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January 10

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Reception @ 1PM

Complimentary
Reception

Me, Myself and I

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' Luke 12:16-21

This parable of Jesus, assigned perfectly to the Advent season, is all about learning to be 'Rich Toward God.' A shallow reading of the parable might lead us to think that Jesus is speaking out against wealth or greed. But the man in the parable is not portrayed as particularly greedy, he actually seems surprised by his good fortune. He simply did what all of us would prudently do with surplus wealth; he saved it. What is wrong then that this man is called a fool? What is wrong with building a larger barn to save some of today's extra for an uncertain tomorrow? Nothing, we might answer, except...

Except for two things. First, notice the farmer's consistent focus in the conversation he has with himself: "What should I do, for I have no place to store *my* crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down *my* barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all *my* grain and *my* goods. And I will say to *my* soul..."

Have you ever written an email or a note which, upon reading it over, you notice has way too many I's, me's and my's? Well this farmer's thoughts to himself are like those emails; his relentless use of the first person pronouns I and my betray a preoccupation with self. There is no thought of using the abundance to help others, no expression of gratitude for his good fortune, no recognition of God at all. The farmer is not guilty of being rich. His lack of generosity is a misdemeanor in Judeo-Christian law; his idolatry is a felony. He worships the most popular of gods: the unholy Trinity of "me, myself, and I."

In a similar way, he is not called foolish because he makes provision for the future; he is foolish because he believes that by his wealth he can secure his future: "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." He forgets that, however technologically and culturally advanced we have become, each of us and the human race as a whole remain contingent, vulnerable, fragile beings. Rich or poor, life is fraught with uncertainty and insecurity—and perhaps for this very reason—we are tempted to seek ultimate security and control in things which can actually be found in God alone. The farmer is not called "fool" because of his wealth or his ambition, but rather because he accords finite things infinite value. He has all he believes he wants and more, yet in the end—which comes that very night—it proves inadequate. Think for a moment now and in your prayers this evening; if you got everything you have most deeply wanted and more, would this in the end be adequate? How many I's are in your thoughts? Are you rich towards God so that God in turn will be your ultimate reward?

If you are like me, the "I" key on your computer and phone are rubbed off from so much use. If you are like me, you leave too little room for God's grace because you obsessively seek to control your wealth, your health and your success. If you are like me, then pay attention to what God is saying to you and I this season of Advent; the 50 day spiritual preparation before Christmas.

For in this 50 days of Advent, if we do our part of praying, studying the bible, and putting our relationship with God first, He will do his part of blessing us and all our endeavors to be more joyful and fruitful than we could imagine. Try it. Whatever your spiritual practice is, be more intentional about it, increase it, put God at the head of it in this busy, stress-filled season. If we can patiently do this, we will find that—more and more—we forget about ourselves and our anxieties as we rely more on God. We will find perspective on our wealth—great or small—by being rich towards God. And we will find, I pray, that as Advent is passing and we approach the Christmas birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ into the world, we will have built up a larger store house to receive Him into our hearts; the only treasure that is ever worth storing, now and always and unto the ages of ages, amen.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT by Michael Shahnasarian, Ph.D.

The beginning of a new year marks a conventional occasion to reflect on past blessings, as well as those we pray will come. I am, accordingly, ceding to this tradition with grateful proclamation that God has truly blessed our church family.

Our blessings are both visible and invisible, as is the mystery of faith.

The visible objects glorifying God's presence St. Hagop acquired this past year include two artifacts most connected to Armenians' recent past: a memorial monument dedicated on the centennial anniversary of the genocide, and a genocide martyrs icon consecrated on All Saints Day. Many of our faithful hail our new cultural center – because of its physical presence and capacity to accommodate events of all sorts – as a visible beacon of our future.

Like other blessings God bestowed, our cultural center foreshadows both visible and invisible manifestations of His presence and will. God's presence on our St. Hagop campus exalts the building to a venue from which we can pursue ministries central to our mission: the preservation and perpetuation of our Armenian Christian faith and Armenian heritage.

Along the lines of visible and invisible blessings, and unequivocally God-inspired, is the spirit that moved parishioners and friends of St. Hagop to:

- Envision, commit, pool resources in an amazingly short time, and construct our cultural center, and
- Complete the building both on time and on budget.

