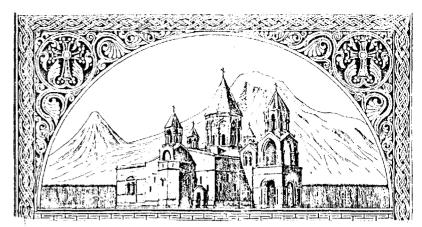
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Feast Of The Exaltation Of The Holy Cross



SEPTEMBER 1978

### CALENDAR

### AUGUST

22 - Sts. Joachim & Anna, Parents of St. Mary 27 - Third Sunday of the Assumption

3 - Feast of the Birth of St. Mary
9 - 318 Fathers of Council of Nicaea (325 A.D.)
10 - Fifth Sunday of the Assumption
17 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross
30 - St. George the Captain

### ցև <u>ՅՏԱՐԱՐՈՒԹԻ ԻՆՆԵՐ</u>

- Նոյն օրը,Ս.Պատարագէն եւ Ջահանայական Ձեռնադրու-Թիւնէն վերջ,ցաղաքիս ԶՈՄՕ ճաշարանին մէջ ճաշկերոյԹ պիտի տրուի Եկեղեցւոյ ՀիմնադրուԹեան 25-ամեակի առԹիւ,ինչպէս նաեւ Ի պատիւ Սրբազան Հօր։ Սի– րով կը հրաւիրենք բոլորին ներկայ գտնուելու համար Ս.Պատարագի եւ ՁեռնադրուԹեան "արարողուԹեանց,ինչպէս նաեւ ճաշկերոյԹին։
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- նթիր դաշտա շարմքոիր Դաֆսմուկարոն շաղան։ ամքա այս երք դիւետամքո օգարմակեցիր ընթմբ եւսյո ջալուեյիւր ին Դահտրք եսքսն արսթա՝ սևսթան եր ճանսԴա-- բնթմբ առուս ընթակար թուրչունքը ղադրուսն չասև շարա
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## NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

N THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 23 & 24, 1978

ON THE OCCASION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF ST. SARKIS CHURCH

TO THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD

ORDINATION

AND THE

DEACON VATCHE NALBANDIAN

SEPTEMBER 23, 1978 - SATURDAY EVENING AT 7:30 P.M.
"GOCHOOM" - CALLING OF THE ORDÁINBDA [>
Reception by Organizations of the Church in th
GHURCH HALL after Service

SEPTEMBER 24, 1978 - SUNDAY MATINS AT 10:00 A.M. PONTIFICAL DIVINE LITURGY AND ORDINATION AT 10:30 A.M.

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St. George is always represented as a horseman killing a monster or dragon. This is symbolic, representing St. George fighting against the powers of evil, against injustice, and for the liberty of human conscience.

### SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

3 - SUNDAY - No Church Services

10 - SUNDAY - Services at 11:00 A.M.

17 - SUNDAY - No Church Services

CHURCH SCHOOL (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

STARTS AT 11:00 A.M. FOR THE

1978 - 79 SCHOOL YEAR

24 - SUNDAY - DIVINE LITURGY - SOORP BADARAK
AT 10:30 A.M. Celebrant will be
the PRIMATE - Archbishop Torkom
Manoogian assisted by Very Rev.
Fr. Khajag Barsamian. During
the Badarak, Deacon Vatche
Nalbandian will be Ordained to

the Holy Priesthood.

ETCHMIADZIN - The new name chosen for our monthly bulletin. Etchmiadzin is the 4th biggest city in present day Armenia. It is the place of the Patriarchal - Mother See of the Armenian Church. The Seat of the Catholicos has rested there continuously for centuries. It was founded in the year 301 by St. Gregory the Illuminator. In the past Etchmiadzin has been the source of strength and unity to the Armenian people in religious, political, artistic, and many other aspects of life. It continues to hold a place of homor and esteem to all Armenians everywhere. Etchmiadzin is the source of 'Light' to the Armenian people.

The PICNIC Committee wishes to thank all who worked so hard to make this years picnic a great success.

We gratefully acknowledge the donations made by the following members, friends and businesses. We urge our people to support those who support our Church.

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# HIS EMINENCE, ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, Primate DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

# aint Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church

## EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Cross is such an important symbol to the Church that our early Fathers had special feast days set aside dedicated to the Holy Cross. In the Armenian Church there are four feasts of the Holy Cross.

	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	629 A.D.
-	Holy Cross of Varak	650 A.D.
	Discovery of the Holy Cross	327 A.D.
	Apparition of the Holy Cross	351 A.D.

The greatest of these is the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Church observes this feast on the Sunday nearest Sept. 14. The Exaltation is a 'Daghavar' feast. On the day of the feast there is a procession and 'Antasdan', the blessing of the four corners of the world. In the 7th century the Persians captured the Cross of our Lord after devastating the city of Jerusalem. Emperor Heracles fought (610-641) against the Persians and liberated the Cross. Upon its return to Jerusalem the Cross was exalted before the Christian inhabitants with solemn celebration and much rejoicing. The Holy Cross was carried from Persia through Armenia, and the Armenian army participated in regaining the Holy Cross from pagan captivity.

### St. GEORGE

St. George has been classed from the earliest times as being among the greatest saints and martyrs of the Church. In spite of his popularity in both the East and the West, we do not know much about his life except that he was a high ranking officer in the Roman army towards the end of the 3rd century. He wasabrave soldier as well as a virtuous Christian. He openly protested the persecution of Christians ordered by Emperor Diocletian, tearing down the Imperial order of persecution which was posted in the streets of Antioch. Summoned before the imperial court, he bravely defended his religion and showed the falsehood of paganism and the injustice of the persecutions. For his outspoken courage he was beheaded after enduring terrible tortures, in the year 303.