#### 2017 PLEDGED STEWARDS

George & Joan Agnacian, Andrew & Theresa Anusbigian, Artak Apyan, John & Susan Arsenault, Victoria Atamian, Leon & Gloria Atayan, Michael Atayan, Grace Austin, George Avadikian, Bagrad Badalyan, Charles & Lisa Begian, Cornelia Biggers, Sonia Cure, Fr. Hovnan & Yn. Anna Demerjian, Rose Derderian, Fred Dikranian, Araxi Dulgeroff, Art & Adrienne Ekizian, Victoria Franks, Harbig & Mary Garabedian, Bill & Kim Gernazian, Richard & Pauline Gilgan, Adrienne Guendjoian, Gregory Hagopian, Teresa Hairdarian, Berge & Tamar Hajian, Janet Haydostian, Mary Haydostian, Nazdar Hermiz, Hayley Hovhanessian, Greg & Stephanie Hovsepian, Ed & Eileen Barsamian Jennings, Richard & Christina Kachadurian, Dr. George & Debra Kamajian, Sam & Bea Kapreilian, Seda & Irene Hakim Karamian, Hannelore Keshishian, Ara & Rita Keshishian, Garbis & Mari Kesisoglu, Gregory & Nora Keuroghlian, Houri Kojian, Richard & Margaret Kratlian, Noubar & Anna Mahdessian, Naomi Manoogian, Christine Martin, Dr. Hagop & Tobe Mashikian, Mallory Maslar, Richard & Linda Maslar, Aram & Carla Megerian, Vazken Melkisetian, Ida Merakyan, John Messerlian, Alice Miller, Vasken & Karen Minassian, Agop & Victoria Mouradian, Apkar & Florence Omartian, Sima Palakian, Margaret Penerian, Bernard Przegendza, Ira & Annette Ross, Martha Samuelian, Michael Sarafian, Tanya Sarafian, Vahak & Elizabeth Sarkis, Charles & Eva Sarkisian, Leon & Sharon Sarkisian, Chris & Carol Sassouni, Avedis & Anahid Serpekian, Stepan & Seta Serpekian, Vicken & Courtney Serpekian, Alexis Shahnasarian, Edward & Margaret Shahnasarian, Elizabeth Shahnasarian, Dr. Michael & Jean Shahnasarian, Robert & Christina Shamsev. Daniel & Norma Takoushian, Ida Varadian, Charles Walker, James Wilson, Nazley Wilson, Dr. Haig & Louise Yardumian. Armen & Rose Zartarian

We invite you to participate in our 2017 Pledge Please note that extra blank cards available in the Narthex

# Florida ACYOA Juniors Retreat, March 18-19, 2017

Open to all youth ages 13-18, teens will have an opportunity to retreat from the daily struggles and challenges of teenage life and focus on spiritual renewal and peer fellowship. The retreat will be held here at St. Hagop and will begin Saturday, March 18 and will conclude on Sunday, March 19. Participants should arrive at 4:00 PM on Saturday. The retreat will conclude after Divine Liturgy and lunch on Sunday by 1:00 PM. The cost is \$20.00 per participant for food, materials and a t-shirt.

# Save the Date - 115th Diocesan Assembly - May 2017

St. Hagop has the great honor to host the 115th Diocesan Assembly of the Diocese of Armenian Church of America (Eastern). The Diocesan Assembly will take place at Innisbrook Golf Resort in Palm Harbor from May 4-7, 2017, and the annual clergy conference at the Bethany Center in Lutz, FL from May 1-3, 2017.

Our Diocesan Assembly Committee has designed this year's assembly so that our quests from around the Diocese, as well as our local community can come together for work, worship and fun as one Armenian Church Diocesan family. We will also be celebrating St. Hagop's 10th Anniversary as a consecrated parish!

More information to come from our Diocesan Assembly Committee, chaired by Stepan Serpekian. Contact us at assembly@sthagopfl.org with any questions.

## ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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5th Sunday After Nativity

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Sunday of the Catechumens



February 12, 2017

Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 63:7-18 2 Timothy 3:1-12 John 6:22-38

Today:

Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Parish Assembly 12:30 PM Diocesan Assembly

1:30 PM Meeting

7:00 PM

All parishioners are encouraged to attend and participate in our annual Parish Assembly. Please join us, it is a joy and privilege to participate in the stewardship and governance of our church.