In no way are these accomplishments happenstance. God's hand directed our fate, and Stepan Serpekian and Chuck Sarkisian shepherded the project from its conception to its fruition. Many others, of course, contributed in significant ways.

Also in both visible and invisible ways, 2015 was ripe with memorable spiritual and cultural events. The centennial genocide commemoration events were perhaps the most noteworthy.

Our St. Hagop community rallied in spirit and in flesh with Armenians and friends of our cause worldwide - from bygone and present generations - to commemorate our martyrs and others who suffered under the Turkish Ottomans. The essence of Armenian identity, regardless of one self-identifying as an Armenian Christian, bonded our diaspora and all who sought recognition and justice for atrocities our ancestors and contemporary Armenian brothers and sisters bore and have endured.

As we move into 2016, a great, can-do attitude permeates St. Hagop. Among other things, faith, a passionate and inspired rector, and parishioners – past and present, and who continue to selflessly and cheerfully give of themselves - have fueled this spirit.

Please indulge me as I wonder aloud about our upcoming year: our church was built only 8 years ago, and we now have a new, multipurpose 6,881 square foot cultural center from which to expand our ministries. Our congregation is growing in numbers and in ministries it is pursuing. What possibilities lie ahead? How will we contribute to God's plan for us?

While I pen these words, I remain mindful that many members of our Christian family – Armenians and other believers in the middle east - are suffering beyond our comprehension. Der voghormya. Our St. Hagop family, Christian brethren, and others committed to religious freedom must continue their vigilance to ensure these souls' safekeeping.

Our primate, Surpazan (Archbishop) Khajag Barsamian will be visiting us from New York to consecrate our new building on January 10th. This occasion will certainly unite the visible and invisible elements of our belief in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and I pray you will join us as we move forward in our new year.

With Faith We Shall Build | Հաւատքով Պիտի Կառուցենք

As we enter this Christmas season, I want to express my warmest wishes and the deepest gratitude to each parishioner of St. Hagop. As Michael Shahnasarian eloquently explained in his message, I too rejoice with how visibly "God is with us" at St. Hagop.

God is indeed with us. As we witness the final touches of our new building. He touched the hearts of all those who supported our hall initiative by giving their precious time and treasures to make it a reality. Many are amazed with our accomplishment and wondered how did we do it? Here is how:

Faith conquers doubt

February 2013 seems just like yesterday! We kicked off our campaign to raise \$1 Million, with the goal to build the hall in 2015. We had other goals: 100% parishioner participation, a commitment not to assume any loans and to begin construction only when we raised the needed funds. Many doubted our ability to achieve these ambitious goals. Memories of the financial difficulties in building our beloved St. Hagop over the previous 10 years were still fresh in the minds of many.

We started our fund raising campaign under the banner of "With Faith we Shall Build". As the donations started coming in, coupled with special event activities, significant pledges followed and the momentum grew with increased outreach and awareness. We continued to encourage everyone to participate according to their means. As of today, 172 individuals and families responded. Donations arrived from near and far, from parishioners of all means, their friends and visitors. The Women's Guild contributed, as they have done for years, through their usual hard work and dedication, "one baklava and choreg" at a time. There were the anonymous donors and those who are not even on our mailing list! They gave and gave again! By spring of last year, we closed the remaining gap to our goal during the fundraising Gala at the Shahnasarian's. Planning for construction began shortly thereafter while payments towards the pledges were being made. I'm delighted to report so far we have raised over \$1,084,000. More significantly, 100% of the pledges will be paid by year-end. This is truly unprecedented in any nonprofit fund raising, where surveys report over 12% of the pledges are not collected or remain unpaid. Is there any greater testimony that God is with us indeed?

