

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT - 1966-67

The Sunday School began its season with registration on Sept. 10. Classes began on Sunday, Sept. 17, 1967. This year we have 252 students registered. They are divided into 20 classes with 24 teachers. We have 4 substitute teachers and an administrative staff of 5.

This year we are fortunate in having Mrs. Gloria Ermoian in charge of our baby-care room. All children who are too young to be enrolled in classes are looked after while their parents attend services.

From October 8th to December 10th one class at a time came prepared to participate in the Holy Communion services. Following communion the students were served breakfast of rolls and milk.

On October 7th, the superintendent and a number of our teachers attended the Mid-Atlantic Sunday School Teachers and Superintendent's Conference at the Holy Martyrs Church in Long Island. It was most beneficial for all who attended.

Many thanks to Mrs. Violet Ouzoonian for taking charge of the Supper and Advent Wreath projects on Sunday, Dec. 10th. A most delicious pot-luck supper was enjoyed by all followed by an evening of good fellowship - working together on the wreaths or Christmas decorations.

A special Christmas Communion Service took place on Saturday, January 6, 1968, at which time approximately 180 students and parents received Holy Communion. Many thanks to Harry Chakmakian, Arthur Azarik and John Seferian for the delicious pancake breakfast.

On Sunday, January 7th, our annual Christmas program took place in the church immediately following services. The children are to be commended for doing so well. The Sunday School Staff would like to thank the Parish Council for the books presented to each member of the staff in recognition of their devoted services.

During Lent, mite boxes will be distributed to the students and the monies collected when they are returned at Easter will be used to continue the support of two students we are sponsoring at the St. Tarkmanchatz School in Jerusalem.

Our Easter Communion Breakfast will take place on Saturday morning, April 13, 1968. Closing exercises and graduation will take place on Sunday, June 9th.

The annual Sunday School picnic was held last June 10th, 1967 together with the students of the Sunday School of St. Leon's Church. Our thanks to Valerie Simonian and Dorothy Seferian for handling the details.

Many thanks to Dorothy Seferian and Mary Chookazian for keeping the attendance records up to date; to Mrs. Isabel Shamamian for sending out the birthday cards; and to Mrs. Armine Donelian for assisting whenever asked. Heartfelt thanks to each and every staff member for their dedicated and untiring efforts.

Yeretzgin Violet Kasparian, Superintendent