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ARMENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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World Youth Day is a great pilgrimage that takes place usually every 3 years in different countries from all over the world. It is a big Celebration for young youth where they come together to learn about Christ and about his importance in our lives. This idea of world youth day was initially launched by his Holiness the latest John Paul the second in 1984 when the first world youth day actually took place in Rome. Through the WYD08 experience, young people from throughout the world will make a pilgrimage in faith, meet, experience hospitality and the love of God through the love of the youth to one another. The young people will have an opportunity to rediscover their baptismal calling and the centrality of the sacraments, the Eucharist, reconciliation and so discover a new apostolic zeal to witness more fully the Gospel in the modern world.

In 2008, it will all be in our land "Australia" more specifically in Sydney and the theme for this world youth day in 2008 is:

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses"

[Acts 1:8]

Starting from this year 2007, the focus is on the Holy Spirit, *Spirit of Love*, who helps us see the needs of our brothers and sisters and urges us to put the Word of God into action through charity. The theme for world youth Day 2008 will help us to understand more that the Holy Spirit, Spirit of courage and witness, awakens

our charity, renews us within and gives us the strength to proclaim and witness to the Gospel. There are so many events coming up leading that big event in 2008. One of these events is the arrival of the cross and icon of our Lady related to the world youth day and this is on the 1st of July this year and from that date onward the cross and icon would be going all around Australia so that people can venerate and have the honour to actually touch and get the blessings and remind them of their own cross that they have to carry.

So, ask your parish priest about more information and find out how you can activate that big event in your parish and be part of it. The church needs you and is calling you to get involved and to spread the word of god to all the earth. You can also visit the WYD08 website on

<http://www.wyd2008.org/index.php/en>

GET ACTIVATED-GET INVOLVED- TO MAKE THE CHURCH GROW

Church Council 40th Anniversary

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The Armenian Catholic Community of Sydney will once again celebrate its Annual dinner Dance on the occasion of the feast of Our Lady of the Assumption on the 4th August 2007. The Community will also celebrate the 40th Anniversary of its Church Council. The Venue will be at the Emporium



Function Centre in Bankstown, and tickets may be secured from any council member or by simply contacting Fr Parsegh during normal business hours.

We will be entertained by the one and only "Karnig" and as a feature attraction "The Hamaskaine Armenian Dance Group" has been secured to entertain us and to show us their amazing skills and acrobatics.

As usual, we are expecting a great demand for thicketts and you would be well advised yours for you and your family friends.

This is a once a year affair and a very special occasion, and we look forward to your wholehearted support. So let us get together and celebrate this wonderful feast together like a big family, it is going to be a great night and you will be sorry if you miss out.

Annual Bazaar

The annual bazaar will be held on the 12th of August 2007 during the Feast of our Church "Our Lady of the Assumption".

We ask our parishioners to keep this date in mind so that we can all participate in this festivity together; this is a happy occasion for our community and we must all join in, in big numbers to celebrate this most important feast day of our Church.

The Ladies auxiliary and the Church Council are tirelessly preparing for this event and as usual it will be a big fun day for all concerned including the Children.

So come along with your family and children and spend the day in the church grounds and catch up with your family and friends.

The Ladies Auxiliary are always looking for help , so if you can help in any way , please talk to Ladies Auxiliary or contact Fr basil , any help would be most welcome.

Entertainment and assorted food and sweets items to tantalise your taste buds would be available, and all we need is for you to join us.

Blessing of the Grapes 12th August 2007

During the Feast of our Lady of the Assumption the grapes will be blessed and as usual we require volunteers from our parish to provide the grapes. All those who wish to donate the grapes please contact Fr Basil at least one week prior to the event.

We hope this year new volunteers will step forward as we would be delighted to see new parishioners participating in this most honourable and generous act.

Hayastan All Armenian Fund Dinner Dance

The Hayastan all Armenian Fund held its annual dinner dance on 16.06.07, the Armenian Catholic Church Council and Fr Parsegh who represents our Community in the above fund have formed part in these celebrations.

The development of the All Armenian Fund is a great mile stone for all the Armenian organizations and the Churches in Australia. To see the various big organizations and Churches "including our Church" in Sydney working together under the one umbrella, warms the heart and it is indeed something to be proud of. This is a step forward and a step in the right direction.

The purpose of the Fund is to Help Armenia by initiating particular projects in Armenia. These projects, when completed, will be financed and paid for by the abovementioned Fund. Therefore it was time to put all their differences aside and concentrate on the needs of our motherland which we all know needs all the help we can give her.

Church Envelopes

We wish to remind our parishioners that the new weekly envelopes for the new financial year are available now. Those who wish to renew their pledge please contact Fr Basil for procuring the new set of envelopes. Please remember, you may increase or decrease your pledge at any time. We would like to encourage our parishioners to adopt this method of contribution to their parish as it allows the Church council and the priest to pre plan future projects. Any effort in this regard would be most appreciated.

Baptism

24.02.07 Antonio Abraham son of Celso & Natalie Abreu

24.03.07 Jasmine daughter of Charlie & Alik Golossian

12.05.07 Tetian & Trystan sons of Gilbert & Gladis Madfouni

10.06.07 Christian Jack son of Raphael & Jacqueline Tarazi

Wedding

Khatchik Ouzounian & Lidia Shakkal were wedded on the 20 May 2007

And we wish the newly weds the best of luck and may the Lord bless them and fill their hearts and home with love and happiness forever.

Funeral

Mr Onnig Jeghelian passed away on 20.05.07. Our sincere condolences to the Jeghelian family and may the Lord give them the patience and comfort to deal with the loss of their beloved patriarch of the Jeghelian family.

