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YETTEM

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Armenian Church

Yettem, California

Pastoral thoughts

Dear faithful:

The month of September is back which brings back one of the most expectable seasons for lots of our parishioners. Church celebrations are various during summer which we conclude with Annunciation of the Holy Mother of God and with remembrance of Saints and Prophets. Each celebration has a very special message in its kind according to which we devise our Christian understanding and faith.

The month of September always proclaims about the Holy Cross and about its redeeming power. And finally the Cross is our God's selection to show people the way of merits.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross is one of the five major celebrations of the Armenian Church and the message of the Cross is the glorification of our souls through exaltation of it. The latter description with a few words is assuming a huge innermost and spiritual preparedness. Usually we think about salvation of our souls but first of all we need to think to be worthy to that sacrifice which Christ our God committed on the Cross. There is no salvation without sacrifice. The Cross itself is a symbol of deprivations in which we need to emphasize all moral obligations assuming the Christian mission. There is no way for a human being to avoid the way of temptation, because commission of sin is our choice. It is a choice which is always in our mind, in our essences. We need to deserve salvation for our sinful beings.

And Christ our God preached us nothing else but renewal and salvation existing through the Holy Cross.

It is daily, permanent thinking and connectedness with God which forms during times. Salvation comes when you fight against evil which in turn assumes difficulties and hardships in the way of salvation.

With Love of Christ
Rev. Fr. Zaven Markosyan

Parish Notes

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP

**THIS SEPTEMBER 2019 BULLETIN
IS SPONSORED BY
JOHN AND JANET GOMES
IN MEMORY OF JANET'S PARENTS,
GARABED AND ROSE SIMONIAN**

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Yn. Roberta Hairabedian and Family on the recent passing of Archpriest Rev. Fr. Yeghia Hairabedian who entered his eternal rest on August 8, 2019. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

HOKEHANKIST (Repose of Soul) DONATIONS

(June 27, 2019 – August 27, 2019)

For Repose of George Margosian's Soul

● July 28 – Rose Marie Margosian
Darrell, Tina, Karnig and Melina Peters
Serge and Judith Ananian
Jack Boudakian
Evelyn Crowder
The John Kaprielian Family
David and Lisa Krause
Lucille Margosian
Jim and Bea Soxman

For Repose of Souren Sam Farsakian's Soul

● July 28 – Mark, Linda and Ben Wall

For Repose of Armen and Araxie Menendian's Souls

● August 25 – The Menendian Family

HOKEHANKIST REQUESTS

● August 25 – Armen Menendian, fourteen years after his passing and Araxie Menendian, six years after her passing, requested by Laurie, David and Mari Louise Menendian

ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS

● August 18 – Mari Louise Menendian in honor of Asdvadzadzin and all the ladies named Mary
● August 18 – Alice Halbourian, Gladys Zarounian and the Zarounian Family in memory of John and Siranoush Zarounian, Katche Halbourian, Arakel "George" and Hasmig "Jessie" Zarounian
● August 25 – Laurie, David and Mari Louise Menendian in memory of their parents, Armen and Araxie Menendian

Refrigerator & Freezer Replacement Donors

Melvin and Regina Agajanian
Harriet Boghosian
Sandra Choboian
Richard Combs
Margie L. Davidian
Jeanette Ekizian
Sarkis and Hasmik Enfiedjian
Gerard and Sylvia Garoian
Kaye and Judy Kachadoorian
Abe and Sandra Kizirian
Rose Marie Margosian
Tania Martell
Laurie Menendian and Fredric Marrs
Edward and Blanche Parton
Joyce Peloian and Gary McCrea
Basil and Kathleen Perch
James and Beatrice Soxman
Dr. Neshan Tabibian
Mark and Linda Wall

Total amount donated \$6,675.00

The Ways & Means Committee held its annual Asdvadzadzin Bake Sale on August 18th. Profits were \$1,250.00. All proceeds will go to the St. Mary general fund. This could not be possible without the generous donation of time and materials that go into this sale. Special thanks go to all who participated, both as donors of the items for sale, and those who purchased them. Thank you all.

Ladies Society News

It's Ladies Society time again! After our summer hiatus, we are back in full swing in September. We start with our monthly meeting September 7, 11:30 in our hall. I've miss all of you. So, I'm hoping for a fantastic turn-out to enjoy each other's company.

Then the very next day, Sunday September 8, we celebrate Grandparents' Day. With entertainment by the grandchildren and mouth-watering beesheeg, gatnaboor, and all the brunch trimmings, who could miss this event? This year's theme is Western. So, come donning your cowboy hat and boots and join the festivities. It promises to be a darn toot 'in good time!

