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St. Sarkis Armenian Church Santa Clarita

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Sunday, August 23, 2026

Bible Reading

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

16 And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you[a] are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God,

And they shall be My people.” 17 Therefore

“Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.”

18 “I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the Lord Almighty.” The Corinthians’ Repentance

7 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Luke 1:39-56

Mary Visits Elizabeth

39 Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, 40 and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. 41 And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

42 Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! 43 But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? 44 For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. 45 Blessed is she who [a]believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord.”

**Feast of the Assumption of the Holy Mother of
God**

(We continue to celebrate for 9 days)

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Catholicos Nerses IV the Gracious (Shnorhali) formally lengthened the festive period and its associated observances to a full nine days to deepen spiritual reflection.

Our spiritual reflection should be concentrated around St. Mary as the mother of our Savior. St. Mary was the one who took

care of the salvation of humankind, because she took care of Newborn baby Jesus the Son of God.

So the Mother of God took care of our life and salvation. She is Mother to all people because she implemented all the messages that Jesus gave His disciples and everyone who listened to Him. In John 21 we read: "Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The care of the Mother of God was exceptional and irreplaceable. She was an exemplary being in this sense. We should learn from her to take care of each other and love this world and Jesus as she loved.

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St. Sarkis Programs & Events:

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classes

Bible Study Wednesday
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