Church Hall Pledges Through December, 2015		
Pledge Amounts	# of Donors	Total Pledged
Under \$100	28	\$1,062
\$100-\$199	31	\$3,410
\$200-\$499	31	\$7,450
\$500-\$999	23	\$12,135
\$1,000-\$1,999	28	\$31,555
\$2,000-\$4,999	14	\$36,338
\$5,000-\$9,999	4	\$20,000
\$10,000-\$49,999	5	\$97,000
\$50,000-\$99,999	5	\$298,617
\$100,000-\$199,999	2	\$272,239
\$200,000+	1	\$201,000

Construction

The construction committee, chaired by the tireless effort of Stepan Serpekian and supported by eight volunteers, worked hard under the guidance of the Parish Council. After a rigorous process of competitive bidding, we were blessed in our decision to team up with our selected builder, Scherer Construction and our advisor, Pete Karamitsanis, of Lighthouse advisors. The collective hard work and commitment of this construction team made the building process look easy to outside observers. We adhered to our principles of full transparency and multiple layers in monitoring construction costs to ensure we stay on budget. Typically with any construction, we faced the challenges of the unexpected surprises, but under Stepan's leadership and in cooperation with Scherer and Lighthouse Advisors, as well as their voluntary financial contributions, these challenges were easily overcome. The donation of the travertine flooring by

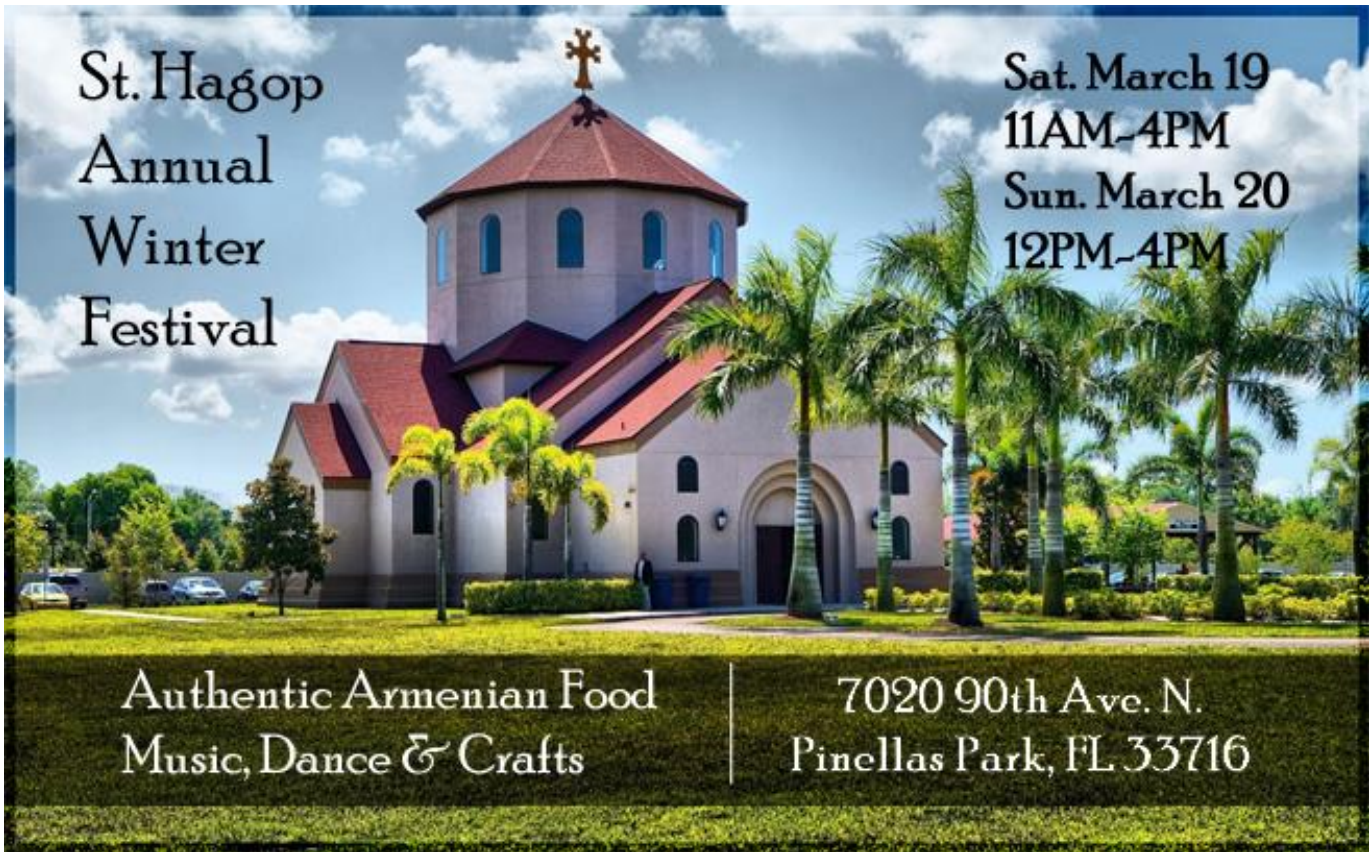
Hratch Kapreilian arrived just in time from New Jersey so we can make a significant enhancement. With God's grace, construction will be completed on time to hold our New Year's event and more importantly; on budget.

