

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH - Tenafly, N.J.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

September 1972 - June 1973

Registration for Sunday School fell on the third Sunday of September. We had 171 students registered. There were 12 classes (preschoolers through 10th grade); a staff of 14 teachers, 3 substitutes; and an administrative staff of 4. We also had Baby-Care under the supervision of Mrs. Carol Saraydarian and a group of mothers.

From October through December the various classes were scheduled to receive Communion. Following the services these students were served a light breakfast. Many thanks to Mrs. Rose Garjian and the mothers who accepted the task of being sure that food was available for these occasions.

A Christmas lunch, party and program was held on Sunday, Dec. 17, 1972. Children as well as parents participated. Movies were shown following an hours activity by classes. Our thanks to the parents who prepared, served, and helped clean up that day.

A special Christmas Communion was held on Jan. 6, 1973 and an Easter Communion and Breakfast was held on April 21, 1973. We had a large turn out at Eastertime - breakfast was followed by an Easter Egg Hunt. We were most fortunate in having a beautiful day.

During Lent, Mite boxes were distributed to the students and the monies collected were used to continue our support of two students at the St. Tarkmanchatz School in Jerusalem.

Some of our older classes once again had the opportunity to visit other churches in the area - this is a marvelous learning experience for them and, hopefully, makes them want to learn more about their own church and people.

Because of last minute changes in the calendar, we were unable to have our Palm Sunday Dinner. We look forward to having it next year.

On March 18, 1973 there was a Teacher Training Conference for our staff under the direction of Mrs. Louise Kalemkerian from the Diocese. This was well attended and beneficial for our teachers.

As Superintendent I attended the Sunday School Conference in Worchster, Mass. on May 5 and 6, 1973 and was one of the speakers.

We postponed our graduation exercises to September 1973 because of conflicting dates on the calendar.

Many thanks to our wonderful staff who give so freely of their time, efforts and energies to help teach our children.

When a man forgets himself in serving others, his self is receiving the best attention. . .