

PRAYER REQUESTS One of our most fundamental Christian responsibilities is to pray. There is truly great power in prayer. During this Divine Liturgy and throughout this next week your prayers are requested for: Estelle Bastien, Mary Omartian, Lucy Morton, Steven Omartian, Virginia Donigian, Tracey Jarvis, Shelley Cotton, Diane Boghosian, Jessica Thresher, Alex Velez, Shirley Yergatian, Anne Tom Keegan, Alice Vooris, Susie Arslanian, Lisa Omartian, John Trumbull, Kent Woodard, Susan DerMargosian, Lisa Herrick, Kim Noel, Darlene McKenna, Dr. David Manning, Jr., the Jozokos family, Joan Bazegian, Laura Wormel, Kate Heck, Laura Hynds, Valery Abramyan, Laora Grigoryan, Rebecca Meek, Michael O'Connor, Sara Omartian, Gary Tumasyan, James Omartian, Debbie Manning, Steve Taylor and all those in need of our prayers.

Calendar of Events

November 26, (Thursday) – Thanksgiving

December 9, (Wednesday) – Feast of the Conception of the Holy Virgin Mary



Make a gift to support humanitarian relief to civilians in Artsakh and Armenia

Many of our St. Mark parishioners have been asking how they can help those in Armenia and Artsakh during this extremely difficult time.

Armenia's government is looking to the diaspora for financial as well as moral support. The government has asked that contributions be directed to the Armenia Fund: www.armeniasfund.org. You may also contribute by phone at (800) 888-8897.

As a community effort, St. Mark is collecting relief funds for Artsakh and Armenia. We understand that many parishioners have made donations to Armenia Fund, which is wonderful. Now our parish is organizing donations that we will mail collectively for Artsakh relief.

To make donations to support this effort, please mail a check made out to St. Mark Armenian Church with "Artsakh Relief" in the memo, or visit our website, www.stmarkarmenianchurch.org, to make a donation through PayPal (click "Other" in the dropdown and indicate Artsakh Relief).

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"LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU"



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Welcome to St. Mark Armenian Church

Sunday Bulletin

November 22, 2020

Church Services at 10:00am

Parish Council Greeters:

Andy Fraser

No Coffee Hour

Scripture Reading Luke 12:13-31

The Parable of the Rich Fool



Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an

abundance of possessions.”

And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’

“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I’ll say to myself, ‘You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.’”

“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’

“This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

Do Not Worry

Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?”

“Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.



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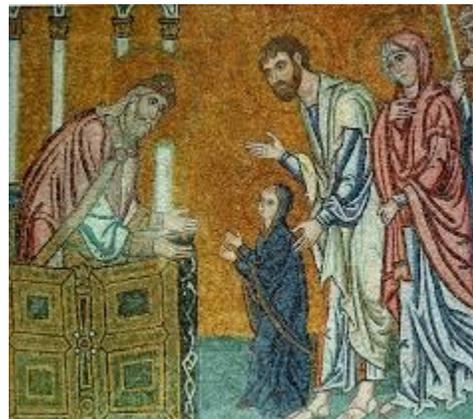
Archbishop Sebouh Chouldjian

Requested by; Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America

**For the souls of our brave soldiers and civilians who
perished during the Artsakh war of liberation**

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Presentation of the Holy Mother of God to the temple (Ընծայումն Ս. Աստվածած)՝



The Feast of the Dedication to the Church of the Holy Virgin is celebrated by all traditional churches on November 21.

According to custom, pious Jewish parents presented their children to the temple at an early age. Mary's parents, Joachim and Anna, brought their youngest daughter to the Temple in Jerusalem to be sanctified by God. According to tradition, Mariam stayed there for some time and was taken care of by the pious widows and daughters living in the temple. Seven years later, Mary got engaged to carpenter Joseph.

We are looking for someone to clean the church beginning as soon as possible. If you know of someone who may be interested in providing janitorial services, please contact Steve Berian at SMPVS@hotmail.com or (413) 304-1093 or David Jermakian at davidjermakian@gmail.com or (413) 727-2586