Fourth Sunday of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? And I trust that you will discover that we have not failed the test. Now we pray to God that you will not do anything wrong—not so that people will see that we have stood the test but so that you will do what is right even though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. We are glad whenever we are weak but you are strong; and our prayer is that you may be fully restored. This is why I write these things when I am absent, that when I come I may not have to be harsh in my use of authority—the authority the Lord gave me for building you up, not for tearing you down.

Final Greetings

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with a holy kiss. All God’s people here send their greetings.
The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Mark 11:27-33

The Authority of Jesus Questioned

They arrived again in Jerusalem, and while Jesus was walking in the temple courts, the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders came to him. "By what authority are you doing these things?" they asked. "And who gave you authority to do this?"

Jesus replied, "I will ask you one question. Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I am doing these things. John’s baptism—was it from heaven, or of human origin? Tell me!"

They discussed it among themselves and said, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will ask, 'Then why didn’t you believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin' . . . " (They feared the people, for everyone held that John really was a prophet.)

So they answered Jesus, "We don’t know."

Jesus said, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things."

Commemoration of Christ’s seventy-two Disciples

Besides the 12 Apostles, Jesus also had 72 disciples, whom he sent to "preach the Good News to all nations". Unfortunately, those disciples’ names are not mentioned in the Gospels. In the New Testament the word "disciple" is used of the followers of the Jesus Christ. Christ sent out his apostles and disciples "like lambs among wolves" two by two, to go ahead of him to every town and place where he himself was about to go, saying them: "Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me . . . " (The Gospel according to Luke 10:16). There are hardly any differences between the 12 apostles and the 72 disciples, they have the same power and authority and the same mission (The Gospel according to Luke 10:9; 9:1). However, the names of all 72 disciples, like the names of the 40 innocent children martyred in Bethlehem, are known to God only and are written in the sacred book of the Heavenly Kingdom.

Holy Translators Day

There will be an Episcopal Liturgy and traditional blessing of students and pupils' of our community in London celebrating the feast of Holy Translators at St. Yeghiche Armenian Church on October 13th, 2019.

We invite and kindly ask from all Parents and Grandparents to bring their children and Grandchildren to St Yeghiche Armenian Church on the day, and participate in the Divine Liturgy and be ready to receive Holy Communion and blessing from His Grace, Bishop Hovakim Manukyan.

This is a long established tradition which we are sure you do remember visiting your local churches at the start of the academic year to celebrate the gift the Holy Translators left us and enriched our believe in God and Armenian language. Let us pass this to our children and youth in order to keep the memory of the Holy Translators and their immeasurable work alive in our national heritage and Prayers.

For the occasion the Ladies Guild of St Yeghiche Armenian Church have organised Festive Lunch at Navasartian Centre with traditional Armenian dishes from all regions of Armenian Diaspora. Please join and celebrate with a fun full afternoon starting from 2:30 pm. See Flyer for more info.
This weeks message from our Priest in Charge.
Repose of the soul service at St Yeghiche Armenian Church is requested:

By the Manoukian Family for the soul of their Father and Grandfather the late YEGHICHE MANOUKIAN (Եղիշէ ՄաՆուկեան) on the 25th anniversary memorial of his passing, and for all the old and new deceased members of the MANOUKIAN Family.

May the Lord rest the souls of the deceased members of our community in peace and console their loved ones with the comforting power of His Holy Spirit.

Please Pray For Our Sick: Please notify the Pastor whenever you know of anyone who is sick, whether at home or in the hospital. Let us pray for one another

Rev Fr Nshan Alaverdyan is available to visit parishioners in the hospital, nursing homes, or home visitations. He is also available to conduct Home Blessings, administering Holy Communion, consultations and other sacramental needs. Please call the church office at 020 7373 8133 or Fr Nshan at 07548 777 147.

ENQUIRIES:

For ecclesiastical/parish matters including requests for Christenings, Home Blessing (Dnorhnek), Donations in Lieu of Flowers, arrangements for Marriages and other church administrative matters please contact Mr Viken Haladjian, phone: 07970 146 280 or 020 7373 8133 or by emailing info@styeghiche.org.uk
Alternatively please approach a member of the Parish Council at church every Sunday after Badarak.

Requiem Service (Hokehankisad)
For Requiem Service (Hokehankisad), please call the church office at 020 7373 8133, or e-mail us your request to info@styeghiche.org.uk by Thursday, in order to include the name(s) of your beloved one(s) in the Sunday bulletin. There is no set monetary amount for requesting Hokehankisad; any amount donated is appropriate and appreciated. Please remember our Church in your prayers. Your kind donations are gratefully accepted.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish Council would like to invite members of the Armenian community to become registered members and take part in Parish activities. Become a dues paying member and let your voice be heard, be eligible to vote and be elected to one of Parish offices. Please contact a member of the Parish Council at the side entrance desk of the Church or visit our website www.styeghiche.org.uk

St Yeghiche Parish Council appeals to all members for prompt payment of their annual membership dues and generous donations, thus saving your parish administrative and postage costs.

Please hand in your membership dues and donations to the members of the Parish Council at the side entrance desk of the Church. Alternatively please post your cheque to: St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish, 13b Cranley Gardens, Kensington, London, SW7 3BB. Please make your cheques pay-able to: “St Yeghiche Armenian Church”. You can also pay by bank transfer to St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish Ltd Account at: HSBC, Acc.no: 42674432, Sort code: 40-02-26, IBAN: GB13HBUK40022642674432, BIC: HBUKGB4106F

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