What is next?

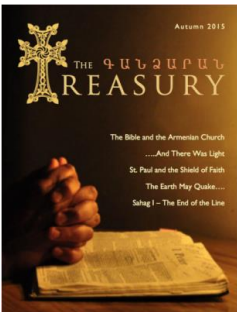
As Father Hovnan reminds us, "building a church or hall is relatively easy", the difficult task is what we do with it. It is up to us how we use God's blessings to serve the needs of our community. The possibilities are numerous: Service, education, preservation of our Armenian Christian heritage to name just a few. In our most recent survey over 70% of the respondents expressed a desire for Armenian language classes. Another 78% are interested in Armenian Culture classes (dance, food/cooking, history.) 41% are interested in other educational classes such as wellness, financial planning, retirement, etc. Obviously, food service is paramount to the Women's Guild as they will enjoy the luxury of having a fully equipped kitchen! The hall will be also used for banquet and event rentals. Clearly, all of these activities require strategic planning, management, financial budgeting, scheduling and administration. To that extent, the Parish Council asked me to manage the operation of the new hall. I accepted to volunteer my time to do so for the first year. I will work with the Parish Council to help organize and manage this effort with the help of other St. Hagop volunteers as this requires a team effort. It is gratifying to see that 50% of the survey respondents are willing to volunteer their time to help. So the time is now. If you are willing to teach Armenian, conduct a cooking class, form an Armenian dance group, lecture on Armenian history or whatever your passion or expertise is, please see me. Even if the only thing you are able to offer is your time, we can use it as our needs are many. We welcome you talents, time and ideas as we begin our planning. On that note, the Women's Guild will hold a "kitchen shower" in January to accept donations to equip the kitchen with needed tools, utensils, etc. Please see Lena Kotchounian if you are willing to support this effort.

Thank you again; May God bless you all for all your help and support.... With Faith We Have Built.



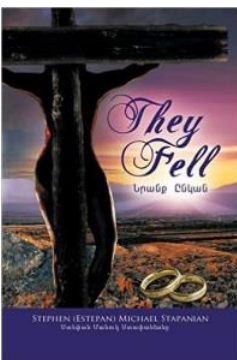


New Publications Available For Our Community



KANTSARAN/ TREASURY Publication Available For Free In Church Narthex!

In our church survey, many indicated the desire for more education about our church and worship. To this end, the Parish Council is again making available complimentary copies of *The Treasury* (aka Kantsaran) in the narthex. The goal of this publication is to help cultivate a thriving and united Armenian Christian community and revive Armenian Orthodox theology and life within our Church. For more information, visit www.StVoski.org. Thanks to Chuck Sarkisian for subsidizing this publication for St. Hagop.



"They Fell" Published by Stepan Stapanian—Available for Purchase on Amazon

"They Fell." a historical fiction novel, was recently published by our own Stepan Stapanian! "They Fell" was original written in 1981 as a manuscript for a motion picture film consideration. The novel tells a love story set against the backdrop of the 1915 Armenian Genocide. It is written for a mature audience as it is graphic and explicit. Armenian history, customs, music and poetry is integrated throughout. Cover design and art work by our own Jack Dikranian. The book can be purchased in paperback or ebook on www.amazon.com, speak to Stepan for more details.

WOMEN'S GUILD REPORT submitted by Teresa Haidarian

By the time you read this we should be in our new church hall, where you will see members of the women's guild serving you from our new kitchen.

We have looked forward to this day for many years and promise to serve you delicious - it's a sin not to eat it - food along with bright, sparkling coffee under the leadership of our guild leader Lena Kotchounian. She has many plans for this new adventure and there are many to thank for this kitchen. Of course we want to thank the women who came before us who established the woman's guild for St. Hagop Church. We thank the many donors' whose contributions made it possible to build the hall and especially Chuck Sarkisian who is the named donor of our kitchen. We also thank the women and men who donated baked goods for the many bake sales we had over the years so that we could provide the restaurant quality appliances needed for the kitchen. And a big thank you to all of those who supported our many fundraisers for all of these years.

