

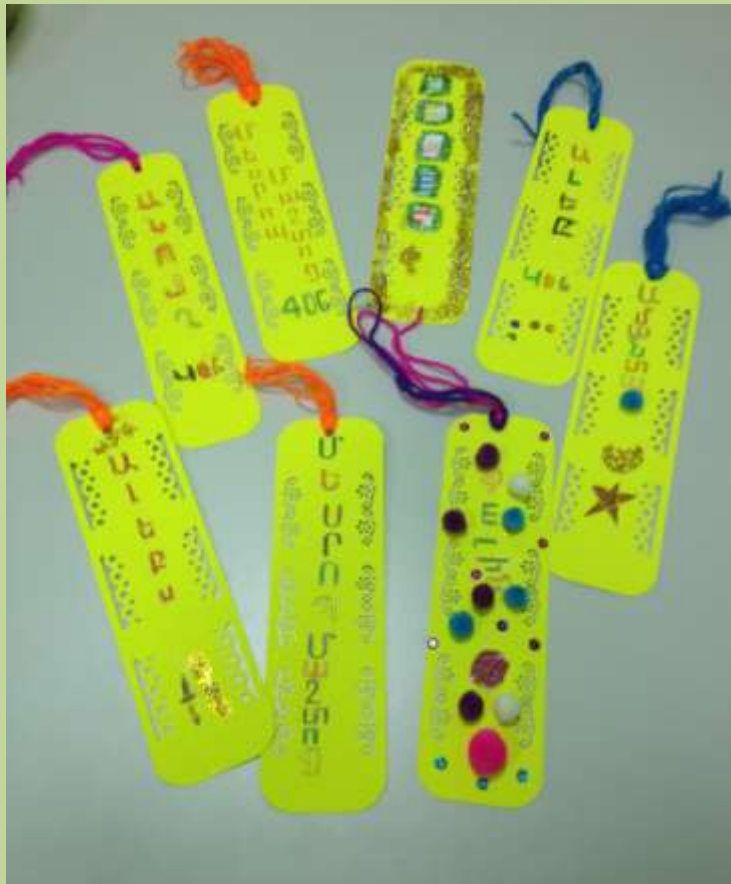
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*ST. ILLUMINATOR'S ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CATHEDRAL  
NEW YORK, NY*

## **E-NEWSLETTER**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013**

**REV. FR. MESROB LAKISSIAN, PASTOR**



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## ST. ILLUMINATOR'S WEEKLY NEWS

### ***DR. HERAND MARKARIAN SPEAKS ABOUT ARMENIAN ALPHABET***

The month of October is known as Cultural Month for all Armenians around the world. During this time Armenian churches and organizations commemorate the Holy Translators who led the Golden Age of Armenian literature in the fifth century.

On Sunday, October 13, St. Illuminator's Cathedral and Hamazkayin Armenian Educational and Cultural Society of New York, sponsored a lecture by Dr. Herand Markarian who spoke about "The Invention of the Armenian Alphabet."

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, parish priest, welcomed the attendees and introduced the speaker, a well-known playwright, poet, and director. His bilingual lecture focused on the political situation in Armenia on the eve of the invention of the alphabet, as well as the life and work of St. Mesrob Mashdotz.



*Dr. Herand Markarian speaks about the Holy Translators*



*Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian*

**REV. FR. MESROB LAKISSIAN AND “HAYER” BAND VISIT NY ARMENIAN HOME**

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, pastor of the St. Illuminator’s Cathedral and members of “Hayer” Band visited NY Armenian Home on Sunday, October 13, 2013. Members of the band entertained the residents, staff and guests with the mixture of Armenian folk and contemporary music.



*From left, Samvel Nersisyan, musical director, Armine Vardanyan, pianist, members of the band, Aghavni Ellian, executive director of the Home, Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, pastor*

# SACRAMENTS



ALESANDRO DANIEL FELICE, son of Mr. & Mrs. George and Lena Felice, was baptized on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at the St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral.

Mr. & Mrs. John and Angela Ohanessian were godparents.

We extend our congratulations to the newly baptized Alesandro and his parents.



*Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Angela Ohanessian, Lena Felice, George Felice with the baby Alesandro, John Ohanessian, Dn. Shant Kazanjian*

## THE HOLY EVANGELISTS

This Saturday, October 19, the Armenian Church commemorates the Holy Evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the authors of the four Gospels.

