

December 12, 1972

Mr. Robert Sarafian
5601 Riverdale Avenue
Bronx, New York 10471

Dear Mr. Sarafian:

The new St. Vartan Stewardship program instituted in our Diocese has already been discussed during regional meetings and personal visits to our parishes. The importance of securing urgent support for our Diocese cannot be over-emphasized.

As described in detail in the accompanying brochure, the Diocese needs the support of devoted individuals who will donate \$100 a year to help implement its various programs and operations; it needs at least 1,000 such persons, and relies on you to help get them.

The idea of stewardship is for people to give whatever they can as long as they can. We ask for nothing from those who are unable to give anything. ~~It is urged, therefore, that only those who can afford it be approached.~~

In any event, it is imperative to make this effort now, without delay.

of this effort, and because St. Vartan Cathedral is already
We are asking you ^{as one devoted to your Church to be a part} ~~as a church leader to be part of the Diocesan team~~ ~~that will lead the effort~~ ~~to secure ten such people to~~ participate; we are asking you to secure ten such ~~towards~~, yourself among them, and help create a warm fraternity of support for our Cathedral and Diocese.

depends on the success
The future well-being of our Diocese ~~depends that this effort be made,~~ ~~made now.~~ We are counting on you. *of this effort*

Sincerely,

with new warm rapport & heat
with you for new year
Edward G. Bashian
Chairman
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