

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

Divine Liturgy.....Chicago 43, Waukegan 2.
Special Divine Services...Chicago 15, (Sun-rise and of proper days).
Baptism.....Chicago 8.
Marriage.....Chicago 1.
Funeral.....Chicago 11, Iowa 1.
Requiem.....Chicago 19, (Wanted by 31 Families).
Visitations.....Blessing of homes 44, Hospitals 22, Special reasons 16,
Cemetery 4, Memorial Day 1.

Meetings.....Parish Council 20, Senior Ladies Auxiliary 10,
A.C.Y.O.A. Senior 1, A.C.Y.O.A. Junior 1, Sunday
School 8, Choir 3, Choir practices 11, April 24th
Committee 2, Picnic 4, Committee of Lighting of Candles
Affairs with participation of three parishes 4,
Midwest Sunday School Council in Waukegan 1, A meeting
held in our church with the participations of
Very Rev. Khajak Barsamian, Frenk Avakian, Midwest
clergies Council, and Ladies Auxiliaries of our
church, in regard of Sunday schools books.

Special Activities.....Sunday on January 5, 1986, with the participation
of three parishes St. James Armenian Church of
Evenston, St. Joachim and Anne Church of Palos Heights,
and St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church of
Chicago, His Eminence the Primate of our Diocese,
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian celebrated Divine Liturgy
in our church. After divine liturgy a reception
and lunch was given, followed by a program. The
attendance was unprecedented, and many guests
had to leave due to uncapacity of the hall.

On March 18, 1986 with the participation of three
parishes, St. Joachim and Anne, St. James and St.
Gregory the Illuminator churches, we celebrated the
Armenian Saints day in our church, and a hospitality
was given following the church services in the hall.

May 18, 1986 Sunday of Pentecost, Very Rev. Khajak
Barsamian celebrated divine liturgy in our church,
followed by a luncheon given in honour of our Senior
ladies auxiliary members, on the occasion of Mothers Day.

Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America
held its 40th Annual Convention on November 2, 1986
in Chicago. Receptions and festivities took place
at O'Hare Merriot Hotel and in the cultural hall of
our church Very Rev. Haygazon Nadjarian from Holy See
Etchmiadzin, celebrated divine liturgy. His Eminence
the Primate of our Diocese, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
presided to all of these activities.

Dr. Zori Palayan, the prominent writer from Armenian
gave a lecture before a large number of audience,
on February 15, 1986, in our church.

Besides my clerical duties, and of activities mentioned above; I have participated in various events and gatherings, whenever my office was called upon.

On Monday January 6. 1986 with the clergies of Midwest churches I partook in the celebration of Holy Nativity, at St Gregory church Waukegan, Illinois.

With the invitation of their parish council, I celebrated divine liturgy and rendered an special requiem service for the souls of Very Rev. Varujan kabarajian's two sisters and brothers-in-law, at St. James Armenian church of Evenston, Illinois.

I attended to the Annual Clergymen Meeting at Siena Center, In Racine Wisconsin.

I participated in the meeting of the Association of Armenian church of America's 40th Annual Convention, held in Chicago.

I attended to the reception of the Armenian Congergational church of Chicago, given on the occasion of the 140th Anniversary celebrations of Armenian Evengelical Movements and 70th Anniversery of the foundation of Armenian Congergational church of Chicago, Illinois.

I have accompanied to the visiting clergy, and laymen during their stay in Chicago.

On Sunday November 16, 1986, after Raving rendered Divine Liturgy; I was admitted to hospital for a surgical operation, in Crown Point, Indiana. From the dau of my admission to hospital, until my return to my office; our devoted and veteran deacon Kegham Parseghian kept the church's doors opened, and with the help of a group of acolytes they rendered morning services, on every Sunday. Despite, being still in recuperation; I visited hospitals and homes with the assistance of stole-bearer acolyte Raffi Hazarian. I returned to my office on Sunday December 14, 1986, and rendered Sunday morning services with the participation of deacons and choir members.

I have taken an special English language course, which I still fallow, and that will continue in the future, too.

This report has been prepared for the Annual Parish Assembly, and for His Eminence, the Primate.

February 1, 1987
Chicago, Illinois

Fr. Vahram A. Hazarian

