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*ST. ILLUMINATOR'S ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CATHEDRAL
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FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2013

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ST. ILLUMINATOR CATHEDRAL'S NEWS

The Annual Membership meeting of the St. Illuminator's Armenian Cathedral was held on Sunday, April 7, 2013 at the John Pashalian Hall. A total of 40 dues paying members were in attendance.

Mr. Zaven Vartanian was elected chairman of the Tivan, with Mrs. Arevig Caprielian (Armenian) and Ms. Neiri Amirian (English) as secretaries.

Reports for the year 2012 were presented by Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor, Mr. Viken Najarian, Board of Trustees, Mr. Alex Sarafian and Mr. Setrak Agonian, 219 E. 27th St. Corp., Mrs. Lisa Parnagian and Mrs. Rosita Boiatchian, Ladies Guild and Mr. Zaven Vartanian, Auditing Committee.



Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian and members of the Tivan



Mr. Alex Sarafian presents report of 219 E. 27th St. Corp.



Mr. Sarkis Ohannessian, representative of
Armenian Prelacy Executive Council

S A C R A M E N T S

B A P T I S M

MARIAM BEDIGIAN, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Martin and Lusine Bedigian, was baptized on Sunday, April 7, 2013 at the St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral.

Mr. Larry Peters and Ms. Marine Minasyan were godparents.

We extend our congratulations to the newly baptized Mariam and her parents.



From left to right: Dn. Shant Kazanjian, Larry Peters, Lusine Bedigian, newly baptized Mariam, Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian and Dr. Martin Bedigian

MEET OUR YOUNG TALENTS



Danielle Tcholakian

Danielle Tcholakian is a reporter at Metro New York (the Metro newspaper is New York City's #1 most circulated free daily newspaper with 328,000 copies per day) who covers local news. Prior to working at Metro, Danielle traveled for ten months through Europe, Armenia and the Middle East. She was born and raised in New York City, and graduated from the University of Chicago. Fun fact: Danielle also produces music videos and short documentaries. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jirair and Audrey Tcholakian, and a granddaughter of one of the most dedicated members of our community Mrs. Anais Tcholakian.

Angelina Yegoryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aram and Zara Yegoryan, attends PS 150 as well as St. Illuminator's Sunday and Saturday schools. She is in 1st grade class 1-226. She participated in making a poster about "Curb Your Dog" for her school project to raise awareness in the community about keeping our streets clean. The winning poster would be posted all over the schools and other places. Her poster was among the five finalists.



Angelina Yegoryan with councilmember of District 26 Jimmy Van Bramer



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THIS SUNDAY IS GREEN SUNDAY

Easter Sunday is followed by a period of fifty days (*Hinoonk*) during which there are no fasting days and no saints days. This period from the Resurrection to Pentecost (*Hokekaloost*) is dedicated to the glorification of the Resurrections. Each of the seven Sundays of *Hinoonk* has a special name. Last Sunday, the first Sunday after Easter, was “New Sunday.”

This Sunday, April 14, is “Green Sunday” (*Ganach Giragi*), also known as Sunday of the World Church (*Ashkharhamadoor*). The concept of Green Sunday most probably comes from an ancient folk holiday celebrating spring. Our forefathers, seeing mother earth bloom after long winter months, glorified the Creator with an act of thanksgiving and celebrated by decorating the church and themselves with greenery. The reawakening of nature is also symbolic of the Resurrection. Green is the color of life, freshness and promise. After a barren winter we are filled with hope, life, and love.

Green Sunday is also an appropriate time for us to remember our obligations to be good stewards of the earth and the gifts that have been given to us by God. With this in mind, 20 years ago, on May 12, 1993, the Clergy Conference at the National Representative Assembly that took place at Soorp Khatch Church, Bethesda, Maryland, issued a strong statement on the environment and recommended that every year, “Green Sunday, the second Sunday following Easter, be declared a day when all the members of the Church observe the sanctity of God’s creation and the purity of the environment.”

Armenian Prelacy: “Crossroads”



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ԱԽԵՏԱՐԱՆ ԸՍՏ ՅՈՎՀԱՆՆՈՒ (3:1-8)

Նիկողեմոս անունով Փարիսեցի մարդ մը կար, Հրեայ իշխան մը, որ գիշերով Յիսուսի քով եկաւ եւ ըսաւ անոր.- «Վարդապետ, գիտենք որ դուն Աստուծոյ կողմէ դրկուած ուսուցիչ մըն ես, որովհետեւ ո՛չ ոք կրնայ գործել քու կատարած հրաշքներդ, եթէ Աստուած անոր հետ չըլլայ»: Յիսուս պատասխանեց անոր, - «Լաւ գիտցիր, որ եթէ մէկը վերստին չծնի՝ չի կրնար տեսնել Աստուծոյ արքայութիւնը»: Նիկողեմոս հարցուց անոր. – «Ծեր մարդ մը ի՞նչպէս կրնայ նորէն ծնիլ: Կարելի՞ քան է որ ան կրկին մտնէ իր մօր որովայնը եւ ծնի»: Յիսուս պատասխանեց. – «Հաստատ գիտցիր, որ եթէ մէկը ջուրէն եւ Հոգիէն չծնի, չի կրնար Աստուծոյ արքայութիւնը մտնել, որովհետեւ մարմինէն ծնածը մարմին է, իսկ հոգիէն ծնածը հոգի: Դուն մի՛ զարմանար, որ քեզի ըսի, թէ պէտք է վերստին ծնիք: Հովը ու՛ր որ ուզէ՝ կը փչէ. դուն անոր ձայնը կը լսես, բայց չես գիտեր թէ ուրկէ կու գայ եւ ու՛ր կ'երթայ: Նոյնպէս են բոլոր անոնք, որոնք Հոգիէն կը ծնին»:

ՃՇ. ԸՆԹԵՐՑՈՒՄ

Գործք Առաքելոց 9 : 23 – 31

Ա. Պետրոս 2 : 1-10

GREEN SUNDAY

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (3-1:8)

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit, What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.

