

Gratitude for 2026 Stewards & Completing Your Pledge

Blessings from God and much gratitude for the 114 stewards who gave \$217,500 to our church in 2026, along with countless hours of care and prayer. To close out your 2026 pledge, just make a payment online or by check by December 31st . Please note our Stewardship 2027 schedule below:

In prayerful consideration
and my commitment to

My/Our Stewardship

\$ _____, given ()

☐ Yes, please issue me offering card

I/we wish to support St. Hagop

Signature: _____

Name(s): _____

Phone/Email: _____



Stewardship 2027 Schedule

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

- November 8th Parishioner Testimonial 2
- November 16th 2027 Pledge Cards Mailed
- November 22nd Stewardship Sermon 2
- November 27th Thanksgiving Day
- November 29th Pledge Sunday
- December 6th Parishioner Testimonial 3 (TBD)
- December 20th Deadline Return Pledge Cards

St. Hagop Teen Youth Group

Building off last year's program, our teens are meeting monthly for worship & programming, next meeting is on Sun. Nov. 22nd with academic coach and advisor Alysia Ekizian. Families are encouraged to attend Badarak with their children ages 14-21, youth will then meet in Shahnasarian hall thereafter. Thanks to our organizers Sarkis & Chris, please contact Sarkis sknyazyan@gmail.com with questions or input.

Families Worship Together-Lesson to Follow!

Welcome all! This year, returning to our tradition, families will attend badarak together with a short Sunday school lessons to follow. reinforcing that Sunday's themes (readings, sermon, etc.). Our kids will also have time to join in the choir, the altar and church life. Our two age groups are 5-8 & 9-14. Contact our new coordinator, Taleen Krikorian, with ideas & questions at 647-886-8174. Badarak has always been our school for all ages, we look forward to a joyful year of learning and growth!

Special Ghapama Fellowship-Sun. Nov. 1st

Join us on Sunday November 1st after worship for our annual Ghapama fellowship; a traditional Armenian celebration of abundance for the whole family. There will be a tavloo tournament and music as well as delicious baked, stuffed pumpkin as per tradition! 'Hey Jan Ghapama.'

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 մէջ մեր յայտնեցաւ: Krisdos ee mech mer haydnestav.	The response is: Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի: Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.
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Seventh Sunday of the Cross-Discovery of the Cross

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October 25, 2026



This Sunday’s Readings:

Isaiah 33:22-34:1 1 Corinthians 1:18-24 Matthew 24:27-36

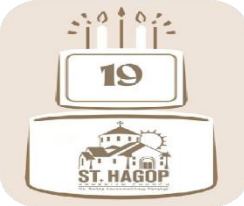
This Week’s Saints & Feasts:

- 10/26 - Saints Anastasius the Priest, Varus, Theodota & her sons, those who martyred with her
- 10/27- Saints Huperichians who were martyred in Samosata
- 10/29 - Saint John Chrysostom, Patriarch
- 10/31- Feast of All Saints, the old and the new, the known and the unknown



Save the Date Taste of Armenia-Jan 17th, 2027

Last year’s first ever Taste of Armenia Tampa Bay, led by Raelene & Scott Pullen, was a great success and blessing to all who participated! Save the date to get your self, family, friends & neighbors to this year’s celebration of all things Armenian! Raelene will contact last year’s wonderful volunteers & sponsors and welcomes new volunteers & sponsors this year! Contact Raelene for info. ideas & questions: 813.421.4319 or Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com.



St. Hagop Consecration 19th Anniversary!

Join us on Sunday October 25th for worship and a catered food fellowship in Shahnasarian Hall to celebrate the 19th anniversary of the consecration of our church! Special thanks to our sponsors Michael & Jean Shahnasarian and organizers on the events committee. Join us for food, a champagne toast and cake after giving thanks to God for our beloved church community!



Armenian Dance Club for Young Ladies

We are pleased to announce Armenian Dance Club at St. Hagop for young ladies ages 8–14. Participants will learn a traditional Armenian dance.

