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Second Sunday of Lent

This Saturday and Sunday readings: **Rm. 12:1-21** **Mt. 5:17-39**

Next Saturday and Sunday readings: **2 Cor. 6:1-18** **Lk. 15:11-32**

-09:45 AM Office prayer prior to Holy Mass during Lent

Please pray with us today for the soul of **Father Sahak Keshishian**, in the occasion of his 100th birth anniversary. Requested by Holy Cross Parish and ex-students and ex-scouts of St. Gregory School in Lebanon. May the Lord bless his souls and forgive his and our sins. (Please see attached flyers for more info)

Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your will

Prayer List: Please pray with us for the sick in the parish and especially for; **Hagop Kehyaian, Yeghia Grigorian, Aveda Kitabjian, Hovsep Topalian and Lucy Aylaian**. Please let the Church know if someone needs prayer and we can add him to this list as long as he wishes!

Sick in the parish: Please let Father Mikael know about anyone who is sick, homebound or for any reason cannot come to Church.

Sunday Collection: our collection last Sunday 03 February 2019 was: \$696 and from candles: \$57. Please note that our weekly expenses are around \$3000. May the Lord bless and compensate you in this life and the next.

Saturday evening Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM in English: We are introducing the vigil Mass in English to our Mass schedule for all those who for any reason cannot make it to Sunday Mass.

Altar Flowers opening: Altar flowers for Sunday March 10th 2019 are donated by **Harout&Lena Sajonian and family and by Emmanuel&Marina DerTorossian and family** in sweet memory of **George Massmanian**'s fifth anniversary. May the Lord bless his soul and grant him eternal life. Please let the parish office know if you wish to donate altar flowers for any given Sunday. (you can bring the flowers yourself or give a \$50 donation toward buying them)

-We have openings for March 31/ 2019

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Please come early on any given Holy Mass if you wish to have confession and Father will be happy to perform the sacrament. Also, you can call at any given time during the week to schedule a time for confession.

During Lent, Father will be hearing confessions every Friday from 5:30 PM till 6:15 PM in the cry room (prior to stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM)

Devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: You are all invited to a Holy Mass dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on every first Friday of each month. Next will be: **Friday the 5th of April 2019 at 07:00PM** followed by a Eucharistic adoration (it will replace Stations of the Cross during Lent).

Houses blessing: Dear Parishioners, if you want your house to be blessed please let Father Mikael know. House blessing is an important instrument in the Church used to know people better and preferably have the whole family gathered in one place to meet the family especially those who comes less to services or prefer not to stay for social hours.

Eparchial Youth Spiritual retreat and annual Convention 2019: the upcoming Eparchy Youth Spiritual Retreat and Annual Conference which this year will be hosted by Our Lady of Nareg Parish in Montreal/Canada. The dates are: The Youth Spiritual Retreat on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of June 28-29-30, 2019, and the Eparchy Conference on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of July 1-2-3, 2019. A detailed information about the Hotel and the Retreat Center and program will be transmitted in a future email.

This year's central Theme will be: Prayer, Virgin Mary and Rosary: "A Community that Prays Together Stays Together".

Holy Cross Choir Rehearsal: New members of all age groups are invited and welcome to join.



HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
ANNUAL LENTEN LUNCHEON

ORGANIZED BY THE LADIES' GUILD



SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2019

FOLLOWING HIGH MASS

AT THE NISHAN AND MARGRIT ATINIZIAN HALL

200 LEXINGTON STREET, BELMONT, MA

Come and enjoy our famous delicious VOSBOV KEOFTE and TAHINI BREAD

Followed by A Brief Cultural Program

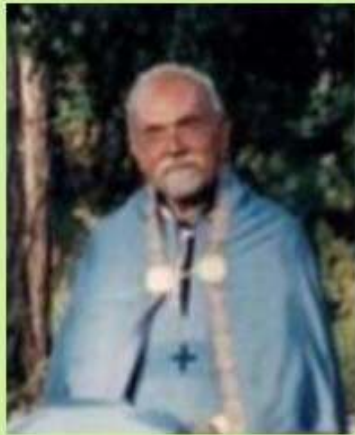
Donation: Adults \$20

Children Under Ten: \$10

For Tickets and Reservations Please Call

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St. Gregoire School Alumni and Scouts

Request your Presence
to the
Holy Mass Commemorating the Centenary of Our Beloved

Rev. Father Sahak Keshishian, sj

Principal and Spiritual Leader of St. Gregory School and Scouts (1960-1998)
Ashrafieh-Lebanon

Holy Cross Armenian Catholic Church

Sunday March 10, 2019 at 10:30 am
200 Lexington Street
Belmont, MA 02478

Coffee and Desserts will be served after Mass in the Church Hall

Father Sahag Keshishian was born December 15th, 1917 in the city of Marash in Cilicia. After the Genocide, in 1922 the Keshishian family moved to Aleppo, then to Damascus in 1923 where Sahag Keshishian received his Jesuit Armenian French school education between 1926 to 1931. He received his secondary education in Beirut at St. Joseph College between 1931-1936 where he found his deep calling for priesthood.



***Fr. Sahag Keshishian
1917 - 2005***

On October 31st, 1948 he was ordained a priest by His Eminence Cardinal Gregory Aghadjanian. In 1952 he was appointed as the principle of St. Vartan Jesuit school in Aleppo until 1960, after which Fr. Sahag was transferred to Beirut as the principle of St. Gregory the Illuminator School for 38 years. From 1949 to 1960 he was the spiritual father of scouts in

Aleppo and continued on being spiritual father of St. Gregory school scouts from 1960 to 1999 in Beirut.

Since 1967, Fr. Sahag visited Armenia 23 times and especially St. Mesrob Mashdotz museum of Armenian Manuscripts. Fr. Sahag Keshishian had a rich and fruitful scholarly life, where he authored many books and notably translated the Lamentations of St. Gregory of Narek" in 1961, St. Nerses Illuminator "Jesus Son" in 1973, Grieving Etesian in 1974 and Nerses Lapronatzi's "Interpretation of Divine Liturgy" in 2000, and Fr. Sahag eternally rested in peace on August 24th, 2005.

His Beatitude Gregory Peter Ghabroyan Patriarch, Catholicos of the Armenian Catholics, to recommend Father Sahag Keshishian as a candidate to be beatified and possibly promoted to sainthood in the future.