

SOORP HAROUTUNE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH HOLY RESURRECTION

909 Michigan Avenue South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

1972

ANNUAL REPORTS

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH 909 MICHIGAN AVENUE SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WIS.

January 12, 1973

Dear Member:

This is your invitation to attend the annual Parish Assembly meeting which shall be held on Sunday, January 21, 1973 at 7:00 P.M. in the Church Hall. Following is the agenda for the evening which has been prepared by Father Arshag and the Parish Council:

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Verification of eligible voters
- 3. Election of 1973 Parish Assembly Officers (Chairman & Secy.)
- 4. Minutes of 1972 Parish Assembly
- 5. Reports:
 - a. Pastor's Annual Report
 - b. Parish Council's Annual Report
 - c. Parish Council's Financial Report
 - d. Auditors' Report
 - e. Cemetery Committee's Report
 - f. Parish House Committee's Report
- 6. New business:

Elections:

- 1. Parish Council
- 2. Auditing Committee
- 3. Nominating Committee
- 4. Approval of 1973 budget
- 7. Benediction and adjournment.

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian Parish Council

Peter Sahagian, Chairman Grace Hadjinian, Secretary

PARISH COUNCIL CANDIDATES

The following are the names of candidates for the Parish Council as suggested by the Nominating Committee:

Meyer Jandegian

John Gurinian

Harry Nabedian

Harold Baylerian

Nazar Balian

Tertad Tertadian

Armand Bendian

Bedros Salbashian

Russell Kaishian

Hachadour Kaishian

Al Hayalian

Tony Hadjinian

Ronald Lewis

Rose Bendian

Lorraine Nabedian

Harry Karlan

Nominating Committee:

Barsam Barsamian Kaiser Boyajian Tony Cifaldi

PASTOR'S REPORT 1972

My first visit to the Holy Resurrection Armenian Parish was August, 1972. On my return trip from California, I celebrated my first Divine Liturgy in South Milwaukee. The following day, I returned to my former parish of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland, Ohio, where I served almost six years to settle all my personal matters.

On September 14, 1972, I officially assumed the responsibilities of the pastorate of Holy Resurrection Armenian Church. This appointment was designated by His Grace, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, the Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of North America.

During my first meeting with the Parish Council members, plans were executed to meet with the Church affiliated organizations. This was accomplished. Home and hospital visitations were planned. To date, sixty to seventy percent of the Armenian families have been visited by me with the following people: Mr. Peter Sahagian, chairman of our Parish Council, Mr. Manoog Panosian, Parish Council member and Mr. Kerovpe Balian.

Church services and the Divine Liturgy were held with the Morning Service from 9:30 to 10:00 A.M. and the Divine Liturgy conducted from 10:00 A.M. to 12 noon with appropriate spiritual sermons given in both English and Armenian. The Holy Communion participation every Sunday was approximately 25 to 30 people. There were not any Sacraments of Baptism or Holy Matrimony during the past four months. However, there was one wedding conducted in our Church during my absence, on October 22, 1972, by Father Paree Metjian, the pastor of St. John's Armenian Church, for one of their parishioners. There has been one funeral. Requiem Services were conducted upon request.

The Divine Liturgy was not celebrated on October 22, 1972, due to the Choir Convention, which was held at my former parish. Also, I was out of town on November 13th to the 18th to attend two different activities. The first occasion was for a clergy program conducted in our New York Diocese. The title was "Sensitivity Session." The second occasion was for the Armenian Church Choir Association Central Council Meeting, which was held in Providence, Rhode Island, in which I acted as Vice-Chairman.

I joined the South Milwaukee Kiwanis Club with Peter Sahagian on September 25, 1972, having Mr. John Schweda, the president of the South Milwaukee Marine Bank, as our sponsor.

American and Armenian Christmas Services were conducted as usual.

To introduce our own Church and culture, I have given three lectures at the following places:

- 1. South Milwaukee Public Library
- 2. South Milwaukee Lions Club
- 3. Oak Creek Kiwanis Club

A television program was taped for three separate three-minute "After Midnight Closing Prayers" to be televised on Channel 6 on the following dates:

Thursday, January 18, 1973

Thursday, February 1, 1973 Sunday, February 11, 1973

The subjects were "Loneliness," "Restoration of Peace," and "Faith in Mankind."

