### **MESSAGE**

His Holiness Karekin I

CHOIR:

"Etchmiadzin Cantata"

DEACON:

# **BIDDING**

By the holy cross let us beseech the Lord, that he may thereby deliver us from sins and may save us by the grace of his mercy.

Almighty Lord our God, save us and have mercy.

HIS HOLINESS:

#### COLLECT

Guard us, O Christ our God, under the shadow of thine holy and precious cross in peace. Deliver us from enemies visible and invisible. Make us worthy to give thanks to thee and to glorify thee with the Father and with the Holy Spirit, now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen

CHOIR:

# "Hayr Mer"

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

#### HIS HOLINESS:

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

# **BLESSING**

Be ye blessed by the grace of the Holy Spirit. Depart in peace and the Lord be with you all. Amen.

# THE OFFICE OF ADORATION OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH



ON THE OCCASION OF THE PONTIFICAL VISIT OF

His Holiness Karekin I Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians

DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA
HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE

St. Vartan Cathedral New York City

JANUARY 10, 1996 7:00 P.M.

KHOREN MEIKHANEDJIAN—CHOIR DIRECTOR
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### **PROCESSIONAL**

CHOIR:

# "Hrashapar"

Wondrously glorious and ever-beneficent God, who by thy foreknowledge did ordain the salvation of the Armenian people and did give us an Enlightener from the sinful Parthian family, through whose intercession, O Saviour, save us now and at thine awesome coming. Heavenly King, preserve thy church unshaken and keep the worshippers of thy name in peace.

# "Oorakh Ler Soorb Yegeghetzi"

Rejoice, O holy Church, for Christ the King of heaven today has crowned thee with his cross and has embellished thy limbs with his wonderful glory.

# OFFICE OF ADORATION ON ENTERING THE CHURCH

HIS HOLINESS AND A BISHOP, IN ANTIPHON:

#### Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Jerusalem, built as a city which is bound firmly together,

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they prosper who love you! Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers!"

For my brethren and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!"

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

#### Psalm 86: 16-17

Turn to me and take pity on me; give thy strength to thy servant, and save the son of thy handmaid.

Show me a sign of thy favor, that those who hate me may see and be put to shame because thou, Lord, hast helped me and comforted me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

Now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

THE DEACON:

#### **BIDDING**

By the holy Church let us beseech the Lord, that he may thereby be pleased to deliver us from sins and save us by the grace of his mercy.

Almighty Lord our God, save and have mercy.

HIS HOLINESS:

### COLLECT

In the midst of this holy Church, O Lord, and before the holy signs that hold God up to us and thus are made bright, we bow down in fear and worship; we bless and glorify thine holy, wondrous and triumphant dominion and we offer praise and glory to the Father, to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

# WELCOME

His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian

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His Eminence Archbishop IAKOVOS, Primate
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America