

THE ENLIGHTENER



Armenian Church of The Holy Translators

Rev. Fr. Krikor A. Sabounjian, Pastor

News from the Armenian Church of the Holy Translators

Where Faith, Family, and Fellowship Meet

March 2007



A Christmas Gift
2006 Christmas Pageant

A Message from Our Pastor

The following was part of the Pastor's Report
presented at the Annual Parish Assembly on Sunday, January, 28, 2007.

The State of the Parish

The year 2006 was one of laying a foundation for real spiritual growth in our Parish. I had designated and I dedicated my ministry for 2006 as "the year of exploring a personal relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." We developed programming, focused on our personal walk with Christ, throughout the year. We began the year by completing the Alpha Course; a basic Christianity 101 course, designed for lay people to come to a personal relationship with our Lord. We followed that with a series taken from the book, "So you want to be like Christ," by Charles Swindoll and completed the year with a series called "Nooma." This series took various Christian themes relating to our daily lives as catalyst for sharing and exploring our own spirituality. We also laid the groundwork for a Lay Ministry Team designed to help me establish various ways we can individually, and as a parish, build our relationship with Christ. If we are to be Christians, it is not enough to be a good person, or to love others or to be charitable, etc. Being a Christian first and foremost is accepting Jesus as the Christ – the Lord and Savior – the Son of the living God. We will continue to create opportunities for each of us to participate in the exploration and creation of that personal relationship with our Lord.

This year has been designated by our Primate, Abp. Khajag Barsamian as the year of "Church and Home – One in Spirit." If the Church is to be significant in the lives of her people, it must provide for them a faith experience that speaks to their day to day lives. The Church needs to be the beacon, guiding the way to a life of significance, purpose and true meaning. If what we do on Sunday mornings has nothing to do with what we do or who we are from Monday to Saturday, then Sunday mornings have no value and become an exercise in futility. They become a nostalgic exercise of holding on to the past, but do nothing to guide us through the present. However, the Church is only one piece to the puzzle. Our experience at home must also reflect and compliment the experience at Church. Many of us are fortunate to have memories of our Grandparents who held the traditions of the Church seriously and brought them into the home. I will share some of mine to make my point. My grandparents would never eat a meal before praying. They valued the importance of family and community. Often I would enter the homes of either Grandmother to see them sitting in the living room reading Scripture. I remember that my maternal Grandfather would not eat a grape until after they were blessed during the Feast of the Assumption in August. Each year, special candles were brought home from Church to family members on the occasion of their name day. There are many other such memories and I am sure that you also can recall your own. However, the underlying common denominator for all of our memories of that generation is that they defined their lives through their faith experience in their Church. The Church provided for them a faith experience that spoke to their day to day lives and their day to day lives reflected that reality.

This year we will explore ways in which our Church speaks to us today. We will begin with the Divine Liturgy. On Wednesday Evenings we will have bible study/discussions of the significance of the Badarak to our day to day lives. We will challenge ourselves to create an experience in our homes that reflects and compliments our Sunday morning experience. We will further develop the Lay Ministry Team. After hearing from you through the efforts of the Lay Ministry Team's roundtable discussions and the one on one dialogues, we will try to develop new initiatives that will speak to our specific spiritual needs and be sensitive to the challenges of our lives today in the United States.

The possibilities are tremendous if we work together. But, to begin our journey, we need to do our part. It is said, "Never ask God to help you walk, if you're not willing to take a step." We need to take the "step" to develop our personal relationship with Jesus and bring that relationship into the experience of our daily lives and into our homes. It will be difficult. It will also be quite inconvenient at times. But, I can say unequivocally, that this will be extremely rewarding.

I leave you with this one question: Our grandparents left us with significant spiritual memories. What memories are we going to leave our children and grandchildren?

Let us all, as one family, trusting in the power of God's love, come to know our Lord personally, so that we can exemplify His words in all we do when He said, "***You are the light of the world. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.***"

God Bless you all and God Bless the Armenian Church of The Holy Translators.

Prayerfully,

Rev. Fr. Krikor A. Sabounjian

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Armenian Church of The Holy Translators – 2006 Parish Assembly Parish Council Chairman’s Report for 2006

January 28, 2007

During this last year, our parish has continued to mature. Much of that is good. Let me first begin with the acknowledgment that this parish is fortunate to have among its members extremely talented and dedicated individuals, a core of which have guided our church from its beginning. We are very thankful that more and more efforts and sincere interest have come from a wider array of parishioners.

