

Rev. Kalfayan at this time thanked everyone who has helped during the year, naming especially Mrs. Armenoohi Savagian.

There were 6 baptisms during the year
7 deaths (1 in Racine)
He blessed 150 homes
Also, visited all the sick in hospitals

He gave a report on the Keghart and said it had been issued every month except during July and August.

He was asked to deliver the invocation at several banquets - twice for the AGBU and three times for the Knights of Vartan.

He announced in May he attended the Diocesan convention in Troy, N.Y. with two delegates from South Milwaukee, Mr. H. Bogosian and Mr. Esahag Haidarian. He was happy to say that in 1964 the convention will be in South Milwaukee.

He attended a meeting in Waukegan, Ill. regarding Armenian School with Mr. Arshades Mugerditchian present from the East.

He said he had been present at all meetings held by the Ladies Aid, Young Womens Guild, Sunday School, Keghart, and Trustees. He helped and supported all these organizations. Lately he has been working with the Convention Committee, and is working on that right now.

He gave thanks to Mrs. Rose Bendian for all the letters she typed and also to Mrs. Grace Hadjinian.

He also praised Mr. Harry Nabedian for a job well done as a Trustee and Chairman. To Mr. Balian who has done his job faithfully, and to Esahag Haidarian who lights the candles on the altar every Sunday morning. To Hampar Kaishian for his faithful service to the Keghart for the past 16 months, working tirelessly so that the publication would reach the parishioners on time. Also thanks to Mrs. Mary Haidarian, Mrs. Mary Boyajian, Mrs. Agnes Barsemian, Mrs. Shirley Dadian, and Mrs. Grace Hadjinian who ~~xxxx~~ worked devotedly on the Keghart.

On Sunday School he thanked all the teachers for their devotion to their job, but that we needed teachers badly, and we should encourage them all that we can.

Rev. Kalfayan recommended these six things:

- 1 - Organize an Armenian School in this community
- 2 - Need help for Sunday School
- 3 - Improve church manners - Attend church faithfully -
Choir attend practice
- 4 - People in this community have not been attending functions and support them. We should keep in mind that we need more affairs - not only money-making but for these three reasons - social, spiritual, educational

- 5 - Need to organize and support an ACYOA Chapter. Rev. Kalfayan said our today's youth are tomorrow's members.
- 6 - His thanks to all the members. He asked for everyone to pray for him, and he for us so that God will help us.

Report from the Parish Council was given by Chairman, Mr. Harry Nabedian.

He explained the budget that had been set up for 1963 was held pretty close; in fact, surprisingly close. He said our income was good. In 1963, the first year of our pledge system in which the minimum was \$1.00 per week, our pledges were to equal \$4700, but only \$2700 was collected. However, the plate collections made up for the loss. He said they have been mailing out bills to those who were behind in their pledge envelopes. He made it clear that everyone had given something against the pledge system. He explained that the pledge must come from the heart, and he asked for several months to allow those who had not paid to catch up. He estimated that 50% of the parishioners were up-to-date on their envelopes. However, as has happened in the past, some give 10 or 20 envelopes at a time, and he again asked for more time.

Mrs. Helen Barsamian suggested that we check into the matter of delinquent envelopes at least every six months. At this time, Armen Bendian explained that many of our people were retired and could not keep up the \$100 weekly. Harry Nabedian claimed that some give \$2.00 and some give 50¢. The Acting Chairman, Mr. Yelanjian closed the discussion stating that those who were late with their envelopes would be given a chance to catch up.

Mrs. Marge Kademian asked if a better system could be used for stamping the date on the envelopes, as now they are Jan - 1st week, 2nd week, etc. Harry Nabedian explained that there were 52 envelopes in each box, and it was up to the individual to pay them as he sees fit. Armen Bendian said it was the obligation of every member to pay \$52.00 per year, plus \$30.00 for a married couple for their dues, and suggested that everyone's conscience be their guide.

Mr. Nabedian said that during the year, sidewalks were laid, the building was painted, pictures for the altar started. He also made it clear that he felt no one had the right to expect the Trustees to deliver announcements to the homes personally upon the death of one of the parishioners. He explained that he was put under pressure for this reason. He said that when it was physically possible upon the death of a member to make up an announcement and mail it out in time for the funeral it will be done. Mr. Yelanjian said that for 40 years the announcements have been going out, and each and every member who is called upon to help should do so.

Another point Harry brought up was in the case of some members, the Trustees were expected to handle all affairs for the funeral. He felt it was up to the family to do this. Rev. Kalfayan stated that he wanted it made known that a family's first obligation is to call the priest, and then make arrangements at the funeral home. Trustees have nothing to do with it. The family is responsible.

Harry said he had been criticized because of not visiting the sick in the hospitals. He wanted to make it known that we have a Visiting Committee, and no one is neglected if they are notified.

He explained the family should always call Der Hayr at the time of entering the hospital. In fact, when the doctor is called, Der Hayr should be called at the same time.

Ladies Aid Report

There were two dinners given and a bake sale. Miss Namzar Kaprelian reported \$1055.05 in their checking account.