BIBLE READINGS

Acts 9 : 23 – 31

1 Peter 2 : 1-10



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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013

Registration: Noon at St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral, 221 E. 27th Street, NYC

Walk begins at 1:00 p.m. Distance: 2 miles (approximately)

PARTICIPATION FEE: \$25

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Tickets (\$25) may be purchased through the box office at 212-247-7800, or through the Prelacy at 212-689-7810.

The Armenian National Committee of New York

will host a talk by

Professor Henry Theriault

Beyond Recognition: Justice for the Armenian Genocide

Friday, April 26, 2013 at 6:30 PM

St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral

221 East 27th Street, New York, NY 10016

The ANC of New York has invited Professor Theriault to launch a campaign that will focus activism, related to the Armenian Genocide, around the themes of reparations and restitution. Join us for what will surely be an exciting “kick-off” of a critical community initiative.

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Badarak and Hokehankist**

12:30 pm

**Walk begins from
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Saturday, May 18, 2013

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Celebrating the year 2013 "The Year of Armenian Mother"



AGENDA

10:00-10:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
10:30-10:45 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks
10:45-12:00 noon	"The Armenian Woman, Leola Sassouni" <i>Guest Speaker: Dr. Chris Sassouni</i> <i>Grandson of Leola Sassouni</i>
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30-3:00 p.m.	"The Women of 1915" <i>Guest Speaker: Unger Bared Maronian</i> <i>Writer/Director/Producer</i> <i>Emmy Award-winner</i>
3:00-4:30 p.m.	Discussion Forum <i>Lead By: ARS Eastern USA Board</i> Closing Remarks

"Information will be forthcoming, about hotel availability and optional dinner".

Registration Information

The program is available to Armenian Relief Society members and friends of the Armenian Relief Society.

Space is limited. Registration is due by May 1, 2013.

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Or email us at arseastus@gmail.com or call ARS Eastern USA office at 617-926-3801.

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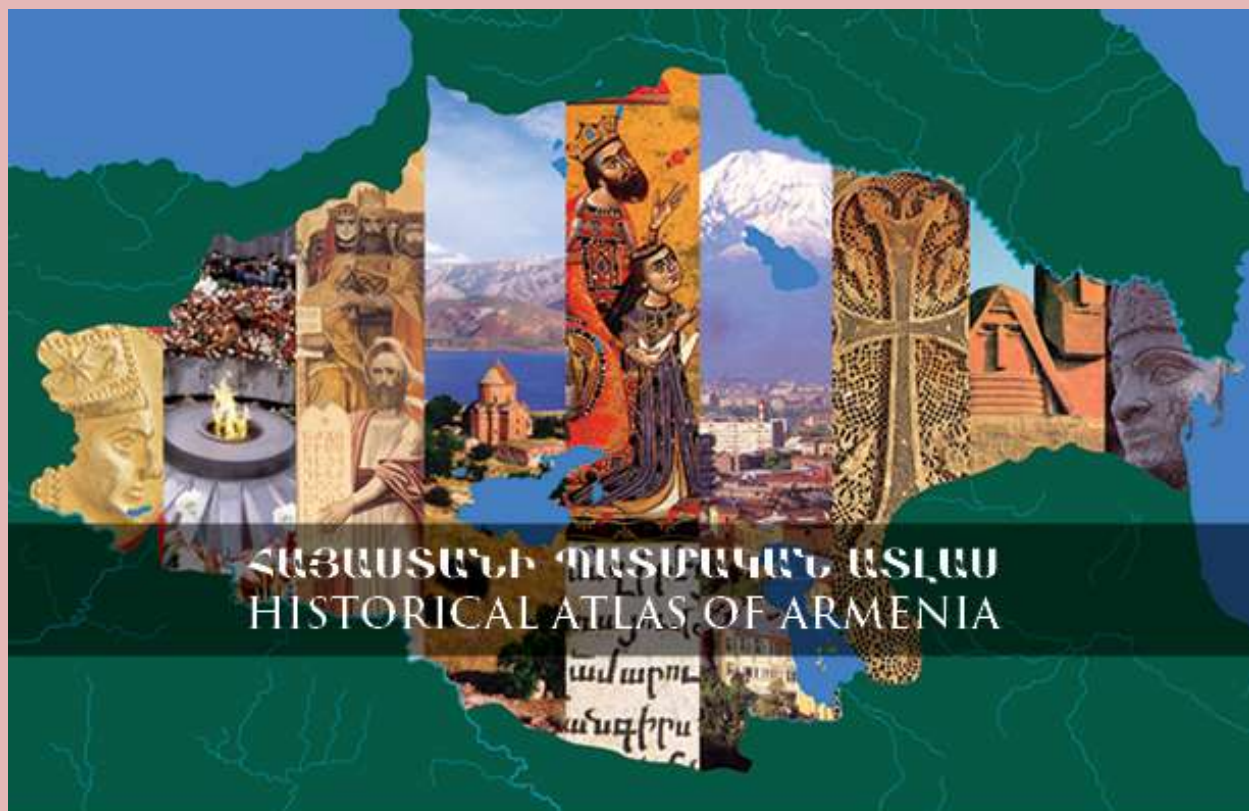
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Saturday, May 18, 2013

From 10am to 4:30pm

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