This year, the Armenian Church of the Holy Translators has continued to make true its tag line of “*Where Faith, Family, and Fellowship Meet*”. We have developed a unique culture, something that we sometimes take for granted, but is always witnessed by newcomers. We are fortunate that we have a clergyman, Der Krikor, who is focused on the needs of his parish especially the youth; and Yn. LuAnn who is always there for our membership.

Our small parish maintains strong core organizations that focus on the benefit of its members . . . Sunday School, Armenian School, Preteen Group, and ACYOA Jrs. These organizations sponsor key events throughout the year that our parish has grown to cherish: Armenian Christmas Eve, Poon Paregentan, Maundy Thursday, Armenian Iron Chef, and Pot Luck Thanksgiving Dinner. Our youth participates in diocesan programs in strong numbers: St Vartan Camp, St Nersess Deacon’s training, Alternative Spring Break, Lenten retreats, and ACYOA Jr. Sports weekends.

Financially, the parish is in a good position because of your strong support. This is the first year we met our Stewardship goal. Our fund raising events were well run and profitable. We thank both the leadership and the committee’s of the Golf Tournament, Church Picnic, Wine Tasting, and Bake Sale. We have also reduced our expenses through individual volunteers who work behind the scenes including the following tasks: administrative, communication, website, and maintenance. We have also reduced expenses through financial contributors with their in-kind donations. In 2006, we continued the pay down of our mortgage with the pledge payments of our Capital Campaign. And we have developed proposals for this Assembly’s review and approval to maintain our financial discipline.

Your parish is a dynamic organization that needs to keep on the task of continuous improvement, challenging the conventional, and finding ways to enrich the lives of our membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Karnig H. Durgarian, Jr.
Parish Council Chair

Parish Council 2006

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2007 Annual Parish Assembly

The Armenian Church of the Holy Translators brought to order its Annual Parish Assembly meeting on January 28, 2007 at 12:20PM. Sixty three (63) of the 135 church members were in attendance for the Parish Assembly providing a quorum. Stepan Piligian was elected Assembly Chairman and Russ Ohanian was elected Assembly Secretary. The following members were elected to a two year term on the Parish Council: Scott Aghababian, Jeff Masoian, Russ Ohanian, Stepan Piligian and Reine Sayegh. The Alternate is Robin Palombo. The new members will join the existing council members; Baykar Dervishian, Mark Kashgegian, Dan Merian and Lisa Zeytoonian. Nancy Barsamian, Laurie Bejoian and Michael Zeytoonian were elected to the Nominating Committee for a term of one year. The Alternate is Gevorg Voskanian. Karnig Durgarian was elected to the Auditing committee for a three year term. The Alternate is Jirair Balayan. Karnig Durgarian will join Susan Ciaffi and Diana Harotian on the Auditing Committee. Reports were presented by the Pastor, Parish Council, Armenian School, Sunday School, ACYOA Jrs., the 8-12 Year Old Youth Group and the Auditing Committee. A permanent restricted fund: "*The Dirahayr Toros and Diramayr Helen Sabounjian Youth Religious Programming and Training Fund*" was created (through their in lieu of flower funeral proceeds) to be used for the enrichment and education of the youth of the Armenian Church of the Holy Translators.

The 2006 Parish Assembly was adjourned at 2:15PM.

The Lay Ministry Team Motivated to Bring Christ into Our Lives

Do you have Christ in your life? Do you want Christ in your life? Are you unsure of how to begin your walk with Christ? Or has your walk with Christ become more of a struggle, then a relished journey? The Lay Ministry Team of the Armenian Church of the Holy Translators, recently appointed by Der Krikor, is in the process of trying to help establish various ways we can as individuals, and as a parish, build or strengthen our relationship with Christ. Our main goal is to create opportunities for all our parishioners, no matter where they may find themselves spiritually at the present, to participate in various Christian programming, based on their input and ideas.

