

The ALLARC offers the following services:

## ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

### General Programs for Adults

"Mesrob Mashdotz Institute" -- An extensive, 25-week long Armenian language course named for the inventor of the Armenian alphabet, Mesrob Mashdots (later canonized), in 404 A.D. Emphasis on reading, writing and speaking one of the world's most ancient languages. Curriculum for all levels: beginning, intermediate, advanced. From the basics of the spoken and written language for beginners, to in-depth readings of poetry and literature by noted Armenian authors for advanced students. The Course is programmed for presentation at the Language Lab, or for use in Diocesan parishes.

"The Armenian and His Culture" -- The Ayvazian/Bedrosian Armenian Studies Program, presented at the Language Lab. An annual one-week, 16-course program for individuals versed in the Armenian language. Limited to 15 adults; graduates are entitled to three credits accorded by the Social Studies Department of St. Peter's Jesuit College, Jersey City, N.J. The courses are conducted by noted lecturers and professors from major colleges and universities, all experts in the respective fields of religion, history, music, art, sociology and psychology.

\* "Armenia-Armenians: 10,000 Years of History in 10 Hours" -- A full day of lectures, in English, on religion, history, language and culture. From the ancient Urartians in 600 B.C., to the conversion to Christianity of King Tiridates II in 301 A.D., the founding of Holy Etchmiadzin, the Great Armenian Empire, the succession of invasions, the Genocide by the Ottoman Turks (1915 - 1923). A kaleidoscope of Armenology presented by noted authorities, all experts in the respective disciplines.

"Adopt Us" -- An Armenian-English correspondence course, featuring the folk heroes, Ara and Maral. Learn the 38 letters of the Armenian alphabet and commonly-used words in just 15 minutes a day over a period of 10 weeks. Crossword puzzles in Armenian add to the fun of learning.

\* "Armenian Crash Course" -- An intensive full-day of immersion in Armenian. Objective: to learn the letters of the alphabet and at least 300 complete sentences in common usage. Includes lectures on Armenian Church history and the Genocide. Presented in English at the Language Lab and dedicated to the memory of the Armenian Martyrs of the Genocide.