Gratitude for Our 2023 Pledge Stewa

So far, we have 99 pledges totaling \$158,435 for 2023; join us with your pledge!



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Stewardship 2024 Schedule

Our stewardship committee has drafted the schedule below for the upcoming year. We appreciate all who give of their time and means to our church!

09/24/23 Stewardship Campaign '24 Announcement Letter

10/01/23 Stewardship Sermon I 10/15/23 Parishioner Testimonial I

10/29/23 Parishioner Testimonial II

11/05/23 Parishioner Testimonial III (TBD)

11/06/23 Pledge Cards Mailed

11/19/23 Stewardship Sermon II

11/23/23 Thanksgiving Day

11/27/23 Pledge Sunday

12/17/23 Deadline to Return Pledge Cards

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Third Sunday of the Cross-Holy Cross of Varak

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October 1, 2023



Today's Scripture Readings:

Proverbs 3:18-26 Isaiah 65:22-25 Galatians 6:14-18 Matthew 24:30-36















St. Hagop Holy Land Pilgrimage

Registration is open for the St. Hagop pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Trip dates are Sept 1-11, 2024. Cost is \$3,698 per person if we reach our 20 participant target. Cost for ground trip only is \$2,198. Do join us if you are interested in a spiritual discovery tour of the Holy Land led by Fr. Hovnan, alongside St. Hagop faithful! Brochure with trip details and registration form is on our website and in eblasts. Brochure is also available in the church narthex.

Greeter Ministry Involvement Opportunities

St. Hagop seeks volunteer greeters to serve once per month on an ongoing basis to greet our worshippers and participate in Badarak worship tasks. Please contact Rita Keshishian <u>Rita Keshishian@hotmail.com</u> if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.

Sunday School is Now in Session

Calling all parents of youth ages 5-12! Join us today and every Sunday for great teachers and interactive lessons on church & Armenian culture. Classroom is for ages 5-12. Sunday School starts at 11:00 sharp (room opens at 10:45). After a 30-45 minute lesson children will worship in church. We look forward to seeing all our young families this year! Contact us sundayschool@sthagopfl.org with any questions.

Invitation to Host Coffee Hour Fellowship!

The Women's Guild invites you to host our fellowship after church. Anyone can host to honor someone (birthday or celebration), to memorialize them (hokehankist/requiem) or simply to help out. Please speak to Lucy or Rita to sign up. Thank you for taking your turn to serve!

Join Suncoast Armenians FB Group

St. Hagop young professional Irina Karakhanyan started a Facebook group so Armenians of our area can inform & support each other. We hope this helps our blessed community bond ever closer! Join the group by clicking www.facebook.com/groups/tampaarmenians.

Prayer and Support for the People of Artsakh

Tens of thousands of people are fleeing persecution in Artsakh and coming to Armenia. Displaced families will need much help, especially as winter approaches. Please consider researching and supporting the 4 organizations highlighted in our eblast and talking to their representatives from our community. Most importantly, let's keep the people of Artsakh in our prayers that God be their protector and strength in the difficult days ahead.

Special Ghapama Fellowship Nov 5th

Join us Sun. Nov. 5th after church for a special Ghapama fellowship; a tradtional Armenian celebration of abundance for the whole family. There will be a tayloo tournament and music as well as delicious baked, stuffed pumpkin as per tradition! J'Hey Jan Ghapama'

Services and Events

Sun. Oct. 1st	Divine Liturgy-Holy Cross of Varak/Sunday School (11 AM) Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Sun. Oct. 8th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School (11 AM) Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Tue. Oct. 10th	Parish Council Meeting	6:00pm-8:00pm
Sun. Oct. 15th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School (11 AM) Special St. Hagop 'Sweet 16' Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-1:30pm

Requiem Prayers for September

It is our church's tradition to pray every Sunday for our loved ones asleep in Christ, especially during the Intercessions (p. 35-38) and Der Voghormya (p. 45). This month, please pray for these deceased and their surviving family members for peace in Christ:

John E. Arsenault, Greta Arutyunyan, Meline Avakian, Artur Babajanian, Marian Bandazian,
John Bejakian, Vasiliki Calikyan, George Caragulla, Henry Demirdjian, Andrea Kaloostian Espinola, Leo Ghoogasian, Michael Hadchikian, Melanya Hakobyan, Janet Haydostian, Jack Kachanian, Jacques Kojian, George Manoulian, Alexander Martirosov, Artur Levon Mikoian, Jack Messerlian, Shake & Ohannes Misirliyian, Sima Palakian,
Marusya Poghosyan, Helen Sarkisian

Your prayers are requested for the soul of *Greta Arutyunyan* by her children Natella (Sergio) & Lana, her grandchildren Alex (Krikor), Cristine (Mardiros), Diane, Arman and Isabella and her great -grandchild Andre, along with their entire families on the one year memorial of her passing.

Your prayers are requested for the souls of **Djivan & Marie Hovsepian**, **Jacques Hovsepian** and **Alexan & Takuhy Zorayan** by Susan & Victoria Zorayan & family on the memorials of their passing.

Please contact the church to add your loved one to our monthly requiem list. Donations to St. Hagop, or sponsoring coffee hour in honor of departed loved ones are welcome any Sunday. Full requiem/ hokehankist service may also be requested at least one week in advance of date.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for Louise Yardumian, Ara Keshishian, Eric Thorensen, Daniel Takoushian, Martha-Anne Garabedian, George Mangigian, Martine Kazian Clements, Linda Isabelle, Kim & Bryan Witeof, Sharon and Glenn Oglesbee, Michele Fender, Stella Eckart, Jack Dikranian, Andrea Zehnder, Inessa Grigoryan, Virginia Messerlian, Patty Arakelian, Jacob Cantor, Stephen Hazerjian, Leon & Sharon Sarkisian, Beverly Baez, Nina Sarkisian, Anna Tossoonian, Betty Witzel, Lucian Grove, Ruth Marie Samuelian, William Lowrie, Beatrice Kapreilian, Louis Bellantoni, Kamo Gyularian, Adrienne Ekizian, Sarah Malajian, Alex & Carolyn Saharian, Charles Garabedian and Harold & Tanina Garabedian.

Kiss of Peace

Below is the greeting and response for the "Kiss of Peace," also found on p.27 in your pew books:

The response is:	
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Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.	