The Lay Ministry Team, consisting of Stepan Piligian, Renee Ferraro, Michael Zeytoonian and Nanar Meguerian, is extremely committed and motivated to start the process of focusing on what our parishioners need and want from our church, to help foster this most treasured and enriching of relationships. Our initial step consisted of a brief questionnaire (see full questionnaire below) directed to all of our parishioners, which was discussed in further detail at round-table group discussions with us. The goal of the questionnaire is to better understand what our parishioners feel they need to fulfill their lives spiritually and what we, as a parish can do to help facilitate that goal. Your thoughts and ideas will allow us to plan and implement future programming geared towards your needs and your spiritual level. It will give us an insight as to what is important to you, what type of programming you would be interested in, how we can make it accessible to all, and to give us an idea of what is needed to help each other be one with Christ. Due to the great success we have had with the Wednesday Night Discussion Groups as the beginning steps to bringing Christian religious programming to our church, we believe that we can build on those and make the programming stronger, more detailed, more efficient and more focused.

In advance, we would like to thank you all for your utmost patience and time to better serve you in our Christian Faith. If you were unable to attend the round-table discussions (January 17th, January 20th, January 21st, January 22nd), we encourage you to contact the Lay Ministry Team to share your thoughts and ideas with us.

Lay Ministry Questionnaire

1. Would you be willing to share one or some of the most meaningful spiritual experiences that you have participated in?
2. Can you describe one way that this particular parish may have helped you deepen your relationship to Christ?
3. What would be some beneficial programming we could offer (in order of importance)?
4. What are the biggest obstacles in your ability to participate in our parish's activities? (i.e. child care, distance, time, scheduling)
5. Anything else you care to share?

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the Power of the Holy Spirit" Romans 15:13

Sunday School Enlightener Article

Our Sunday School ushered in the Holiday Season with their Christmas Pageant on December 17th. This year we chose a new format to describe the symbols of Christmas in “The Christmas Gift”. Each piece of a traditional Nativity Scene was explained and experienced in a “live” tableau. Our soloists and children’s choir did us proud in their beautiful rendering of some classic Christmas Carols. We would like to thank in particular, Yerezgin LuAnn for her support, direction of the choir and encouragement throughout the rehearsals and the performance. Sunday School Teachers and Parents were so gracious in their efforts to make the Pageant special as well as their contributions to the wonderful reception enjoyed by all.

Beginning in January, the focus of the Sunday School Curriculum moves to the New Testament and the Life of Christ. As always, we encourage our students and parents to share their “walk” with Christ through discussions of the Sunday School lessons as well as through discussions of life issues.

Our Diocesan Lenten Program has been announced and this year the Lenten Drive will benefit two charities – Emergency Relief to Genocide Survivors of Darfur, Sudan as distributed by World Vision and SMILE – FAR’s new program to provide surgeries and medical support for children in Armenia with deformities (cleft palate and other birth defects).

The Sunday School has been working on the establishment of a Pen/Pal Service Program with an orphanage in Armenia. Nancy Barsamian has spearheaded this program which will be unveiled soon.

The Sunday School has also established a Junior Choir which will be rehearsing once a month during the Sunday School music assemblies. Yerezgin LuAnn has graciously volunteered to work with these wonderful new voices. Diana Harotian has also graciously volunteered to conduct the Music Assemblies for all the Sunday School students. Students are learning to sing the sharagans sung during the Badarak and are also receiving instruction on the meaning of each sharagan.

Joint Programs and Activities with the Armenian School have continued with the Halloween Party; Thanksgiving Pot-Luck and Christmas Pageant. We look forward to many more activities with the Armenian School and thank them for their continued support.

Dates to Remember

Lenten Drive begins Monday, February 19, 2007

Music Assemblies/Junior Choir Rehearsals: March 18th; April 15th and May 13th

Graduation/Promotion Day: June 10th



Armenian School Off to a Wonderful School Year

It is with great pride and joy that we share with you the progress of the Armenian school of the Holy Translators. We have had a very productive first half, made possible by our very enthusiastic and energetic students, dedicated and motivated teachers, and most importantly our very supportive parents!

We believe that part of the success of this year has been the implementation of Armenian Language Emersion in all three classes. All of our students are exposed to hearing one full hour of Armenian during class, with little to minimal use of the English language. In addition, all the students have learned to recognize, sound out, and write many of the letters of the Armenian Alphabet. This is truly one of the first steps to language appreciation and comprehension and allows for us to lay the foundation for future Armenian studies for our students. We have also incorporated Armenian History into the curriculum to allow the students to learn about where they came from and to regard and understand the beauty of our past. Stepan Piligian has generously offered his time as a guest history teacher to provide our students with an overview of our rich 2000+ year history. It is truly amazing to see all of our students being able to recognize the Armenian map and know many interesting facts about our homeland and be genuinely interested in their heritage and culture.

