



The LIGHT House

Sunday School News

Building Up The Body of Christ – Year of the Family
November 17, 2019

Church Calendar
Barekendan of the Fast of Advent
Readings
Is 25:9-26:7, Phil 1:1-11, Lk 9:44-50.

Sundays: Look Ahead Calendar of Events

Nov 24	First Sunday of Advent
Dec 1	Second Sunday of Advent
Dec 8	Barekendan of the Fast of St James

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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, November 24th: Assembly - Learn Armenian Hymns with Lisa Z
- Sunday, December 1st: Family Worship Sunday
- Sunday, December 8th: Godparents' Day
- Sunday, December 15th: Gift Wrapping, Assembly with Student Advisory Board
- Sunday, December 22nd: Learn Armenian Hymns with Lisa Z
- Tuesday, December 24th: Christmas Eve Pageant
- Sunday, January 5th: Armenian Christmas Eve Sunday School Party
- Monday, February 17th: Armenian Youth Day 2020

**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:

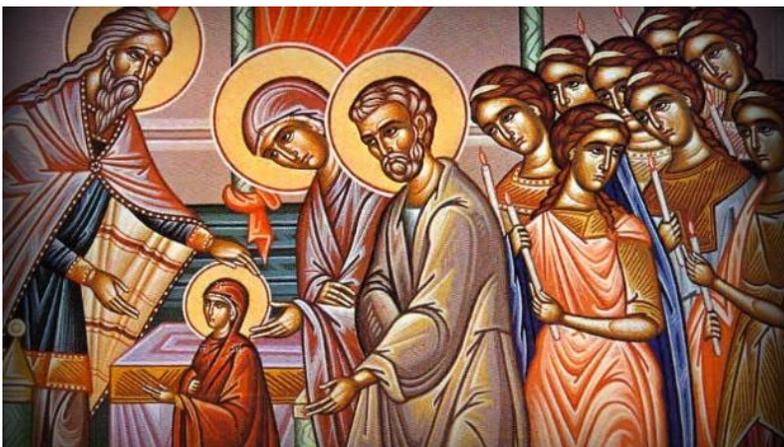
From Today’s Readings

Luke 9:44-50 Although they have just heard their beloved Master predict His betrayal, the disciples blithely begin to argue about who among them would be the greatest. Jesus derails their misguided debate by bringing a child to his side and challenging them to welcome the child and others who are helpless and “least” in the world’s eyes. A true disciple understands that these are the greatest in the kingdom and recognizes Jesus in them. The theme of welcoming extends to the man driving out demons (vv 49-50) for whom he also asks a generosity of heart. *Discuss/reflect: In what ways do you reach out to the “least”?*

Philippians 1:1-11 St. Paul joyfully remembers the Philippians as deeply faithful and thinks of them as his fellow travelers, sharing in God’s grace. He affirms that because of their faith and missionary zeal (“your partnership in the gospel from the first”), God will continue to work in their lives and will bring their mission to “completion” at the end of time. *Discuss/reflect: This is one of the most joyful of St. Paul’s letters, as he cheerleads his beloved church in Philippi. For whom can you serve as spiritual cheerleader?*

Isaiah 25: 9-26:7 These verses begin with an oracle against Moab, a neighbor of Judea, and end, in Chapter 26, with a beautiful psalm-like prayer of trust in God. *Discuss/reflect: What do each of these images: ramparts (v.1), gates (v.2), steadfast mind (v.3), the Rock (v.4), level paths (7) contribute to a picture of faith?*

November 21 is the Feast of the Presentation of St. Mary to the Temple



Day is “immoveable,” meaning that it is celebrated on the fixed date of November 21 regardless of the day of the week on which it might fall.

The early life of St. Mary does not appear in the Gospels. According to Holy Tradition, however, we know that her parents Sts. Joachim and Anna had prayed that they might have a child and made a solemn promise that if God were to bless them with one, they would dedicate him or her to His service. A daughter, Mary, was born to them, and they did not forget their vow. When Mary was three years old, her parents took her to the Temple where she was dedicated and where she stayed in the care of devoted women until she was betrothed at about the age of fourteen. This Feast

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