**Matthew** is the patron of the Church's mission. The Gospel attributed to him closes with the command by Jesus to His disciples and followers to, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

**Mark** had significant influence on the advancement of Christianity. Although the Gospel according to Mark is a narrative of the life of Jesus, theologians consider it to be a handbook of discipleship. The dominant message is that being a Christian is not only believing in Jesus Christ, it is also living according to the example set by Jesus. According to tradition, Mark was the first bishop of Alexandria. One of the most magnificent cathedrals in the world is named after him in Venice, where his relics are kept.

**Luke** is the author of the third Gospel and the Book of Acts. He is considered to be the patron of physicians and artists. The Gospel according to Luke describes Jesus as "the healer of a broken world." Luke is also noted for his concern for the poor, the marginalized, women, and social outcasts. His Gospel does not end with the Resurrection, but rather continues to Pentecost and the eternal presence of Christ in the world. Traditionally he is believed to be one of the Seventy and the unnamed disciple in Emmaus.

**John**, often called the "beloved disciple," is the author of the fourth Gospel and the book of Revelation. He was one of the twelve disciples who remained with Christ, standing in front of the Cross. Jesus entrusted his mother to John's care on the day of the Crucifixion. The best known verse in his Gospel is, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16). According to tradition, John left Jerusalem after attending the first ecumenical council and went to Asia Minor and settled in Ephesus. He was exiled to the island of Patmos where he wrote the book of Revelation.

(Armenian Prelacy – "Crossroads")



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THE YEAR OF THE ARMENIAN MOTHER



«Ընտանիքը միաժամանակ մի դպրոց է նաեւ, ուր մայրը գրեթէ ամէն ինչ է: Այսպիսով մայրը ո՛չ միայն զաւակների սնունդ պատրաստողն է, այլ նաեւ նրանց առաջին դաստիարակը: Իր խօսքով ու քելադրութիւններովը հոգատարն է զաւակների նկարագրի կազմութեան եւ հոգեւոր կրթութեան: Մանուկը իր առաջին տպատրութիւնները մօրից է ստանում եւ նրա ուղղութիւններով է շարժում ու խօսում»:

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*Our mother is someone we love and respect. She is the one person who loves us unconditionally and without any hesitation. She is the person who willingly suffers for us. She is our earthly angel who protects us, teaches us how to live. She is the person who places our hands together and shows us how to pray.*

*Mother – Mayr – is the sweetest sounding word of all. Our insightful Armenian language recognizes the singular importance of the Mother. That is why our Holy Church is called Mayr Yegheghetsi (Mother Church), and our language Mayr Lezou (Mother Tongue).*

Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2013**

***ԽԱՉՎԵՐԱՅԷՆ ԵՏՔ 2. ԿԻՐԱԿԻ***

**ԱՒԵՏԱՐԱՆ ԸՍՏ ԴՈՒԿԱՍՈՒ (4:14-23)**

Յիսուս Գալիլիա վերադարձաւ Սուրբ Հոգիին զօրութեամբ, եւ ամբողջ գաւառին մէջ իր համբարը տարածուեցաւ: Անոնց ժողովարաններուն մէջ կ'նստուցանէր՝ արժանանալով բոլորին հիացումին ու գովասանքին: Եկաւ Նազարէթ քաղաքը, ուր մեծցած էր, եւ իր սովորութեան համաձայն Շաբաթ օր ժողովարան գնաց: Երբ ոտքի ելաւ կարդալու համար օրուան ընթերցուածը, իրեն տուին Եսայի մարգարէին գիրքը: Բացաւ եւ գտաւ այն տեղը ուր կ'ըսէր.- «Տիրոջ Հոգին վրաս է. որովհետեւ զիս օծեց եւ դրկեց՝ աղքատներուն փրկութեան աւետիս տալու, սրտաբեկները մխիթարելու, գերիներուն ազատութիւն բերելու, կոյրներուն աչքերը բանալու, հարստահարուածները ազատելու եւ յայտարարելու՝ թէ ահա հասած է ժամանակը, երբ Տէրը պիտի փրկէ իր ժողովուրդը»: Ապա գոցեց գիրքը, տուաւ պաշտօնեային եւ նստաւ: Ժողովարանին մէջ գտնուողներուն բոլորին աչքերը իրեն սեւեռած էին, երբ ըսաւ.- Այս մարգարէութիւնը որ դուք լսեցիք, ահա այսօր իրականացաւ: Անէնքն ալ տպաւորուած էին իրմէ եւ հիանալով անոր շնորհալի խօսքերուն վրայ՝ կ'ըսէին. Այս մարդը Յովսէփի որդին չէ՞: Յիսուս ըսաւ. - Անտարակոյս ինձի պիտի ըսէք հետեւեալ առածը. « Բժիշկ, դուն քեզ բժշկէ»: Եւ ինչ որ լսեցիք որ գործեր եւ Կափառնաումի մէջ, այստեղ՝ քու հայրենի գաւառիդ մէջ ալ կատարէ:

**ՃՇ. ԸՆԹԵՐՅՈՒՄ**

**Ես. 20 : 2 - 21.6**

**Գղ. 4 : 3-18**

***SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS***

**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (4:14-23)**

Then Jesus filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them: “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Doctor, cure yourself!” And you will say, “Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.”