Beyond the classroom, The Armenian School, along with the Sunday School, has been very active in the church as well by co-sponsoring some very successful community events including the ever popular Children's Halloween Party, the Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner, and the Christmas Celebration.

Our planning of activities enthusiastically continues well into the Spring. Some of our upcoming events include Iron Chef Armenia, the Sequel (Saturday April 28th, 2007), and the Armenian School Promotion Day/Hantes (Sunday, May 20, 2007). As always, we look forward to the parishes' support in helping make these activities very successful church-wide events.

We are always in need of volunteers! If any parent or parishioner is interested in teaching, assisting or guest lecturing our enthusiastic Armenian school students, please contact Seta Abrahamian at seta.abrahamian@siemens.com or call 508-545-2727.

Iron Chef Armenia Night, the Sequel – Don't Miss Out!

For those of you who were not able to attend our First Annual Iron Chef Armenia night, you missed out on quite an event: 12 stations of food manned by "Iron Chefs" from our parish with live cooking demonstrations and tasting of exquisite delicacies all night long. We also had a silent auction and vendor tables to tempt your wallets too! Don't miss our Sequel Event, so mark your calendars for Saturday, April 28th! It will sell out fast!

Calling all Iron Chefs! If you have a tasty recipe that you want to share with the parish and want to be part of our next Iron Chef Extravaganza, please contact Seta Abrahamian at seta.abrahamian@siemens.com or call 508-545-2727.



In December our ACYOA was once again responsible for the “Christmas Giving Tree”. Through the department of Social Services and help from Mrs. Palombo, we agreed to help fifty children in the MetroWest area who are less fortunate by giving them Christmas presents and Holiday Hope! Once again our parish came through and every child on our list received a great present of sorts. With the help and support of our parish, our goal was accomplished. Our ACYOA alone took two children into our arms to supply with gifts. We chose a five-year-old boy and four-year-old girl. Thanks again to our church family for helping us support these children in the MetroWest area by making their holiday season a memorable one.

We would also like to thank the parish for supporting our fundraiser of Lehi Mills mixes with which we raised \$350.00. We hope that they are as delicious as they sound!

The ACYOA also baby-sat during the annual assembly on January 28th. Movies, lunch and a whole lot of kids..... “We can’t wait to do this again next year!!!!”

The ACYOA once again hosted Poon Paregentan this year on February 18th. The theme for this day was “Pie Day”. We had a Fellowship of Pies - apple, pumpkin, custard, blueberry, rhubarb and more. We had a pie eating contest, musical chairs, make your own pizza “Pie” for lunch, and many other fun surprises. We were happy to see everyone enjoy themselves.



The ACYOA is also planning our annual Ski Trip North for early March. An event not to be missed, so start getting your ski equipment out and fluffing up those ski jackets. Also, March 9 to 11 is the New England Regional Lenten Retreat in New Hampshire.

The ACYOA youth group meets on the first & third Sundays of each month. The first Sunday of the month is our Business Meeting and is usually held at the church right after Badarak. The third Sunday is our class/discussion in a host family’s home. If you would like to host our group in your home, please see Mr. Hyde. We have many dates open and you do not need to have a child in the ACYOA.

Thank you again for all of your help and support.
~Andrea Durgarian & Dannielle Seifel

The Next ACYOA New England Regional Retreat is scheduled for March 9 to March 11. This is an inspiring week-end full of fun, laughter, friends and Christ!! Those interested in attending should see Der Krikor or Mr. Hyde.

Your ACYOA Is There For You!

The Armenian Church of the Holy Translators is more than just a church to the ACYOA. It is a place we feel safe and at home. The people at our church are more than just parishioners. You are our family. We look to you for support, advice and as our role models. Please consider us “Your Children”. You help support us and now we hope you will let us help and support you. We would like to take this opportunity to assist our Holy Translator parishioners who need our help around their homes. We know there are small jobs you just can’t do yourself, maybe we can. Whether it is taking an air-conditioner out of a window, replacing a filter in your furnace, painting a room, moving a couch or cutting down a branch in your yard. Please drop us a note or send an email to Mr. Hyde at Jeffreyhyde@comcast.net Understanding we can not help everyone nor can we do just any job, if you send a note with what you need help with, maybe we can.