Young Womens Guild

Mrs. Kay Kademian explained she was unaware that a report was to be given, but will submit one later.

Sunday School

Mrs. Grace Hadjinian said \$294.68 was received from the offering envelopes, and the dinner given at Thanksgiving time netted \$106.17, total income \$400.85. Expenses listed were

Books - supplies	140.40	
Mother's Day flowers	21.10	
Hye Camp, Waukegan	25.00	
Ice cream social	2.84	(Opening day of Sunday School)
Communion Breakfast	21.30	(West Allis children guests - Easter)
	<u>210.73</u>	

Total profit 190.12

Cemetery Committee

Mr. Mihran Hayalian said there were 6 burials during the year, and their balance stands at \$600.00.

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Mrs. Shirley Dadian said the balance in the checkbook was \$65.00.

Election of new Trustees took place next. Those terminating are Harry Nabedian, Tertad Tertadian, Esay Esayian, Joe Aghbashian. Those remaining are Kerope Balian, Avak Yenudunian, Armen Badian. Esahag Haidarian made a motion that there be 11 members on the Board. Armen Badian suggested that out of these 11, two of them be women. Motion was made and seconded that there be 11 members on the board, all men. Parsegh Vahradian seconded it.

Following were the names suggested:

Kaiser Boyajian
Al Hayalian
Meyer Jandegian
Sam Kaishian
Mike Jandegian
Geo Kaprelian
Harry Kerian
Elliot Kaishian
Arshag Savagian

Ronald Lewis
George Schwabe
John Tertadian
Nerses Karamanian
Parsegh Vahradian
Harold Baylerian
John Serian
Charley Kademian
Alex Balian

Out of these nominees, there will be a chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer, assistant treasurer, secretary, and advisors. Barse moved the nominating be closed, and Esahag seconded it. The meeting went on while votes were being counted.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had audited the Treasurer's Books and found them to be in order, the records being neat and correct. Nominations were open for Auditing Committee. Rev. Kalfayan made a motion that the three that were already on the committee remain on for another year. This was seconded by John Sarian. They are Mary Haidarian, Grace Hadjinian, Nerses Karamanian.

Next Armen Bendian gave the treasurer's report from January 1962 thru November 1962 per attached. The only item questioned was the telephone bill, but after explanation, it was agreed that the amount was not excessive. The idea of a box next to the phone was not approved.

Next on the agenda was whether the parishioners wanted a full-time priest. Der Hayr said the only issue at hand was whether to maintain a full-time priest or not. After that it was up to the Archbishop to decide if he would allow Der Hayr to remain. Harry Nabedian stated he felt wages should be discussed first. Der Hayr felt they should decide first and then go on from that point.

Nazar Balian asked if the priest would be transferred every five years, or if he would remain indefinitely. Der Hayr said that would be up to the Diocese. The original by-laws did state 5 years, but that was obsolete now. Harry stated the West Allis congregation had voted for a full-time priest and they had informed the Primate of this. There was no date involved, but they wanted this as soon as possible. West Allis had a meeting with the Parish Council of South Milwaukee, and the latter promised to bring the matter up to the general assembly, and that the final decision was contingent upon the assembly. Armen Bendian reminded the members that they should weigh all advantages and disadvantages. Namely to our advantage would be church services every Sunday.

Henry Ambrookian made a motion that the South Milwaukee Parish maintain a full-time priest. Grace Hadjinian seconded it. Much discussion followed, and Lorraine Nabedian reminded everyone that this was the time to voice their opinion and not later when it had been voted upon. A vote taken shoed 38 ayes, carrying the motion.

Rev. Kalfayan was again confronted about the name of the Church. He reminded everyone that there was not a change but that for 40 years the name had been used incorrectly. He again explained the translation from Armenian to English which correctly would be Scorp Haroutune - Holy Resurrection. He said there would be no reason for our Church to be any different from any other Church in the Diocese. Harry Nabedian asked if we needed to use Armenian Apostolic, and Rev. Kalfayan said yes.

Mary Ambrookian asked why the Archbishop had not correctly changed the name at the time of the Church's consecration. Der Hayr answered that he consecrated the Church in Armenian, Scorp Haroutune.

Voting results were tabulated as follows:

Parsegh Vahradian	42	John Tertadian	21
John Sarian	40	Geo Kaprelian	20
Kaiser Boyajian	37	Geo Schwabe	19
Harry Karian	34	Meyer Jandegian	17
Charley Kademian	31	Arshag Savagian	17
Al Hayalian	29	Alex Balian	16
Sam Kaishian	26	Mike Jandegian	16
Nerses Karamanian	25	Ronnie Lewis	15
Harold Baylerian	24	Eghia Kaishian	8

Mr. Karamanian immediately declined, but Der Hayr asked him to please reconsider, and let him know later.

The budget was discussed for 1964. Nothing definite was decided upon.

At this point, Der Hayr apologized for becoming angered at one point in the meeting, and Art Barsamian said he had every right to be outraged and that people should recognize that they are talking to a clergy at all times.

Der Hayr made a request for donations for flowers for the Altar.

Meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Rev. Kalfayan.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Hadjinian, Acting Secretary