Sister Churches Luncheon is Saturday, September 21. Featured speaker is Stephanie Booroojian, KSEE 24 News Anchor. Cost is \$15 for the lunch. I plan on attending. If you'd like a ride, please call me at 559-786-1419. I'd be glad to have you accompany me.

Birthday wishes for September goes out to Sadie Derrick, Jeanette Ekizian, and Lillian Safrazian. We wish them all God's blessings. Sadly, we offer our condolences to our sister Ladies Society and church members in Fowler for the sudden passing of Der Yeghia Hairabedian, a pillar in our valley community. His smile and devotion to our church and God will be missed. May he rest in peace.

*With God's love and guidance,
Linda Farsakian-Wall, Chairlady*

Faith of Zion is having a clean-up day on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at St. Mary Yettem.

Ladies Society meeting will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2019 in the Majarian Hall at 11:30 a.m.

Sunday School will resume Sunday, September 8, 2019. Sunday School meets on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 11:00 a.m. during the school year. Sunday School will also meet on the fifth Sunday, September 29, 2019. Welcome all children!

St. Mary Ladies Society Grandparents' Day Brunch will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2019 immediately following church services in the Majarian Hall. (See flyer)

ACYO 4th Annual Bake Sale will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2019 after church services. (See flyer)

Ways and Means Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at Ryan's in Visalia at 6:00 p.m.

Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday September 19, 2019 in the Majarian Hall at 7:00 p.m.

ACYO Regional meeting will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at St. Mary, Yettem at 2:00 p.m.

ACYO 2nd Annual Family Game Night will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 in the Majarian Hall at 5:00 p.m. (See flyer)

Join St. Mary Armenian Church 5th Annual Family Fun Day Organized by Faith of Zion on Sunday, September 29, 2019. (See flyer)

Ladies Society Keshkeg meeting will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2019 in the Majarian Hall at 11:30 a.m.

REMINDER

St. Mary Shish Kabob Luncheon will be held on Sunday, October 6, 2019 at the VISALIA ELKS LODGE from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sponsored by St. Mary Ways and Means Committee. (See flyer)

There will be no services held on Sunday, October 6, 2019 in Yettem. Instead a short prayer service will be held at the Elks Lodge prior to the luncheon.

SAVE THE DATE

2019 Sunrise Service and Campout will be held on Friday, October 11th and Saturday, October 12th on the church grounds. (See flyer)

Armenian Apostolic Church Hymns CD performed by Rev. Fr. Zaven Markosyan is available for distribution and all the donations will go to St. Mary Yettem.

St. Mary Armenian Church, Yettem

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7 Faith of Zion Clean-up Day at St. Mary Yettem Ladies Society meeting in the Majarian Hall. Exec. 11:00/Gen. 11:30 am
8 Barekendan of the Fast of Holy Cross/Feast of the Nativity of the Holy Mother-of-God Sunday School begins Ladies Society Grandparent's Day Brunch after church services ACYO 4 th Annual Bake Sale	9	10 Ways and Means meeting at Ryan's in Visalia at 6:00 pm.	11	12	13	14
15 Exaltation of the Holy Cross	16 Remembrance of the dead	17	18	19 Parish Council meeting in the Majarian Hall at 7:00 pm	20	21 Independence Day of the Republic of Armenia ACYO Regional meeting at St. Mary Yettem at 2:00 pm ACYO 2 nd Annual FGN (Bingo Night) in the Majarian Hall at 5:00 pm
22 Barekendan of the Fast of Holy Cross of Varak Sunday School meets	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Holy Cross of Varak Sunday School meets Faith of Zion Family Fun Day	30					

Sunday Schedule:

Morning Service (Matins) 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy – 10:30 AM
Sunday School - 11:00 AM

Father Zaven can be reached at:

559-528-6892 - Office
559-528-6897 - FAX
818-644-9398 - Cell

ST. MARY ARMENIAN CHURCH YETTEM

SAVE THE DATE

PILGRIMAGE TO ARMENIA

JUNE 2020



For more information call to the church office

(559)528-6892

St. Mary Armenian Church Yettam
Pilgrimage to St. Leon Cathedral of the Western Diocese
Sunday, September 22, 2019

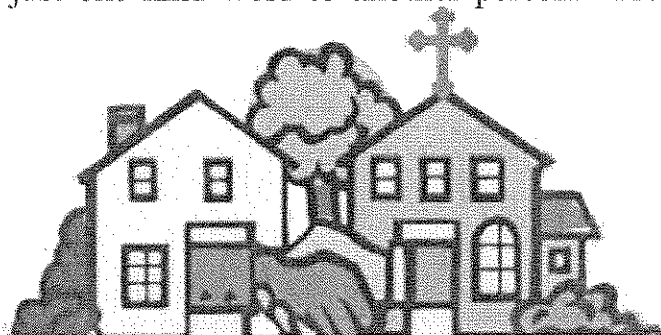


We invite all our parishioners to join us for pilgrimage to
St. Leon Cathedral in Burbank.

