

EDUCATION AT THE CENTER

FOR THE YOUNG

CHURCH SCHOOL: On Sundays during the school year from 10:00 am to noon, for the young from 4 to 16 years of age.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL: On Saturdays during the school year from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: On Saturdays during the school year from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

FOR ADULTS

EVENING CLASSES: A variety of subjects are offered during the Fall semester (September to December) and the Spring semester (February to May). A brochure with detailed information is available at the Diocesan Office.

LECTURE SERIES: Periodic evening lectures are presented by prominent speakers on a wide range of subjects.



ST. VARTAN ARMENIAN CATHEDRAL

Second Avenue at Thirty-Fourth Street, New York

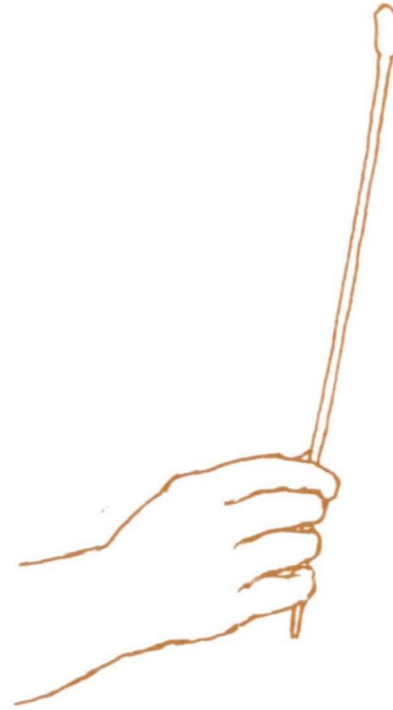
TRANSPORTATION

SUBWAY: IRT line (Lexington Avenue)
33rd Street Station

BUS: No. 15 Southbound on Second Avenue
No. 15 Northbound on First Avenue
No. 16 Crosstown on 34th Street



By Summer 1973 the Armenian General Benevolent Union will move its Central Board and Central Committee of America offices into the Gullabi Gulbenkian Cultural Building of the Diocesan Complex, and conduct virtually all its programs in the Cultural Center. The various programs listed in this folder will continue in one form or another as features of Center Activities, although a number of them will be sponsored by the AGBU. The AGBU's use of these facilities for the purposes for which they were designed and built brings the Complex closer to its ideal as a true center of community life and activities.



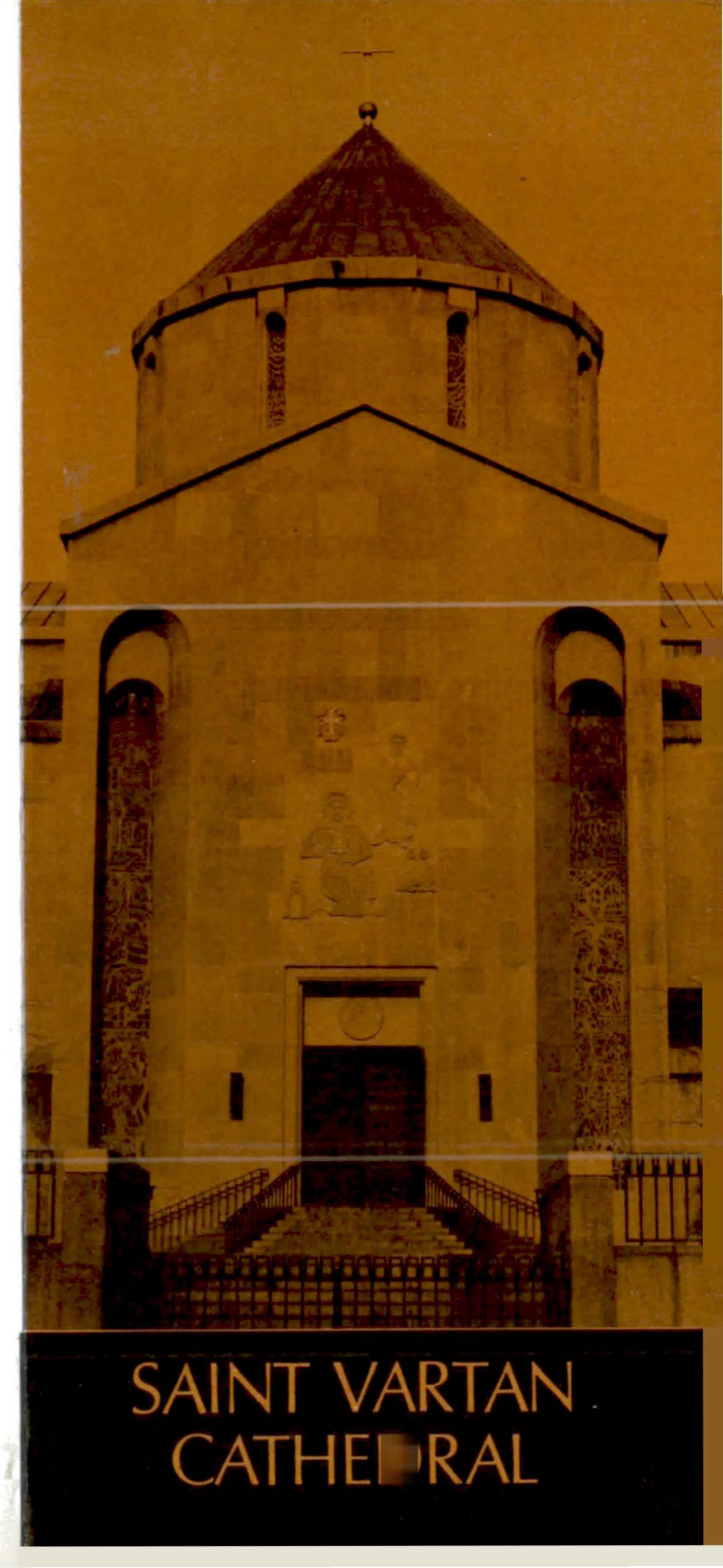
STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is a basic Christian principle. It involves the wise and selfless use of what has been entrusted to a person—the steward. The practice of stewardship produces a good and well-functioning society. It means putting basic values in their proper perspective.