# **Looking Ahead At Next Week**

Monday, Feb. 13 Dr. Richard G. Hovannisian Sunday, Feb. 19 Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



# **Annual Parish Assembly—TODAY**

All parishioners are encouraged to attend and participate in our annual Parish Assembly today. For your convenience, and to better prepare you for our meeting, the entire 2016 Annual Report can be downloaded and printed by clicking on the report image. We have worked very hard to make all of the works of our church transparent and accessible, we hope you will do your part to read our annual report and attend our annual assembly. Fellowship provided prior to meeting.

## Illustrated Presentation with Dr. Richard G. Hovannisian—Tomorrow



Please plan to join us here at St. Hagop for a Special Presentation on Monday, February 13th at 7:00pm with Dr. Richard G. Hovannisian Professor Emeritus of Modern Armenian and Near Eastern History, UCLA, President's Fellow, Chapman University, Adjunct Professor of History, USC, and the Editor of Armenian Communities of the Northeastern Mediterranean Series.

# **Peter Balakian Poetry Collection this Thursday**

On Thursday, Feb. 16th, the University of South Florida is hosting the renowned Peter Balakian for a presentation of his poetry collection "Ozone Journal" for which he won the Pulitzer Prize in 2016. We encourage our St. Hagop members to attend and support this special event. Held at CWY room 206 at 6pm, presented by USF Humanities Institute. http://www.cas.usf.edu/alumni/events/



# Can you help by being a Mardi Gras Sponsor?

We would like to offer you the opportunity to be a sponsor of our Mardi Gras and support our activities; food, music, costumes, etc. Please make your donation online through our church website. or send in a check to the church with memo, "Mardi Gras 2017" (amount at your discretion). Your name will be notated as one of the sponsors. We thank you for consideration.

Louise Yardumian, Event Chair

### KISS OF PEACE

As a reminder, below is the greeting and response during the "Kiss of Peace" which is found on p.27 in your pew books...

#### The greeting is:

Քրիստոս ի մէջ մեր լայտնեցաւ։ Krisdos ee mech mer havdnestav. Christ is revealed among us.

# The response is:

Օրհնեալ է լալտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի։ Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee. Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.

#### YOUR PRAYERS

## **Praver Requests**

Please keep Carolyn Saharian, Rose Yaghoobian, Marion Rejebian, Kamo Gyularian, Diane Sahagian, Charles Garabedian, Harold and Tanina Garabedian, Hrach Saroyan, Kirkor Ovanesian, Daniel Nahapetyan, Stefi Hovious, and Debra Curry in your prayers for health and all good gifts in Christ.

# Join Us for Sunday School

We have a great team of teachers this year working hard to put together engaging lessons while educating our youth on how to be Armenian Christians each Sunday. Join us every Sunday at 11AM for Sunday School For more information, please contact superintendent Lexy at sundayschool@sthagopfl.org

# **Greeter Ministry Involvement Opportunities**

St. Hagop seeks volunteer greeters who can commit to serve once per GREETERS month on an ongoing basis to greet our worshippers and participate in Badarak worship tasks such as spreading the kiss of peace and passing the collection plates - tasks our parish council members have traditionally assumed. Please call the church office, if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.





# Armenian Mardi Gras "Poon Paregentan"

Saturday, February 25, 2017-11:30am-7:00pm Armenian Food - Music - Dancing, Armenian Collectibles, Children's Activities, Tavloo, Armenian Coffee, Vendors, Church Tours, Raffle Prizes & more...

You will find a big "SIGN UP POSTER" in Shahnasarian Hall. Please add your name to the area you prefer to help and the shift(s) you are able to help. THANK YOU!

#### Share Your Favorite Armenian Treasures at our Mardi Gras

We are looking for beautiful, historic, interesting items you would like us to display to help us share our history and culture with visitors on Saturday during our Armenian Mardi Gras. Please contact Karen Minassian at Karen@homeserviceinteriors.com or call Karen at 941-504-5545 if you have items you would like to share. Items should be brought to the church no later than Feb. 19th and must be picked up after the bazaar by Sunday, Mar. 5th.