



St. Peter Armenian Church Սուրբ Պետրոս Հայաստանաց Եկեղեցի

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... the Family Church on the Hill

Hon. Charles Patricelli
City of Watervliet
2 Fifteenth Street
Watervliet, NY 12189

March 1, 2022

Dear Mayor Patricelli,

A tradition of the St. Peter Armenian Church for many, many years has been its annual "Armenian Festival." Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this annual community event was changed to a series of drive-thru dinners for the past two years.

At this time, we are moving forward to returning to our traditional (in-person) Festival, expanding it to a three-day event: Friday, June 3, 5-9pm; Saturday, June 4, 12-7pm, and Sunday, June 5, from 12-2pm.

The Armenian Festival brings the rich ethnic heritage of the Armenian people to the community through its food, music, culture, and welcoming family atmosphere. In preparation for this event, we will be applying for a temporary beer and wine license and will be selling bottled beer and wine by the glass only. In compliance with the application process, it is requested that we have a statement from our local police jurisdiction that it is aware of the event and that alcoholic beverages will be sold.

For your information, the beer and wine will be sold from a single vending location on the rear grounds of the property. All individuals responsible for beer and wine sales will be age 21 or over and will be instructed prior to working at that area not to sell alcoholic beverages to individuals under the age of 21. All patrons will be asked to provide photo identification verifying their age. The age requirement will be posted at the vending location along with the request to have proper ID ready to show servers.

Members of the church's Parish Council will be the primary individuals responsible for the security at the event. They will assure that there is no inappropriate behavior or activity taking place. The Watervliet Police Department would be welcomed to provide sporadic patrols during the event as well.

At your earliest convenience, please provide a letter of acknowledgment and consent of our event to accompany our application for the Temporary Beer and Wine license. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at the church office.

Also, for your information, as an additional form of fundraising for the Festival event, a raffle will be held with tickets being sold primarily to parishioners and their friends, family and co-workers. The appropriate permit for conducting such a raffle has been obtained from the State of New York Racing and Wagering Board. For your reference and verification, our assigned Games of Chance Identification Number is GC-01-103-099-09504. Please also contact the church office if you require any further information regarding this raffle.

Sincerely,

Lori L. Payette
Church Office Manager