A Divine Liturgy will be conducted at the Cathedral, after
we will meet and share our spiritual feelings with clergy
and parishioners.

It's a beautiful day in our
neighborhood!

"Imagine what our real neighborhoods would be like if each of us offered,
as a matter of course, just one kind word to another person." Fred Rogers



Sunday School
resumes this fall!

Sunday, September 8, 2019

First Day of Classes

It will be a school year dedicated to

"Loving your neighbor as yourself!"

Learning to be a good neighbor begins right here at Sunday
school. We invite all children, pre-school aged and older, to
join our thriving classrooms.

Grandparents 'lasso' families together,
so kick up your 'spurs' & Do-si-do to.....

 **'Grandparents' Day'** 

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Immediately following church services in the Majarian Hall

*****Wear your favorite Western Attire*****



☞ **Enjoy a Delicious Brunch**
featuring—Beeshee
and many other specialties ☞



Entertainment to follow from our Sunday School...

****Cost **Adults(\$12)**Child(\$8)****



-To reserve a table or seat(s)-

**Call or Text - Tina Peters 559-967-2593 or
e-mail: hyetinapeters@live.com by September 5.**

RESERVATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED



Celebrate Grandparents...
Everyone Welcome!!!



BAKE SALE!

Sunday September 8th

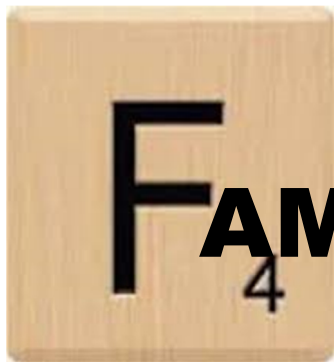
ACYO's Annual Grandparents Day Bake Sale!



Great Variety of Armenian Goodies hand-
made by our *ACYO!*

Donated baked goods are appreciated!

ACYO Presents



FAMILY

Saturday

September 21st



GAME

**5pm in the Church
Hall**



NIGHT

\$10 per Person

**Bring the entire family out for a night of
friendly competition!**

**Games such as Bingo, Scrabble,
Monopoly, Pictionary, and others will be
available to play.**

Dinner and Drinks will be provided.

**Join St. Mary Armenian Church for the
5th Annual Family Fun Day
Organized by Faith of Zion**

September 29, 2019

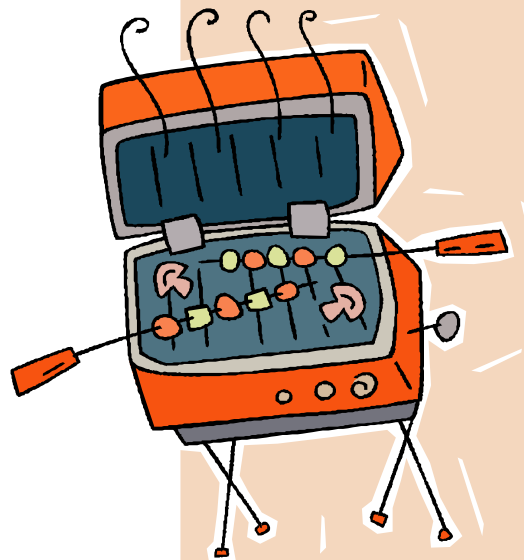
**Church Service starts at 10:30 with
festivities at 11:00 in the church yard**

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Salads, Chips, Desserts,
Drinks (1 included with meal price)

\$12 for adults, \$8 for kids (10 and under)

Enjoy games for the whole family!

We're looking forward to
seeing you there!



St. Mary Armenian Church of Yettam

Shish Kabob

LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019

11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

VISALIA ELKS LODGE

3100 W. Main – just east of County Center Dr.



Ticket Price: \$20

Dine in or Take Out or Drive Thru

Lunch includes: Beef shish-kabob, rice pilaf, salad,
gourmet green beans, peda bread & dessert

Sponsored by St. Mary Ways & Means Committee

St. Mary Armenian Apostolic Church Invites you to the 2019 Sunrise Service and Campout Friday, October 11th – Saturday, October 12th



- Campout on church grounds
- Set up beginning at 5:00 PM
- Bring tents, trailers, RV's
- BBQ Dinner Provided 6:30 p.m.

- Fellowship under the stars



- Rise early and worship together at sunrise



- Breakfast outdoors after services

For more information call: Margie Lynn Davidian at 679-8794

Feast of the Assumption Asdvadzadzin



Blessing of the Grapes



August 18, 2019



St. Mary Armenian Church

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