

# A Great Start For 2026 Pledge Stewardship

So far, we have 70 pledges for \$153,550 towards 2026. *May the Lord bless all our offerings!*



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## Annual Parish Assembly-Sunday Feb. 8th

If you or someone you know feels called to run for office at our upcoming parish assembly, please contact nominating committee members Alysia Ekizian, Tanya Sarafian, Arsen Sahakyan or Fr. Hovnan. They will share elected officers' duties and ask for biographical info. to publish for the election. We invite all parishioners to participate in our annual assembly on Sunday Feb. 8th at 12:30pm; our church only thrives by your involvement and God's blessing!

## Super Bowl Watch Party-Sunday Feb. 8th

The men's fellowship team is again planning a Super Bowl Party at St. Hagop on Feb. 8th, starting at 6PM. Appetizers, snacks and drinks will be provided. Admission is free, donations are welcome. Contact Sason Demirjian at church or via email at [sasoni@yahoo.com](mailto:sasoni@yahoo.com) if you are interested in attending.

## Assisted Listening Capabilities

For parishioners with hearing aids, we now have assisted listening capabilities, to link phones/hearing aids to a no delay audio stream. To access the stream: 1) Download the [AudioFetch](#) App onto your phone 2) Connect to the [Church](#) wifi network-enter pw: [HolyInternet333](#) 3) Open the AudioFetch app

## Seniors Fellowship

After a fine November Seniors fellowship, we will take a hiatus for the December holidays. Our next fellowship is on Wed. Jan. 21st at noon. Do join us and please contact event chair Sargis Knyazyan [sknyazyan@gmail.com](mailto:sknyazyan@gmail.com) if you would have any ideas or questions about the fellowship moving forward.

## ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## Seventh Sunday of Advent

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January 4, 2026



## ST. HAGOP ADVENT CALENDAR

*Prepare the Way of the Lord*

NOV. 30

Stewardship  
Sunday

DEC. 7

Santa Visits  
St. Hagop

DEC. 10

Advent  
Dinner &  
Service

DEC. 31

New Year's Eve  
Dinner Dance

JAN. 10-11

Armenian  
Christmas Eve &  
Christmas  
Worship

JAN. 18

Taste of  
Armenia Tampa  
Bay

## Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 51:15- 52:3 Hebrews 13:18-25 Luke 22:24-30

## 2026 Christmas Worship Schedule

### Saturday, Jan. 10th—Armenian Christmas Eve Jrakalooyts (Observed)

Armenian Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy 6:30 PM

### Sunday, Jan. 11th—Armenian Christmas (Observed)

Armenian Christmas Divine Liturgy 10:30AM

Blessing of Waters Service & Fellowship 12:30 PM

Godfather of the Blessing of Waters: Dn. Kevork & Marisol Demirjian

## Taste of Armenia Tampa Bay-Sun. Jan. 18th!

Please join your St. Hagop Armenian Church Family as we bring people together in CELEBRATION of our Armenian Culture! Admission is FREE! Guests will enjoy DELICIOUS Armenian Food, LIVE MUSIC, Shopping at Vernissage, Chances to WIN the BIG Raffle, and MORE! To volunteer or supporting this amazing event in other ways, please call/text Scott & Raelene Ohanesian Pullen at 813.421.4319 or email [Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com](mailto:Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com).

## Women's Guild Annual Luncheon-Jan. 31st

*The St. Hagop Women's Guild cordially invites you to their Annual Luncheon!*

**When:** Saturday, Jan 31st, 2026, 11:30am-2:30pm

**Where:** Island Way Grill, 20 Island Way, Clearwater, FL 33767

**Donation:** \$40.00 **RSVP:** by Jan 24th to Rita at 516-312-6274 or [rita\\_keshishian@hotmail.com](mailto:rita_keshishian@hotmail.com) Gentlemen are welcome! Free parking.

## Invitation to Host Coffee Hour Fellowship

The Women's Guild invites you to host fellowship after church, be that in honor of someone (birthday or milestone), a memorial (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 Our Fast Growing Sunday School!

Calling all parents of youth ages 5-9! Join us every Sunday for interactive lessons on church & Armenian culture. Our classroom is for ages 5-9. Sunday School starts at 11:00 sharp (room opens at 10:45). After a 45 minute lesson, children will worship in church. We look forward to seeing our young families this year! If you have questions, contact [sundayschool@sthagopfl.org](mailto:sundayschool@sthagopfl.org). Thanks to our parents and teachers, our school continues to grow. Join us!

## New Armenian Church Arts Program-Ages 10-17

Our new church arts program is up and running! Chaired by Stepan Aghekyan and designed for youth ages 10-17, it features Armenian art and culture-themed sessions on various topics, aiming to educate, inspire and engage our youth in the life of the Church. Our first module is Armenian Cuisine. Future modules include painting, music, photography & design. Contact Stepan Agekyan at [arts@sthagopfl.org](mailto:arts@sthagopfl.org) for questions or support.



## Services and Events

Sun. Jan. 4th	Divine Liturgy Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Jan. 5th & 6th	No Services at St. Hagop-Church Open for Prayer Jan 6th	
Sat. Jan. 10th	Armenian Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy (Observed)	6:30pm-8:00pm
Sun. Jan. 11th	Divine Liturgy-Arm. Christmas (Observed) Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Blessing of Waters & Special Coffee Hour Fellowship in Hall	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00pm 12:15pm-2:00pm
Tue. Jan. 13th	Parish Council Meeting	6:00pm-8:00pm



## 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 [Rita\\_Keshishian@hotmail.com](mailto:Rita_Keshishian@hotmail.com) if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.

## Requiem Prayers for January

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:

**Jacques Azadian, Marie Banjarjian Nalbandian, George Cross, Adrienne Guendjoian, George Hekimian, Albert Hintlian, Ed Kazanjian, Robert Koolakian, Avedis Mangasar, Christine Martin, Tobe Mashikian, Elizabeth Melidosian, Alyce Miller, Carolyn Saharian, Stefan Talatinian, John Tokmajian, Mitchell H Topalian, Jonathon Vogel and Haig Yaghoobian**

Your prayers are requested today for the soul of **James Begian** by Chuck & Lisa Begian and family on the five year memorial of his 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 Lil Kazarian, James Wilson, Jacqueline Kamajian, Haig Yardumian, Sharon Sarkisian, Bruce Ryder, Vaheh Mokhtarians, Martha Ann Garabedian, Jane Holden, Gayane Danelian, Michele Fender, Andrea Zehnder, Patty Arakelian, Stephen Hazerjian, Kamo Gyularian, Adrienne Ekizian, Aggie Ellian, 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 greeting is:

**Քրիստոս ի մեջ մեր յայտնեցաւ:**

Krisdos ee mech mer haydnestav.

Christ is revealed among us.

### The response is:

**Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնս քրիստոսի:**

Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.

Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.