We know we will need more items to properly stock our kitchen so we will be having a "kitchen shower", possibly as soon as January. We hope you will continue to support our efforts to make this into the best Armenian kitchen in the eastern diocese. More information will follow after we finalize our kitchen needs list.

It's not too soon to mention that we will host the annual diocese convention in 2017. We'll fill you in on our part closer to that occasion.

Lena and her band of gourmet cooks would like to prepare Armenian meals for takeout. As soon as our kitchen is up and running, she will design a menu and her experts will have ready to go meals on Sundays so that you do not have to prepare your own meals on Sunday afternoon! Another thing to look forward to when our new kitchen is open for business!

We want you to be a part of the women's guild! Bring your unique talents to serve in the most active group in this church! Nancy Poladian continues to provide her nursing talents to parishioners after church on select Sundays, Louise Yardumian and Vicky Mouradian provide a beautiful arrangement of altar flowers each week. Our talented cooks provide an assortment of delicacies to enjoy at coffee hour, and volunteers clean off the pavilion tables for Sunday coffee hour. We bake for bake sales, document special events and prepare meals for faithful after church and for special events. There is a need for you and your talent. Please see Lena Kotchounian to join.

If you want to learn the secrets to providing stunning flowers for the altar on any given Sunday, our resident flower expert Louise Yardumian has offered to teach anyone the art of making beautiful flower arrangements...just as soon as we can pull her away from her grandchild, Kennedy Priscilla!

And of course, if you want our team to provide the flowers for you, just talk to Grandma Louise or Vicky and donate the money to buy the flowers in your honor or your loved one's honor.



We Believe Sunday School Curriculum Spring 2016

The goal of the new curriculum series is “to bring the learner into a living relationship with Jesus Christ, within the Church- the Body of Christ- through the Holy Tradition of the Armenian Church.” Overall, the curriculum will help students explore four fundamental questions:

Who is God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)?

How do we come to know him through the familiar and life-giving Tradition of the Armenian Church and through her story?

How are our lives transformed by that knowledge?

How do we live in Christian community with that knowledge?

The Armenian Church is fortunate in that its faithful are active communicants in the life of the Church from the moment they are baptized as infants. They are able to participate fully in experiential, formative faith. Not only the curriculum and the Sunday School teacher, but also parents, pastors, and the entire community support the process of the learner’s transformation from “knowing about” Christ to true discipleship.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lesson From "We Believe Kindergarten" Book</u>
1/3	Jesus Called the Disciples
1/10	Jesus Taught Us How to Live YOUTH EVENT: Bible Blessing With Surpazan
1/17	Jesus Taught Us How to Pray
1/24	Jesus Taught Us Who He Was
1/31	Jesus Made People Feel Better
2/7	Jesus Taught Us How to be Together YOUTH EVENT: Create Valentine Cards for Children at All Children’s Hospital
2/15	Jesus Taught Us to Share our Faith
2/21	We Join the Church With Baptism
2/28	We Grow in Faith Together
3/6	We Remember Jesus on Sunday
3/13	We Honor Jesus in Church with Words and Actions YOUTH EVENT: Armenian Cooking Class
3/20	The Cross is a Special Sign
2/27	How the Armenians Became a Christian People
4/3	The People of God Celebrate
4/10	Loving God Through Worship
4/17	Why Do We Go to Church
4/24	A Walk Through the Badarak
5/1	Starting Over Every Sunday
5/8	Sunday for the Rest of the Week
5/15	We Are Part of a Long Story
5/22	We Belong to a Family Faith Now YOUTH EVENT: End of the year pool party

Open Forum Parent Meeting

To Better Our Youth Programs

**Sunday Jan. 17
Shahnasarian Hall
12:30-1:30 PM**

Join parents, teachers, Fr. Hovnan and PC members
to discuss how parents and leaders can work together
to improve quality and attendance of our youth programming