Stewardship is to Christian life and to the Christian Church what a mainspring is to a watch. A Church cannot “go” without a dynamic motive. It is as deep as life itself and as extensive as all our human relationships.

Stewardship is what a person does after he has said, “I believe.” It is words turned into deeds, all motivated by the love of Christ. Stewardship is that point where the genuineness of Christian life is demonstrated, and becomes to some degree measurable.

We cherish our friends, our visitors, our faithful, and hope that they in turn will find in stewardship a further fulfillment, remembering that an institution such as St. Vartan needs the stewardship, the devoted support of many, needs a generosity of spirit in which it may flourish, as well as material contributions to enable it to do its work effectively.



SAINT VARTAN
CATHEDRAL



WELCOME TO SAINT VARTAN CATHEDRAL

There is more to this Cathedral than stone and steel . . . wood and glass. St. Vartan is a living place where the pulse of our lives can find sympathy and harmony.

A church should not be a one day or one hour a week experience, incidental to our lives . . . almost an afterthought to the routine of our existence.

Some may come to St. Vartan to seek aid for others, or to find new perspectives and fresh insights into their own lives. Some may come to seek the God of their fathers, while others a living God of their own with whom they can create their personal communication.

All are welcome, friends and visitors, to join together in worship and fellowship, and hopefully find the fulfillment they seek.

SUNDAY MORNING AT THE CATHEDRAL

We welcome visitors and worshippers to our Sunday services:

MORNING SERVICE 9:45 am to 10:30 am

DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

SACRAMENTS: Baptisms, weddings and funerals can be arranged by speaking with the Canon Sacrist of the Cathedral (212) 686-0710.

CHURCH SCHOOL: Conducted for children and youth every Sunday during school year, from 10:00 am to noon.

COFFEE HOUR: A period of fellowship following Sunday services (suspended during summer months).

The Cathedral is open daily for prayer and meditation, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (3:00 pm on Sundays).

ACTIVITIES AT THE CENTER

MUSIC: Through the programs of the Diocesan Pro Musica Committee, concerts are scheduled at frequent intervals in the Center. Participating artists are young Armenian-American musicians, chosen in special auditions and given the opportunity to perform in public. Concerts by choral groups and established artists are presented throughout the year in the Center's Kavookjian Auditorium, as well as on the Cathedral Plaza during the summer months.

ART: Art exhibits are offered during the year, both indoors as well as on the Plaza. Valuable collections of art, manuscripts, coins and other representations of Armenian cul-

ture are exhibited in the Center's Armenian Museum.

SOCIAL: Receptions for visiting dignitaries and prominent Armenian-Americans are held in the Center, affording the public an opportunity to see and meet internationally-acclaimed personages.

PROGRAMS: In the course of the year numerous lectures, films and comparable presentations are scheduled for the community. Open House on Friday nights is developing into a favorite meeting place where people can spend an enjoyable evening, playing and relaxing in friendly company.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Ours is a versatile complex, serving the needs and purposes of many in its congregation and beyond. Numerous groups utilize the facilities of the Gullabi Gulbenkian Cultural Center. Theatrical, choral and dance ensembles use our facilities for rehearsals and performances. In addition, the meetings of fraternal, compatriotic, educational and literary societies are conducted regularly on the premises.

ARMENIAN MUSEUM & LIBRARY: The Diocesan Library has thousands of volumes in English and Armenian concerning the history, religion and literature of the Armenian people. Armenian magazines and newspapers from around the world are kept on current file. The Library, which at present is for reference work only, is open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on weekdays. Adjacent to the Library, the Armenian Museum features special exhibits of art, manuscripts, coins and other aspects of Armenian culture. Visiting hours are the same as the Library's. The Museum is also open Sundays, 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

BOOKSTORE: The Diocesan Bookstore, open during regular office hours, as well as Saturday and Sunday mornings, offers a wide assortment of records, books and gift articles for sale.

PUBLICATIONS: The Diocese has both an English and Armenian monthly magazine, and a Center News tabloid periodical. Supplementing these are occasional pamphlets and brochures.

SOCIAL SERVICE: A committee of concerned and qualified women meets every Tuesday, 6:00 to 9:00 pm, to meet, talk to and help any who require and seek aid.

