

# A Great Start For 2026 Pledge Stewardship

So far, we have 78 pledges for \$172,280 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.

## 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.

## Armenian Christmas Greeting

Քրիստոս ծնաւ եւ Յայտնեցաւ  
Kristos tsnav yev haydnetsav  
Christ is born and revealed

Օրհնեալ է Յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի  
Orhneal eh haydnutyunn Kristosi  
Blessed is the revelation of Christ.

## ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## Baptism of Our Lord-Blessing of Waters Observed

6th Day of Nativity | Զ. Օր Ծննդեան

January 11, 2026



Today's Scripture Readings:  
Titus 2:11-15; Matthew 1:18-25

Readings for Blessing of Waters:  
1 Corinthians 10:1-4; Matthew 3:1-17



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 by Hye Vibes of Chicago, Shopping at Vernissage, Chances to WIN the BIG Raffle, and MORE! To volunteer or support this amazing event, join event chair Raelene and all organizers/volunteers for a meeting after church and fellowship!

For those hosting a booth at the Festival’s Vernissage/Market, you must register by today Jan. 11th! Contact: Lusine Sahakyan at 656-666-5729. The fee per booth is \$50. First come, first serve. Your check is your registration.

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.

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.

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@stthagopfl.org](mailto:sundayschool@stthagopfl.org). hanks 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@stthagopfl.org](mailto:arts@stthagopfl.org) for questions or support.



Services and Events

Sun. Jan. 11th	Divine Liturgy-Arm. Christmas (Observed) Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Water Blessing -Godfather Dn. Kevork & Marisol Demirjian Special Catered Coffee Hour Fellowship in Hall	10:30am-12:30pm 11:00-12/1:00pm 12:15pm-12:30pm 12:30pm-2:00pm
Tue. Jan. 13th	Parish Council Meeting	6:00pm-8:00pm
Sun. Jan 18th	Divine Liturgy Sunday School/Youth Arts Program	10:30am-12:00pm 11:00am-12:00pm
<b>Sun. Jan 18th</b>	<b>Taste of Armenia Tampa Bay</b>	<b>12:00pm-6:00pm</b>



St. Hagop Printed Directory Opt-In

We invite you to opt-in to sharing your address & phone number(s) in our upcoming parish directory! If you have an email on file, you have received an email invitation from Fr. Hovnan you to opt in and confirm your contact information. Opt-in by replying to that personalized email. Contact Fr. Hovnan by email/phone or in person if you have questions. The directory will be print only, and will only include those who opt-in to share their contacts.

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, Prudence Mazmanian Sousa, Stefan Talatinian, John Tokmajian, Mitchell H Topalian, Jonathon Vogel and Haig Yaghoobian**

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, Sam Kapreilian, 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 յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:**  
Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.  
Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.