



The LIGHT House Sunday School News

Walking and talking with the Saints at Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Church

April 21, 2019

Church Calendar
Feast of the Glorious Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
Readings
Mk 16:2-8, Acts 1:15-26, Jn 20:1-18 (Matins/Vespers)

Sundays: Look Ahead Calendar of Events

Apr 24	Feast of the Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide
Apr 28	Octave of Easter – New Sunday
May 5	Sunday of the World Church – Green Sunday Graduation Day

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Holy Week Schedule for Sunday School

Holy Thursday – April 18th

- Washing of the Feet (Vodunluva) & Vespers of the Ten Virgins
 - Participating students - 6:30pm – 6:45 to prepare for service at 7pm

Easter Eve – April 20th

- Reading of Sacred Prophecies
- Participating students 5:30pm - 5:45 to prepare for Sacred Readings which begin at 6:00pm

Easter Sunday – April 21st

- No Sunday School – families are encouraged to attend church services as a family

Graduation, May 5th



Visit these Websites: <https://vemkar.us>, <http://www.stvoski.org/embed.html>
<https://armenianchurch.us/>

Going Charitable Projects: *charitable giving includes canned goods collections, hygienic products collection, weekly plate collection, and the Lenten Drive*

- Contribute and participate in the quarterly Mary House Service Program
- **Hygiene Products – Toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, Kleenex, toilet paper, hand sanitizers, wipes, mouthwash, deodorants** – container is in Sunday School Hall
- **This year's Lenten Drive raises money for *Combating Child Malnutrition in Armenia* – to be administered by FAR.**

From DCE:

From Today's Readings

Mark 16:2-8 Early on Sunday, Mary Magdalene, Mary (James' mother), and Salome are on their way to Jesus' tomb with spices to anoint His body. They debate whether they would be able to move the heavy stone that sealed the tomb. (What a tender, human moment!) To their surprise, the stone had been rolled away and an angelic figure sits inside the tomb, proclaiming Jesus' resurrection. They were to tell the disciples and seek the Lord in Galilee. *Discuss/reflect: These women fled in terror (although other manuscript variants end the Gospel with Jesus' appearance to the disciples). Would you have had trouble believing the angel's words? Why or why not?*

Acts 1:15-26 Having encountered Jesus after His crucifixion and witnessed His ascension, Peter is addressing the believers, sharing the grim details of Judas' death. He then declares that a new apostle is needed to replace the betrayer and outlines his qualifications. *Discuss/reflect: Read vv 21-22 closely. What should qualify this new apostle? (that he have been with the Lord the entire time, day in and out, and that he would be able to witness to His resurrection) What might this mean for us as Jesus' followers today?*

John 20:1-18 (Matins/Vespers Gospel) Mary Magdalene visits Jesus' grave. Finding the tomb empty, she runs to tell Peter and John who quickly come to see for themselves. After the disciples leave, Mary remains to grieve over her beloved Lord's tomb. Two angels ask her why she is crying and when she responds that she does not know where her Lord's body is, she is suddenly surprised by someone she mistakenly thinks is the gardener. It is Jesus, yet only when He calls her by name does she know Him. 'Teacher!' she answers ecstatically. He asks her to tell the disciples about their meeting; she runs to them with the words "I have seen the Lord!" *Discuss/reflect: Mary meets the risen Lord and thinks he is the gardener. What famous garden is featured in Genesis 1,2, and 3? In what garden did Jesus sweat so profusely in prayer that they were described as drops of blood? How has Creation come full circle in the risen Lord?*

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St Nersess 2019 Conferences:

- Adult Conference *NEW*: June 6-9
- Deacons' Training Program: June 28-July 7
- High School Conference: July 26-August 4
- College Winter Conference: January 2-6, 2020

Camp Registration

Registrations and applications for Hye Camp and St. Vartan Camp are now available:

diocesansummercamps.org

Contact for St Vartan Camp: Kathryn Ashbahian (kathryna@armeniadiocese.org)

Contact for Hye Camp: Jennifer Morris (jenniferm@armeniadiocese.org)

Sunday School Scholarships for St Nersess and Camp:

- Sunday School offers special scholarships for students who have at least one parent who is a dues paying church member.
 - Students with 90%-100% attendance can receive from 90%-100% scholarships for either St Nersess or camp fees. Non-attendance based scholarships are up to \$150.

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