PROPOSED FUTURE PLANS

- 1. To achieve a healthy communication between the parish priest and parishioners, I have decided besides the regular home visitations to have home blessings, according to a pre-planned program.
- 2. A plan is being studied by me to start an official Armenian School for two hours on Saturdays. In order to fulfill this idea, I feel that immediate rare and professional supervision is needed. A budget must be compiled and an Armenian School Board should be organized locally.
- 3. I proposed that an Armenian style, four-pillared, dome-type chapel be erected on the cemetery grounds as well as the installation of washroom facilities.
- 4. I had suggested at one of our Parish Council meetings that we need a soundproof facility for our Church balcony for educational purposes, i.e., instruction of the Armenian Liturgy to the English speaking children and also to those who are interested in the process of learning the various parts of the Church Service.

Heavenly King, preserve Thy Church unshaken and keep the worshipers of Thy Name in peace.

May God the Lover of mankind have mercy on us and show His compassion and favor on our works in order to be able to glorify His great name. Amen,

Prayerfully,

1972 PARISH COUNCIL & Committees

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian Grace Hadjinian	Diocesan Delegate
Peter Sahagian	Chairman
Sarkis Tchejeyan	
Grace Hadjinian	
Kappy Kaprelian	
Sam Hadjinian	
Michael Barsamian	
Manoog Panosian	
Esay Esalan	
Nerses Nersesian	

Auditing Committee:

John Gurinian Namzar Kaprelian Grace Hadjinian, Advisor

Nominating Committee:

Barsam Barsamian Kaiser Boyajian Tony Cifaldi

1972 PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that following tradition, we can proudly point to another financially successful year for 1972. There were unusual obstacles facing this Parish Council this year, but with true Armenian spirit and perserverance, and with the help of God and our beloved Primate, many of the situations have been resolved.

The Parish Council would like to thank its parishioners for their continued moral and monetary support and especially to Deacon Parsegh Vahradian, who, in the absence of a clergy, devoted many hours, helping both in administrative areas and on the Altar.

In April, 1972, Very Rev. Vazken Keshishian resigned, leaving our parish without a full time priest until September 14, 1972. During this time, through arrangements with our Primate and excellent cooperation from neighboring sister churches, we were able to celebrate Holy Badarak at least once a month and sometimes twice a month. The Sundays when there was no Holy Badarak, Morning Services were held by our Deacon Parsegh Vahradian and Joseph Turgurian, so that every Sunday there was a Service in our Church (excepting the weekend of the Diocesan Assembly in May).

Through continuing effort and close contact with the Diocese, within a short time, in September, 1972, we were blessed with a most devoted priest, Father Arshag Khatchadourian, who has unique talents and very high ideals. We pray that under his leadership and guidance, our Church will soar to even greater accomplishments than have taken place in the past.

Some of the projects undertaken and completed by the 1972 Parish Council are:

- 1. The installation of a new hot water tank.
- 2. The repair of the front stoop, which was a potential dangerous situation.
- 3. Martyrs Day Program with Father Paree and Judge Victor Manian as our main speaker, which was very well attended.
- 4. Increased our Liability coverage and reduced our premiums by \$300 over a three-year period. Entire insurance program was revamped.
- 5. Farewell party was given for Very Rev. Vazken Keshishian.
- 6. We hosted a regional meeting with the neighboring Armenian priests, presided by Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, in preparation for the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese.
- 7. A very successful Madagh.
- 8. Two clerical robes (Verargoos) were made.
- 9. Acquired an electric typewriter through kind donation of South Milwaukee Marine Bank.

Recommended Projects for 1973

- 1. Repair back of Altar.
- 2. Kitchen remodeling (new counters, sinks, disposal, dishwasher and new lighting).
- 3. Roof repairs (side wings)
- 4. Exhaust fan for Altar ventilation during the summer months.
- 5. Redecoration of the hall.
- 6. Waterproofing washroom walls.
- 7. Book racks on the back of pews.

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and many words of encouragement during this past year.

PARISH COUNCIL
Peter Sahagian, Chairman

1972 PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance Forwarded From December 31, 1971	\$15,297.92
INCOME 1972	
**************************************	7,474.00
Plate Collection	424.94
Candles	300.51
Christmas, Easter, Vartanantz	885.00
Sacraments	467.00
Requiem Service	254.00
Activities	276.07
	3,345.28
In lieu of flowers	342.00
Donations	454.60
·	1,875.00
Church Bulletin	50.00
Furniture Sale (Very Rev. Keshishian)	400.00
Interest	989.06
Initial Offering	26.00
Building Pledge	10.00
	\$17,573.46
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EXPENSES 1972	
Activities\$	529.33
Donations	200.95
	4,908.00
•	1,587.10
•	1,566.58
Parish Priest Moving Expenses (Cleveland)	342.82
Visiting Clergy	100.00
Utilities - Telephone	247.59
Electric	426,83
	1,145.00
Water	75.03
Office Expense	403.98
Church Supplies	524.55
Diocese Calendar Sale	3,25
Gifts	125,00
	3,827.56
Clergy Insurance	248.56
Church Insurance	345.00
Repairs - Maintenance	294.24
Equipment	170.32
Diocesan Convention	300.00
Clergy Travel Expense	132.00
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Cleaning Church.....