***BIBLE READINGS***

**Is. 20 : 2 - 21.6 Gal. 4 : 3-18**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2013

**Requested by:**

Mrs. Arpine Tavitian  
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Tavitian and children Christian and Daniel  
Mr. William Tavitian  
Ms. Maria Tavitian  
Mr. & Mrs. Sarkis and Vartouhi Guedoyan  
In memory of their beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother  
**KALOUST TAVITIAN – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary**

**Requested by:**

The Dilakian Family  
In memory of their beloved mother  
**ALMA SHAHINYAN – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary**  
In memory of their beloved father and aunt  
**TATUL DILAKIAN**  
**VANOUI DILAKIAN**  
Also in memory of deceased members of  
**DILAKIAN, SHAHINYAN and ANIEV families**

**Requested by:**

Mr. George Bezdikian  
Mr. Robert Bezdikian  
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry and Debbie Bezdikian  
In memory of their beloved wife and mother  
**ANGEL BEZDIKIAN – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary**  
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**KHACHIG & NOYEMZAR BEZDIKIAN**

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Mrs. Angela Gilanian  
In memory of her beloved husband  
**RUBEN GILANIAN**

**Requested by:**

Mrs. Karen Bedrosian Richardson  
In memory of her beloved husband  
**SAMUEL L. RICHARDSON, Jr.**  
Also in memory of  
**GLADYS & SAMUEL, Sr. RICHARDSON**



**CATHEDRAL'S MAIL BOX – ՆԱՍՍԱԿԱՆԻ**



October 12, 2013

St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral  
221 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10016

Dear Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian,

Because of Good-Hearted people like you, this world is a nicer place.  
I hope all the good you do comes back to you!

Thank you so much!  
Love,  
Felice Family

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Dear Fr. Mesrob Lakissian,

Thank you for being part of our wedding! It meant so much to me and Yevgeny!  
We hope to continue to stay in touch with you in the future! And also I would love to put together  
a concert and play at the church!

Thank you!  
Serpouhi Cecee Pantikian

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Dear Father Lakissian

I would like to thank you again for marrying Mark and me. It was a dream of a ceremony.  
I was proud to celebrate my religion and culture with Mark's Brazilian side. They were all in awe of the beauty  
of the Armenian ceremony.