Class Dates: Sundays, October 18th-Jan 10th **Class Time:** 1–2 pm **Instructor:** Lena Safarian **Performance:** Taste of Armenia!-Jan 17th

To register or for more information, text/call Lena at (516) 729-4742.



Living Into the Armenian Church Year

Brand new this year is something quite old! We’re inviting all ages to grow in wisdom in the ancient school of Sunday Badarak & the sacred calendar. To help you live into this blessing, we've developed a website providing readings, lessons, saints & hymns for each Sunday of the year. We hope you will reference it often-before & after each Sunday-as we add content and you live into the blessed rhythms of the year! www.livingchurchyear.org



New Years Eve Dinner Dance

Join us in the Shahnasarian Hall for a New Year’s Eve celebration! See eblast or website to purchase tickets online or pre-pay by check to St. Hagop, memo: ‘New Years’. Questions?: Contact Lusine at events@stthagopfl.org.

Where: Shahnasarian Hall 7020 90th Ave, Pinellas Park, FL 33782
When: Wed. Dec. 31st Doors Open: 7PM | Dinner: 8PM | Dance: 9PM-1AM
Tickets: \$85/adult, \$40/youth aged 6-15. Tickets not sold at the door!



Advent Candlelight Dinner-Wed. Dec. 9th

Come All Ye Faithful! Join us for a candlelight dinner and program on Wed. Dec 9th from 6:30-8:30 pm. A catered dinner will be served in the Shahnasarian Hall, followed by the Advent Program in the Sanctuary. Our topic is “God Keeps His Promises” with speakers reflecting on trusting the promise of God in times of trial. Please contact Alysia asekizian@gmail.com if you have any questions. Due to the committed stewardship of the parish, admission is free.

Services & Events

Sun. Oct. 25th	Divine Liturgy-Family Worship Sunday School Lesson Special Fellowship Celebrating St. Hagop's 19th!	10:30-12:15 pm 12:15-12:45 pm 12:15-1:30 pm
Sun. Nov. 1 st	Divine Liturgy-Family Worship Sunday School Lesson Special Ghapama Fellowship & Tavloo Tournament	10:30-12:15 pm 12:15-12:45 pm 12:15-1:30 pm

Requiem Prayers for October

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:

Elise Amboyan, Arpine Avedikian, Araxsi Bannayan, Isgouhi Barsoumian, Ed Derian, Mary Enkababian, Anahid Garabedian, Arshaloos Ikizian, Leonetta Kachadurian, Agop Kassarian, Frances Korkoian, Richard Maksian, Richard Mangerian, Virginia Messerlian, Haig Mouradian, Nazar Nalbandian, Hermine Pechdimaldji, Peter Bich Phung, Vladimir Saakyan, Alexander Sargsyan, Edward Sarkisian, Azniv Serpekian, George Shahnasarian, Andrej Stojanovic, Jacqueline Vartanian and Charlie Walker

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 Martha Ann Garabedian, Deborah Dakhlian, Roger Gee, Adrienne Ekizian, Marine Vardanian, Alex Shvorak, Bruce Ryder, Gayane Danelian, Michele Fender, Andrea Zehnder, Patty Arakelian, Kamo Gyularian, Aggie Ellian and Charles, Harold & Tanina Garabedian.



Offer Church Readings-Lector Ministry

Readings from Holy Scripture, delivered in English by lay members of our congregation, comprise an important part of our Badarak worship service. If you feel called to share the word of God on Sundays, we’ll provide quick training and add you to our directory of lectors. For more information contact Karen Minassian or Michael Shahnasarian.



Invitation to Host Coffee Hour Fellowship

The Women's Guild invites you to host fellowship after church, be that in honor of someone (birthday/milestone), a memorial (hokehankist) or simply to help out. Please speak to Rita Keshishian to sign up. Thanks in advance for taking your turn to serve & lightening the load of our dedicated leaders!



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 Raelene Pullen raelene.pullen@gmail.com if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.