Parish Priest Expense Account.....

\$18,093.44

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1972 PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT CONT.

Net Loss	\$ 519.98
DECEMBER 31, 1972 GENERAL TOTAL Less loan made to Fr. Arshag	\$14,777.94
for purchase of automobile \$ 2,950.00	
Repaid through 12/31/72 180.00	2,770.00
BALANCE	\$12,007.94
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12/31/72	
Checkbook Account (S.M. Marine Bank)	\$ 498.44
S.M. Marine Bank Madagh Checking Account	5.00
S.M. Golden Mariner Account	6,113.60
S.M. Golden Mariner Madagh Account	11,964.64
TOTAL ALL MONIES	\$18,581.68
Parish Council Account	\$12,007.94
Ladies Aid	4,856.62
Choir	143.09
Sunday School	167.50
ACYOA	480.86
Cemetery	925.67
TOTAL ALL MONIES	\$18,581.68

Submitted by:

Kappy Kaprelian, Treasurer

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1973

INCOME:

Submitted by:

Parish Council, Holy Resurrection Armenian Church

LADIES AID 1972 Annual Report

OFFICERS:

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian President
Very Rev. Vazken KeshishianPast President
Mrs. Helen Barsamlan
Mrs. Margaret Kademian
Mrs. Mary Haidarian
Mrs. Elsie CifaldiTreasurer
Mrs. Agnes Barsamian(Resigned)Correspondence

COMMITTEES:

Altar & Sacristy: Mary Haidarian -- Namzar Kaprelian

Altar Flowers: H. J. Nabedian -- Rose Bendian (Resigned)

Kitchen: Mrs. Arsha Boyajian, Mrs. Baizar Kachigian,

Mrs. Vartinie Hadjinian, Mrs. Arshalous Hayalian, and M

Mrs. Mary Aprahamian.

Mass: Mrs. Anna Balian, Mrs. Armenouie Souvagian, Mrs.

Surpouhi Karian, Mrs. Sona Esayian, and Mrs. Annig Vaharadian.

Sunshine: Mrs. Rose Tanelian Social: Mrs. Trudy Kaprelian

Meeting of the Year:

- 1. Twelve Executive Meetings were held every Thursday of the month.
- 2.Six Special Meetinge were held during the year (Executives)
- 3. One General Membership meeting was held.
- 4. Executive :members attended Madagh meetings.

Calendar of Events:

January 10, 1972	Served Refreshments following the
	General Membership Meeting.
March 3, 1972	Prepared and served a Luncheon to
	The South Milwaukee Women's Club.
	Authentic Armenian dishes were served.
March 3, 1972	Participated in the 85th year of World
	day of Prayer, at Trinity Lutheran Church.
April 6, 1972	.Prepared and served for Very Rev. Vazken
•	Keshishian's Farewell Dinner.
May 21, 1972	Mother's Day Dinner. Mother of the
•	Year was Mrs. Gulizar Jandegian. Pins
	were presented to thirteen woman for
	their 25 years of service to the church

in the Ladies Aid.

June 12,1972......Prepared and served a Hoki Jash for the funeral of Mr. Hachadour Bajaksusian.

July 23 & 24, 1972.... Preparations for the annual Madagh.

September 28, 1972.. Joint Luncheon Meeting with the Ladies Aid Members of the St. John Armenian Church, Greenfield. Special Guest Mr. Jack Antreassian.

October 20, 1972.....Annual Bake Sale

October 28, 1972.....Prepared and served a lunch
for the Mid-west Regional Luncheon
Meeting.His Grace, Archbishop
Torkom Manoogian attended.

December 3, 1972 ... General Membership Meeting and Luncheon.

Throughout the year the Ladies Aid have baked for Fellowship following Church Services, cleaned and polished all the Church Altar candle holders and brass items. We have worked hand in hand with all the church organizations in making our Madagh a success. For the first time this year we have sponsored an orphan in Istanbul.

Our sincere thank you to The Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian form guiding us, not only with words, but with his prayers and support for us to continue our Lords work.