Recently ACYOA’s Jeffrey Hyde and his dad Jeff Hyde went to a home of a member of our church to do a small task. While there, several other small jobs were noticed that needed immediate attention. A broken drain pipe and leaves in a gutter could have caused serious problems if unattended. They left feeling wonderful knowing that they helped someone they knew in our own church community. Did it take very long? No, under a half hour and they made it home in time for the Patriot’s kick off, but they made a world of difference to one of our own. There are a lot of volunteer opportunities available to us that we feel good about but don’t always get the first hand great feeling from. Donating a check or sending a turkey are all great ways to help our community, but actually doing something to make someone’s day and seeing the results are the most rewarding feelings.

So again, see Mr. Hyde or send an email with any small job you need help with. If we can do it, we will do our very best and please understand if we can’t. Your ACYOA is there for you!

Raffle Fundraising

On behalf of Der Krikor and the Parish Council we would like to thank everyone of the Armenain Church of the Holy Translators members and supporters for joining us this past year in a new fundraising endeavor for the benefit of our parish. We started this \$100.00 raffle fundraising in the Fall of 2006 and sold 124 tickets at \$100.00 each and raised \$4,900.00 This was a great success and we could not succeed without your support and sucrifices. The drawing took place on Sunday February 18, 2007 during our Poon Paregentan celebration.

The winners are:

First prize: Susan Ciaffi \$5,000.00

Second prize: Sam & Ann Avakian \$1,500.00

Third prize: Elise Durgarian \$500.00

Fourth prize: Antranig & Sonia Sahagian \$500.00

St. Nersess Summer Study Conferences

Post High School A: June 11 - 16, 2007

Deacons' Training and Liturgical Music: June 25 - July 3, 2007

High School A: July 6 - 14, 2007

High School B: July 17 - 25, 2007

High School C: July 28 - August 5, 2007

Junior High School: August 7 - 11, 2007

Post High School B: August 13 - 19, 2007

St. Vartan Camp Schedule

Session A1: June 24 - 30, 2007

Session A2: July 1 - 7, 2007

Session B1: July 8 - 14, 2007

Session B2: July 15 - 21, 2007

Session C1: July 22 - 28, 2007

Session C2: July 29 - August 4, 2007

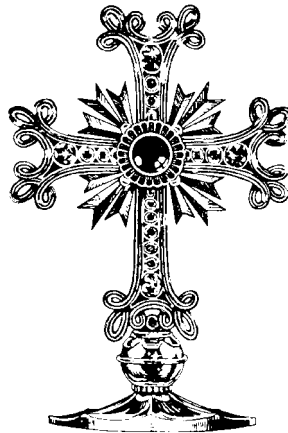
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Holy Week Schedule

- Sunday, April 1** **Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am**
- Thursday, April 5** **Holy Thursday**
Passover Meal, Washing of the Feet Service
Betrayal and Passion of Christ Service begins at 6:00 pm
- Friday, April 6** **Good Friday**
Crucifixion Service at NOON
- Burial Service at 7:30 pm*
(All Night Vigil/Reading of the Psalms following Burial Service)
- Saturday, April 7** **Reading of the Prophecies at 4:00 pm**
- Easter Eve Divine Liturgy at 5:00 pm**
- Sunday, April 8** **Easter Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am**



Easter “Yughakin” Donation

Enclosed within this newsletter is an envelope for your Easter Offering (Yughakin).

The **Yughakin Offering** is a special donation made twice a year at Christmas & Easter to help defray the operational costs of our Parish. “Yughakin” literally was the “*price for the oil*” used to light the lamps of the Church. Though we no longer need oil for that purpose, the cost for energy keeps rising and we still have many operational costs. This offering made during these two feasts is another way for us to show our commitment to this most worthy cause. During this Easter Season, let us remember our Church with a special gift. We need your continued support.

Youth Group Movie Night

On Friday evening, November 16th the Youth Group met for their 2nd annual movie night. They arrived in their pajamas and brought along their favorite blanket and pillow. We started the night off with pizza and drinks.

The children all got comfortable on the floor with their pillows and blankets. In order to get everyone ready for the upcoming holiday season we watched the movie, "ELF". Popcorn, candy and cookies were just the right mix as they settled in to watch the movie of the night.

I am pleased to say that we had thirteen children from the 8 to 12 year old group join us for the November activity.

On Friday evening, January 26th, the Youth Group held a Game Night as their first activity of the New Year. As always, our nights included pizza, drinks, chips, sweets and for this evening a nice bowl of ice cream.

Our Game Night took place on one of the coldest nights of the season. Fighting the wind and cold weather of a mere 9 degrees we had a good turnout for our evening.