Visit of H.E. Abp. Khajag Barsamian



Sunday January 10

Christmas Badarak & Blessing of Waters



**Church @ 10:30
Reception @ 1PM**

Church Hall Ribbon Cutting & Reception



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ST HAGOP ADOPT A MILE CLEANUP-DEC 20 AFTER CHURCH



St. Hagop has officially adopted the mile of Belcher road in front of our church! It is our commitment to clean up 4x a year with county provided equipment. The county will in turn install a sign acknowledging our church. Please join our first cleanup. This is a wonderful witness of St. Hagop's service in our neighborhood and a great way to bond together! The next two dates for our clean-ups are:

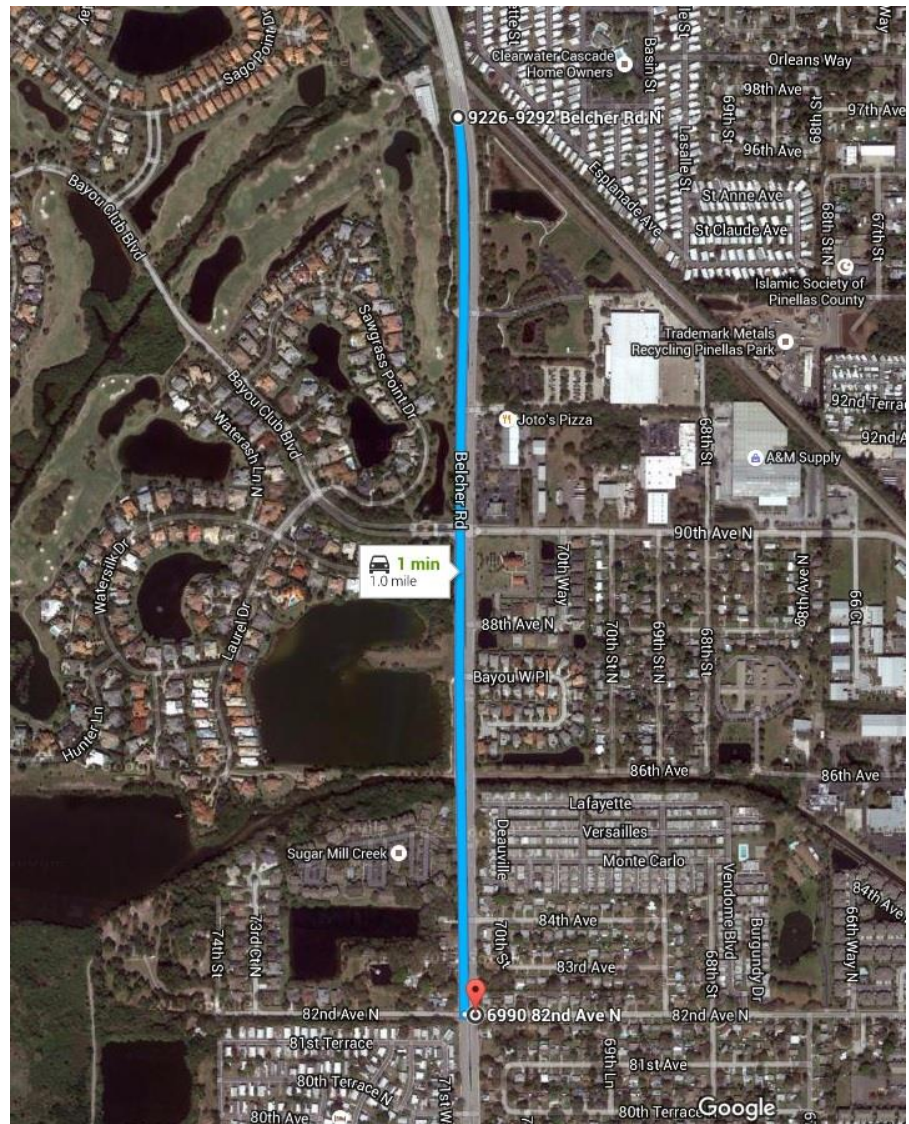
- Sunday December 20th after church and fellowship (1PM-3PM)
- Saturday January 23rd from (1:30 PM-3:30 PM)

Just bring comfortable clothes suitable to the weather, reflective vests, bags, latex gloves and trash collection tools will all be provided.

Teresa Haidarian is our adopt-a-mile coordinator, please contact her with any questions you might have at haid50@aol.com or [813-889-8040](tel:813-889-8040).

To the right is the map of the stretch of Belcher that will be adopted and named after St. Hagop if we fulfill our clean-up pledge.

