



# The LIGHT House Sunday School News

**Building Up The Body of Christ – Year of the Family**  
**October 20, 2019**

*Church Calendar*  
*Sixth Sunday After the Exaltation*  
*Readings*  
*Is 20:2-21:6, Gal 4:3-18, Lk 4:14-23.*

**Sundays: Look Ahead Calendar of Events**

Oct 27	Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross
Nov 3	20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Enthronement of Karekin II, Catholicos of all Armenians
Nov 10	Ninth Sunday After Exaltation

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**Absent Teacher On-Call: Anna Robinson (401-580-6788)**

## Today’s Schedule

### Grades PreK-10

- Classes meet at 10am
- Assembly with *Student Advisory Board* (Allan K, Eliz O & Gohar V) - Hanoian Hall, following Holy Communion

### Save the Dates:

- Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>: Assembly – Learn Armenian Hymns with Lisa Z

### CEAB meeting following church services

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

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

- Contribute and participate in the **quarterly Mary House Service Program**
  - **Nov 25, April 6, June 22**

- **Hygiene Products – Toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, Kleenex, toilet paper, hand sanitizers, deodorants** – container is in Sunday School Hall
- **Keep Warm This Winter** – hats, gloves, mittens, sox, scarfs – to be donated to Mary’s House - drive from November to March --- container is in Sunday School Hall
- **Weekly Sunday School student plate donation**

**From DCE:**

**From Today’s Readings**

**Luke 4:14-23** “Filled with the Spirit,” Jesus had been “led by the Spirit” into the wilderness and His triumphant encounter with the devil “In the power of the Spirit,” (14) Jesus returns to His hometown to preach in the synagogue where He declares that “the Spirit of the Lord is on me.” (18). *Discuss/reflect: The Holy Spirit is an important presence in Luke’s Gospel. How is the Spirit’s power at work in the Son? (Strengthens, empowers and guides Him in His ministry) Reflect prayerfully on the words to the hymn “Hoki Asdoodzo (Divine Liturgy Book p.34).*

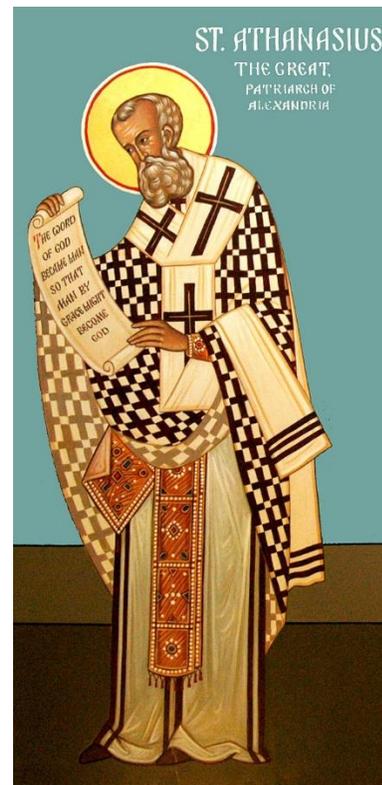
**Galatians 4:3-18** St. Paul reminds the Galatians that Christ offers the possibility of being God’s sons and daughters and therefore not slaves to pagan philosophies. He calls on their friendship and open-hearted spirit to turn from wrong influences. *Discuss/reflect: In a renowned verse (6), St. Paul says that now that we are His children, God drives the Spirit (again, the Spirit!) of the Son into our hearts and the Spirit (!) cries out “Abba! Father!”(Abba means father in Aramaic.) Do you think of your Lord as a loving parent, one who loves and guides you?*

**Isaiah 20:2-21:6** The Judeans were looking to Egypt and Cush for protection, but these powers would be shamefully toppled. *Discuss/reflect: Have you ever had an experience that showed you that the things you thought were important to your happiness and security really were not?*

**Saturday, October 26 Commemorates**

**Twelve Church Fathers: St. Athanasius**

St. Athanasius (c.298-373 AD) was born in the cosmopolitan city of where he spent most of his life. Present at the Council of Nicaea in 325 as of Alexandria’s attendant, the young deacon spoke eloquently against the Arius who denied Christ’s eternal divinity (i.e. there was a time when God *not* exist). He was later appointed as the Bishop’s successor and despite exiles due to religious persecution and politics, he became a prolific of the Christian faith and a revered church leader. He wrote the popular influential *Life of St. Antony*. Of additional note, Bishop Athanasius’ Easter 367 is the earliest reference to the canon of New Testament books as we today. Athanasius’ masterpiece, *On the Incarnation*, is a celebrated the full humanity and full divinity of Jesus. It likens fallen humanity to a that had been spoiled from its original splendor by “external stains” (sin), new person – Jesus Christ -- to sit again for the master painter. (“In this Image of the Father might be restored.”)In orthodoxy, this is the concept of theosis: as St. Athanasius said: “Jesus became what we are might make us what he is.”) *Reflection: Prayerfully think of your heart and Old Masters painting. Where do you think you need God’s loving restoration?*



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