We thank all of you Ladies Aid Members. We hope that we have done our best and fulfilled our duties as Ladies Aid Executives.

We extend our warm best wishes and continued success to our new Ladies Aid Executive Committee for the coming years.

> Submitted by, Mary Haidarian, Recording Secretary

LADIES AID 1972 Annual Report

Balance of December 31, 1971	\$3,	118.42
1972 Total Income	\$2,	899.97
Petty Cash	\$	4.63
Total	\$6,	022.92
1972 Total Expenses	. <u>.\$1</u> ,	161,77
Balance of December 31, 1972	\$4,	861.25

Respectfully submitted, Elsie Cifaldi, Treasurer

CHURCH CHOIR 1972 Annual Report

The Choir, after the loss of several of its members has begun to reorganize under the direction and guidance of our new pastor, Fr. Arshag. With his vast knowledge of Armenian Church music, Fr. Arshag has been teaching the choir members many new songs and has brought the choir into participating in the morning service, previously done only by the Celebrant and Deacons.

New books have now been purchased by the Choir with music designed for special occasions such as feast days, holidays, and special services. Hayr Soorp has begun to instruct the choir on these new songs.

New members are always welcome, especially male voices. Some of the men in our parish have voiced interest in joining, but to date none have come forward.

The soda machine, which was purchased by the choir, is now fully paid for, and is beginning to pay off. So far this year, from May thru December a profit of \$45.00 has been realized. This is the only real source of income of the choir.

Respectively Submitted, Hampar Kaishian, Chairman

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian

Hampar Kaishian Namzar Kaprelian Mary Haidarian Mary Ambrookian President, Director

Chairman Secretary Treasurer Organist

CHURCH CHOIR 1972 Annual Report

Balance Forward December 31, 1971\$227.24
CASH RECEIPTS:
Fellowship Plate Collections (13) \$ 42.60 Calendar Sales 33.00 Coke Machine 45.00 Donations 2.00 Christmas Eve Plate Collection 45.00 Total \$394.84
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:
Divine Liturgy Books (51)
December 31, 1972 Balance

Submitted By, Mary Haidarian, Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL 1972 ANNUAL REPORT

TEACHING STAFF:

(January through June, 1972)

Mrs. Margaret Kademian:..... Superintendent

Mr. George Kaprelian:..... Treasurer

Miss Violet Halupka:..... Secretary

Miss Terry Ann Hadjinian

Miss Rozanne Cifaldi

Mr. Esahag Haidarian

(September through December, 1972)

Mr. Esahag Haidarian:..... Superintendent

Miss Terry Ann Hadjinian:..... Asst. Superintendent

Mr. Nerses Nersesian: Treasurer Miss Violet Halupka: Secretary

Mrs. Grace Hadjinian

Mrs. Sema Hayalian

Miss Helene Halupka

Thank you to Mrs. Margaret Kademian for an outstanding job done as Superintendent.

1972 ACTIVITIES

January:

Christmas Program

February:

Lenten boxes were given to students and teachers.

The money was used for the purpose of Mary Kahkadjinian's schooling. She is enrolled at St. Tarkarauchatz School in Jerusalem. This is the third year she is being sponsored

March:

Annual Easter Communion and breakfast.

May:

Students presented Mothers and Grandmothers corsages

on Mother's Day.

June:

Annual Sunday School picnic.

September:

Start of Sunday School. Thirty-Nine students registered.

November:

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

December:

Preparation for Armenian Christmas pageant.

Christian education and the teaching of the Armenian Church is most important to our young children.

The teaching of classes on Sundays alone is not enough. Parents must get involved at home. Another obligation of the parents is to see that the students attend. We average 9 - 11 absences every Sunday, which is 22 - 26%. When the end of the year comes, what has the child lost?

With the program set forth by the Diocese and the guidance of Father Arshag, we have the basic tools to work with.

Submitted by:

Esahag Haidarian

SUNDAY SCHOOL 1972 Annual Report

INCOME:	1972	
10-15-72 10-29-72 11-12-72 11-19-72 11-26-72 11-26-72 12-3-72 12-10-72 12-17-72	Sunday School Offerings: (4 weeks)\$ Sunday School Offerings: (2 weeks) Sunday School Offerings: (2 weeks) Sunday School Offerings: Sunday School Offerings Thanksgiving Dinner & Donations 11–19–72 Sunday School Offerings: Sunday School Offerings: Sunday School Offerings:	18.12 6.85 7.51 3.50 2.85 183.55 3.80 2.90 2.50
12-24-72	Sunday School Offerings:	3.81
	rior to 10–1–72\$ Total\$	
EXPENSE	: 1972	
10-9-72 10-30-72	Sunday School Supplies\$ Sunday School Student Books from New York	26.63 68.70
11-19-72 11-19-72	Parkway Flowers for Dinner	1 37.16 3.25 235.74
	Account: 12-29-72\$	151.27 1.74 153.01

Respectfully Submitted Nerses N. Nersesian, Treasurer

ACYOA

The South Milwaukee ACYOA did not become totally active until the election of new officers in July, 1972, the appointment of a new advisor, Mr. Russell Kaishian, and the appointment of Very Rev. Khatchadourian to the parish.