Let's show our neighbors that St. Hagop exists not only to serve our own, but to be a steward and caretaker of our neighborhood!



JANUARY
22-24



CHAPTER WORKSHOP 2016

Registration fee is \$150 before December 31, 2015.
After that date, there will be a \$180 registration fee.

The fee is payable upon arrival. This includes programs, meals and accommodations at the Marriot in St. Petersburg, FL. Cancellation will be subject to a \$75 fee.

All current and prospective ACYOA members are invited to join us for a casual weekend as we discuss how we are all in this together with our community. Take part in a "Faith in Action" service project to benefit a local Florida charity as well as a night of fellowship Saturday - you don't want to miss out

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To register, ask your pastor, youth director or ACYOA chapter chair for registration information;
or contact: Lorie Odabashian, Coordinator, Youth and Young Adult Ministries at
lorieo@armeniandiocese.org, or 212-686-0710 ext.143

Reminder-Please Pay Your Dues by Year End!

For your convenience, we have provided a list below of all those whose dues are paid for 2015, current as of December 16, 2015. If your name is not on this list, please send in a check to the church office with “membership dues” in the memo at your earliest convenience, or try our totally revamped online payment. Membership dues for the year 2015 are \$125 for general membership and \$50 for 18-24 year olds. Deadline is Dec. 31 2015.

Thank you for becoming a voting member of the St. Hagop Community!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thur. Dec. 31	New Year's Even Dance-Shahnasarian Hall	8:00PM-1AM
Sun. Jan. 3	Divine Liturgy Sunday School	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Tue. Jan. 5	Eve of Theophany (Jrakalooys) Badarak	6:30 PM
Wed. Jan. 6	Armenian Christmas-Church Open For Prayer	10AM-5PM
Sun. Jan. 10	H.E. Abp Khajag Barsamian Visit Divine Liturgy-Armenian Christmas Observed Blessing of Waters-Bibles for Sunday School Shahnasarian Hall Grand Opening Reception	10:30 AM 12:00PM 12:30 PM
Tue. Jan. 12	Parish Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Sun. Jan. 17	Divine Liturgy Sunday School SS/ACYOA Parent Teacher Meeting	10:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM
Jan. 22-24	ACYOA Regional Chapter Workshop-St. Hagop	
Sun. Jan. 24	Divine Liturgy Հայ Baby Play Group Sunday School	10:30 AM 10:30 AM
Sun. Jan. 31	Divine Liturgy Sunday School	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Sun. Feb. 7	Divine Liturgy- Poon Parekendan Sunday School-Valentine's Card for All Children's	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Mon. Feb. 8	First Day of Great Lent	
Tue. Feb. 9	Parish Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Sun. Feb. 14	Divine Liturgy Sunday School Annual Parish Assembly	10:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM
Sun. Feb. 21	Divine Liturgy Sunday School	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Sun. Feb. 28	Divine Liturgy Հայ Baby Play Group Sunday School	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Sun. Mar. 6	Divine Liturgy Sunday School	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Tue. Mar. 8	Parish Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Sun. Mar. 13	Divine Liturgy Sunday School-Armenian Cooking Class	10:30 AM 11:00 AM
Sat. Mar. 19	Annual Winter Festival/Bazaar /Bake Sale	11-4 PM
Sun. Mar. 20	Divine Liturgy-Palm Sunday-Opening of Doors Sunday School/ Հայ Baby Play Group Annual Winter Festival/Bazaar /Bake Sale	10:30 AM 11:00 AM 12-4 PM
Thur. Mar. 24	Washing of the Feet/ <i>Votnha</i> Service Vigil/ <i>Khavaroom</i> Service-the Passion of our Lord	7:00 PM 8-9:30 PM
Fri. Mar. 25	Burial Service (<i>Good Friday</i>)	7:00 PM
Sat. Mar. 26	<i>Easter Eve</i> Divine Liturgy/"Jragalooys Badarak"	7:00 PM
Sun. Mar. 27	Easter Divine Liturgy Sunday School/ Հայ Baby Play Group Children's Easter Egg Hunt	10:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM

Please note that by canon law of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church, no Requiem Services may be held on the following major feast days of the church; Christmas, Palm Sunday/Easter, Pentecost, Transfiguration & Exaltation of the Cross.

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