Births

Christian first born of George & Joulie Golossian on 20.04.07

Cyrillos 2nd born of George and Lubna Barekhan on 2nd June 2007

Andre first born of Michael & Marie-Louise on the 26th June 2007

Our sincere congratulations to the new parents and we pray to the Lord that they grow in the faith and be an asset to their families and their community.

Rosa Mystica prayer group

The Rosa Mystica prayer group once again have gathered in our church hall for the annual general meeting, and as per previous years has been kind enough to donate \$5000.00 to our Church and a further \$5000.00 to Syrian Catholic church.

We wish to thank the Rosa Mystica once again for their kind gesture and wish the group every success in achieving their goals through their prayers to our Lady.

Acknowledgement

We wish to thank Mr Victor Baraya and family for the beautiful crystal vases which have been decorating our beloved church Altar since Easter. May the Lord Bless this family and may they be recompensed a hundred fold.

DONATION TO THE CHURCH

\$ 300: Mr Ara Stamboulian & Family, Alexis Diodati, George Karabashian,

\$ 200: Mr & Mrs Garo Tcherkezian

\$ 100: Mr Khatchik Markarian & Family, Mr Harout Zeitounian & Family, Mr & Mrs Robert Hazari, Mr & Mrs Albert Dawood, Mr Bashir Babik & Family, Mr Abraham Markarian,

\$ 50: Mr & Mrs George Golossian, Mr & Mrs Sarkis Majarian, , Mrs Angela Philibossian, Mr & Mrs Joseph Deodati, Mr & Mrs Joseph Boladian, Mr & Mrs Minas Babkenian,

HOME BLESSING DONATION

\$ 250: Mr & Mrs Eddy & Meline Nol

\$ 150: Edouard Georgeflie & Emily Hanoun & Family,

\$ 100: Mr Richard Gardner & Family

\$ 50: Mr & Mrs Hagop Benlian, Mr Kevork Benlian & Family, Mrs Jeanette Ayoub & Family,

\$ 40: Mrs Rose Madikian & Family,

\$ 25: Mr & Mrs Sarkis Bedoyan,

In lieu of flowers for the late Loucine Basmajian

\$ 200: Mr Garbis & Sako Basmajian

\$ 100: Armenian Catholic Church Council, Armenian Catholic Church Ladies Auxiliary, Mr & Mrs Zohrab Zeitounian

\$ 50: Mr & Mrs Avedis & Filomen Qasabian, Mr & Mrs Nerses Barsoumian, Mr & Mrs Harout Zeitounian, Mr Bedros Sinian & Family

\$ 30: Mrs Beatrice Bedan

\$ 25: Mr & Mrs Khatchik Markarian

\$ 20: Mr & Mrs Joseph Deodati, Mr & Mrs Sarkis Majarian, Mr & Mrs Onnig Jeghelian.

In lieu of flowers for the late Onnig Jeghelian

\$ 200: Mrs Georgette Jeghelian, Mr & Mrs Eddy & Zepure Jeghelian & Family, Mr & Mrs George & Maida Jeghelian & Family, Mr & Mrs Jean & Elo Vorozian, Tommy Lee & Kim Tren, Mr Kerin Nol.

\$ 100: Armenian Catholic Church Council, Armenian Catholic Church Ladies Auxiliary, Mr & Mrs Papig & Meline Tchakmakjian, Sako Vorozian & Evette Lovet, Joe Stephan & Carmen Vorozian, Mr James Nol & Family.

\$ 50: Mrs Gladis Zeitounian, Mr & Mrs Zohrab Zeitounian, Mr & Mrs Harout Zeitounian, Mr Garbis & Sako Basmajian, Mr & Mrs Harout & Karol Tarakjian, Mr & Mrs Hratch & Taline Garabedian, Mr & Mrs Hagop Guvlekjian, Mr & Mrs Edgar Francis, Jacob & Elie Babik, Mr Nicola Nol, Elie & Jean-dark Francis, Mr & Mrs Salem Issa, Mr & Mrs Avedis & Filomen Qasabian, Mrs Mary Issa, Mr & Mrs Noubar Sarkissian, Mr & Mrs Garo & Christine Tcherkejian, Mr & Mrs Gabi Issa, Mr Bedros Sinian.

\$ 40: Mrs Denisa Smeu-Kinteanu

\$ 30: Harout & Ani Levonian, Mr & Mrs Raffi & Maro Kahramanian, Mr & Mrs Vicken Fattouhian, Mr & Mrs Raffi Fattouh.

\$ 25: Mrs Zabe Ghiroyan, Mrs Salpy Levonian, Mrs Angel Philibossian, Arsho & Marie Tchorbedirian.

\$ 20: Mr & Mrs Simon Varbedian, Mr & Mrs Khatchik Majarian, Mr & Mrs Sarkis Majarian, Mr & Mrs Buddy Maria Stephan, Mrs Azadouhi & Anne Levonian, Mr & Mrs Gerard Francis, Mr & Mrs Habib Nasser, Mr & Mrs Hovhannes Asmarian. Mrs Loucine Tchaprazian, Mrs Jenie Tavitian, Mr & Mrs Terry Proser.

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ARMENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH COUNCIL'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

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DINNER DANCE

Տեղի կունկնդայ Շարաք 4-8-2007 երեկոյեան ժամը 7:30ին
Saturday 4th August 2007 at 7:30pm

EMPORIUM FUNCTION CENTRE
Level 1 /258 South Terrace, Bankstown

Entertainment: Karnig & Hovik
Hamazkaïen Armenian Dance Group (Sevan Chapter)

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