The officers for 1972 - 1973 are:

President:

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian

Co-Chairmen:

Mike Esaian Linda Kademian

Secretary:

Terry Ann Hadjinian

Treasurer:

Sandra Esaian

Historian:

Helene Holupka

Advisor:

Mr. Russell Kaishian

Early in the summer, the organization increased the membership by inviting the oldest class of Sunday School (the eighth grade) to join as "apprentices." (A person cannot become a formal member of ACYOA until he or she is fourteen years oid.)

The ACYOA activities generally centered around the other Church organizations. They sponsored the annual Sunday School pancake breakfast on Easter Saturday, and took charge of the games at the Madagh in July. They served at various dinners held by other groups throughout the year. They also sponsored their Fourth Anniversary Dinner in October, where they honored Mr. and Mrs. Hajame Vahradian for their help in saving between 3,000 and 5,000 pounds of paper for each paper drive. Mr. Robert Akgulian of Racine was the guest speaker.

Other activities were a Christmas Party--Hayride held by South Milwaukee with the neighboring chapters in December, and attending and supporting the activities of the other chapters, i.e., basketball games, dances, and other functions. The group also aided in the clean-up of the Hi-Kamp grounds in September.

Under the leadership the group has gained in Very Rev. Khatchadourian and Mr. Russell Kaishian, the South Milwaukee ACYOA promises to have a prosperous and productive new year in 1973.

Submitted by:

Terry Ann Hadjinian, Secretary

ACYOA 1972 ANNUAL REPORT

Balance Forward December 31, 1971 \$388.38

INCOME:

Dinner and Donations

Paper Drive

Dues

Refunds

Tctal

\$160.21 \$548.59

EXPENSES:

Gifts

Refreshments

Petty Cash

Miscellaneous

\$ 67.73

Balance December 31, 1972

\$480.86

Respectufully submitted by:

Sandra Anne Esaian, Treasurer

1972 JUNIOR CHOIR

The Junior Choir is new to our community. Director, Deacon Joe Turgurian received permission and encouragement from Father Arshag to materialize his idea for a Junior Choir.

In October of 1972, the choir was organized and well received by the children and community. The children are being taught the Sharagans and Armenian feast songs and will soon be rehearsing for Easter.

Rehearsals are held every Saturday from 3:00 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. The choir consists of twenty members.

Officers of the Junior Choir:

Father Arshag President

Deacon Joe Turgurian Director

Janice Hayalian Chairman

Louise Esaian Secretary

Steve Nersesian Treasurer

SOORP HAROUTUNE ARMENIAN CEMETERY

(HOLY RESURRECTION) 18th & Rawson Avenue South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The Home State Bank Account: 12-31-71\$	•
South Milwaukee Golden Mariner Account:	925.67
\$	2,019.51
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INCOME: 1972	
3-1-72 Interest; The Home State Bank\$	11.69
3-24-72 Novart Ohanian: Opeing of Grave	125.00
6-1-72 Interest: The Home State Bank	13.47
9-1-72 Interest: The Home State Bank	13.57
10-1-72 Interest: The Home State Bank	13.58
12-27-72 Ann Kashian: Sale & Opening of Grave	475.00
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	652.31
EXPENSE: 1972	
5-15-72 Purchase of Crushed Stone for	
Drive-way\$	47.27
12-4-72 Norbert Schaefer: Opening of Grave	
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The Home State Bank Account: 12-29-72\$	1.628.88
South Milwaukee Golden Mariner Account	•
	2,554.55
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Submitted by the Cemetery Committee Nerses N. Nersesian: Chairman Kerovpe Balian: Treasurer Ronald Lewis Avak Yendunian

ALTAR FLOWERS 1972 Annual Report

Cash Balance as of January 1, 1972..... \$222.00

INCOME: 1972

EXPENSES:

Parkway Floral (Weekly Altar Flowers)..... \$186.80 Balance of January 1, 1973 \$317.20

Submitted by:

H. J. Nabedian