Sincerely,  
Meline Hovnanian



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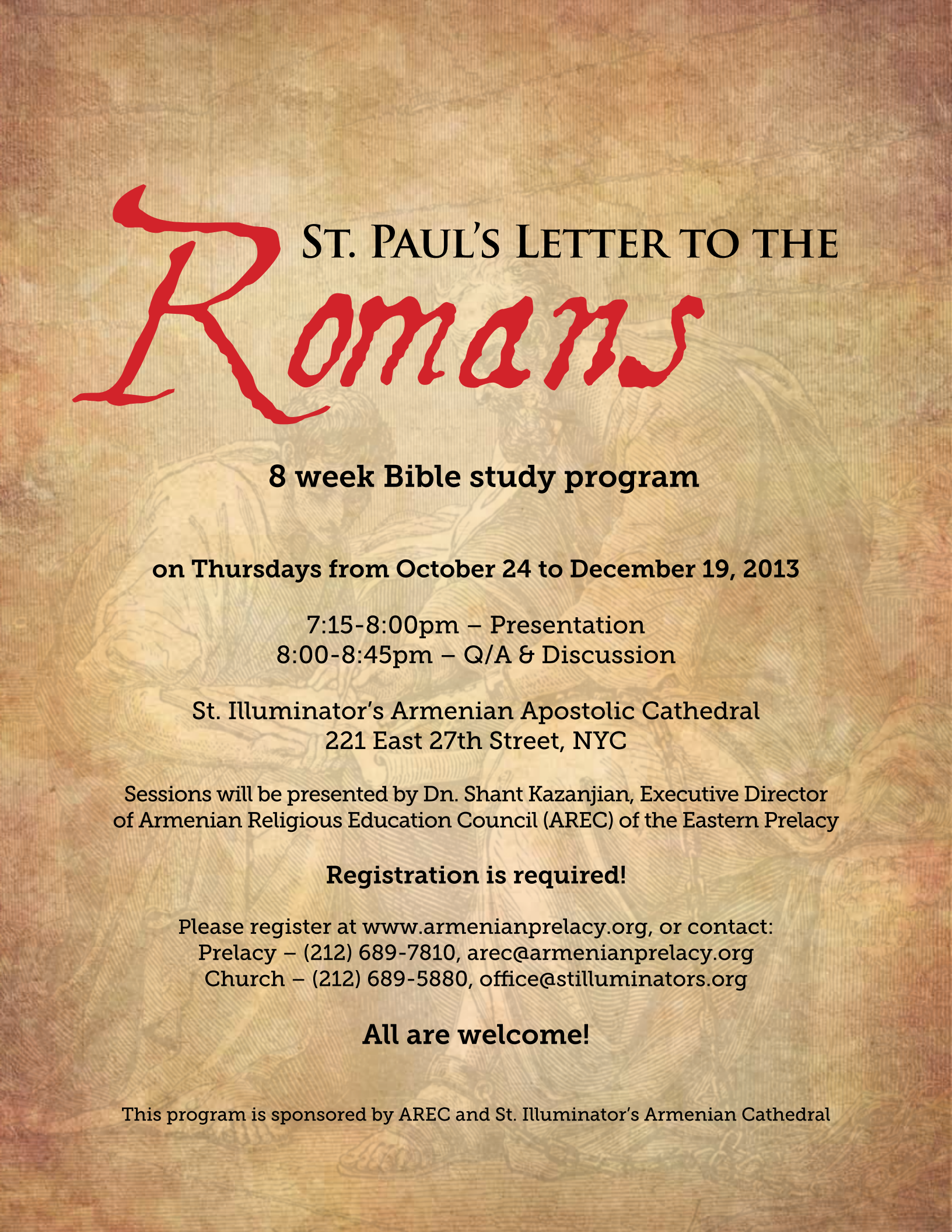
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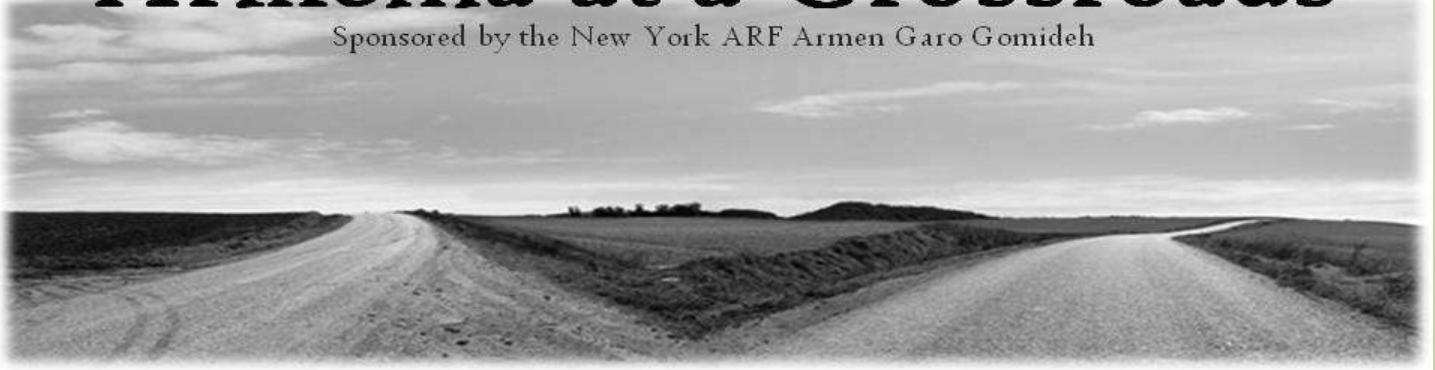
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**Year of the Mother of  
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**Sunday, November 17, 2013  
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**His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan**  
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*Sunday, November 24, 2013 at 1:00pm*

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**Organized by St. Illuminator Cathedral’s Ladies Guild**

*Sunday, December 8, 2013*

**THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PASSING OF ARCHBISHOP MESROB ASHJIAN, the former Prelate of the Eastern Prelacy, will be marked with a solemn Requiem Service and Dedication program.**

**Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan, Prelate, will officiate during the Divine Liturgy and Requiem Service at the St. Illuminator’s Cathedral.**