Many game boards were set up throughout the fellowship hall. For the many girls who showed up for this evening we had nail polish and make-up set up for them which turned out to be a big hit. Games, dancing, talking and just a lot of laughing made up this evening.

I would like to thank the parents for battling the cold weather and bringing your children to be with their Armenian friends. Also, a special thank you to Knar Manoli and Susan Hamilton for helping me with the children.

Thanks to all the parents for their continued support as we try to bring this group of children together on a monthly basis.



Armenian Christmas Eve Dinner, January 5, 2007



Armenian School & Sunday School Christmas Party



Holy Translators Calendar

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRANSLATORS 2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 1	Parish Council - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
March 2 - 4	Diocesan Youth Leadership Conference - Stony Point, NY ACYOA Jr. Ski Weekend
March 4	Sunday School Teacher's meeting
March 7	Wed. Evening Discussion Group - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
March 9 - 11	ACYOA Jr. Retreat - Contoocook, NY
March 14	Wed. Evening Discussion Group - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
March 18	ACYOA Jr. Meeting – 6:00 PM – Location TBA
March 21	Wed. Evening Discussion Group - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
March 28	Wed. Evening Discussion Group - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
April 1	Palm Sunday ACYOA Jr. Meeting – 12:00 Noon - Conference Room
April 5	Passover Meal, Washing of the Feet & Betrayal Service
April 6	Good Friday Service & All Night Vigil
April 7	Holy Saturday Service & Badarak
April 8	Easter Sunday No Sunday School & Armenian School
April 12	Parish Council - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
April 20 - 22	Ararat Center Work Weekend
April 24	Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day
April 28	Iron Chef, The Sequel – Fellowship Hall - 6:00 PM
April 29	Sunday School Teacher's Meeting
April 30 – May 2	Clergy Conference – Chelmsford, MA
May 3 – 6	Diocesan Assembly – Chelmsford, MA
May 6	ACYOA Jr. – Walk for Hunger
May 10	Parish Council - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
May 13	Mother's Day
May 20	Armenian School Promotion Day & Hantes ACYOA Jr. Meeting – 6:00 PM – Location TBA
May 23 – 25	ACYOA Sr. General Assembly – Detroit, MI
May 25 – 28	ACYOA Sr. Sports Weekend – Detroit, MI
May 25 – 28	ACYOA Jr. Hye Mrtzoom– Watertown, MA
May 27	Pentecost
June 7	Parish Council - Fellowship Hall - 7:00PM
June 10	Feast of Holy Ecthmiazin Sunday School Promotion & Graduation Day
June 11	Golf Tournament
June 17	Father's Day

Sacraments

Christenings

November 11, 2006

Paul Stephen Stepanian **Parents:** Paul & Julie Stepanian
Godparents: Rev. Fr. Aram & Yeretzgin Margaret Stepanian

November 18, 2006

Stephanie Ann DerAnanian **Parents:** Paul & Jennifer DerAnanian
Godparents: Jason Foley and Christine Bell

Thank You

Our Church is very fortunate and blessed to have so many parishioners who give of themselves, their time and energy. As we all know, it takes each of us with all of our talents and gifts to help our church family grow and prosper.

Thank you to all those kind and generous individuals and families who have donated flowers and candles to adorn our altar on Sundays. The Church is especially grateful for the wonderful fellowships that we enjoy every Sunday. The fellowship is an important part of our community. We appreciate all the preparation and care that make our fellowships so special. We also thank those who have assisted in our Sunday School, Armenian School, ACYOA and the other church activities and events that make Holy Translators the place “where faith, family and fellowship meet”.

The Church always welcomes and encourages anyone who wishes and wants to participate, whether it is through the hosting of a fellowship or offering to contribute their time.

If you would like to offer your talents or assistance to any area of the Church – Sunday School, Armenian School, ACYOA, Special Events, Fellowship, Office Administrative Help, etc. – please contact any of the Parish Council Members. They will be happy to direct you to the appropriate person.

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us”. 2 Cor. 9:11

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Our Armenian Church of the Holy Translators Stewardship commitment for 2007 will be:

_____ \$3,600 _____ \$2,500 _____ \$1,200 _____ \$600 _____ \$300

_____ Other (Please Specify) _____

I have also enclosed my membership dues for 2007

(\$150 per adult) \$ _____ (\$75 per senior 65 and older/student 18 – 25) \$ _____

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