

DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA ԱՌԱԶՆՈՐԴՈՒԹԻՒՆ ՀԱՑՈՑ ԱՄԵՐԻԿԱՑԻ ԱՐԵՒԵԼԵԱՆ ԹԵՄԻ

Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate

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Թիւ 1146 Նոլեմբեր 13, 1992

Հոգեշնորն Տ. Օշական Վրդ. Կիւլկիւլեան Հովիւ Ս. Յակոբ Եկեղեցւոյ Նախագան Ծխական Խորնուրդի Ռիչմընտ.

Սիրելի Հայր Օշական,

Նկատի ունենալով որ համայնքիր պատգամաւորի պաշտօնավարութեան շրջանը լրացած է, համաձայն Թեմական Կանոնադրութեան 14-Գ եւ 54 յօդուածներուն՝ պէտք է նոր պատգամաւորի եւ անձնափոխանորդի ընտրութիւն կատարուի համայնքիդ Տարեկան Անդամական Ժողովին ընթացքին։

Բարի եղէք մինչեւ Փետրուար 22, 1993, նորընտիր պատգամաւորին անունն ու հասցէն ղրկել Առաջնորդարան։ Անոր ընտրութիւնը պիտի վաւերացուի 91-րդ Տարեկան Թեմական Պատգամաւորական Ժողովի ընթացքին, որ տեղի պիտի ունենայ Ապրիլ 29-էն Մայիս 1, 1993, հիւրընկալութեամբ Շիգակոլի Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսաւորիչ Եկեղեցւոլ։

Կը ներփակենք օրինակը վկայագրին (Հայերէն եւ Անգլերէն լեզուներով), որով կը ճաստատուի ինքնութիւնը ճամայնքիդ պատգամաւորին։ Այս վկայագիրը պէտք է ստորագրուի Հոգեւոր Հովիւին, Ծխական Խորճուրդի Ատենապետին եւ Ատենադպիրին կողմէ, եւ Անդամական Ժողովի տեղեկագիրներուն ճետ ղրկուի Առաջնորդարան։

Ձեզի եւ Ծխական Խորհուրդիդ անդամներուն կը մաղթենք քաջառողջութիւն եւ աստուածանանոյ ձեր աշխատանքներուն յաջողութիւն։

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St. James Armenian Church

ERY REV. FR. OSHAGAN GULGULIAN **PASTOR**

834 Pepper Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23226 - 804-282-3818

October 27, 1992

Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate Diocese of Armenian Church 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016

Dear Srpasan Hayr:

I hope this letter finds you in the very best of health.

As per our telephone conversation, I am sending you a revised list of guidelines for weddings, baptisms and funerals.

I shall be waiting for your approval in order for us to distribute among our parishioners.

I do hope these guidelines will meet to your expectations.

Prayerfully yours,

V. Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian

Pastor

OG/vg

Enclosure

ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH GUIDELINES FOR BAPTISMS

BOOKINGS:

Bookings must be made through the Church Office. All bookings will be confirmed by the secretary after consultation with the Pastor.

MEETING WITH PASTOR:

The secretary will make an appointment for the parents to meet with the Pastor.

DOCUMENTS:

A baptismal certificate will be issued upon completion or may be mailed at a later date.

REQUIREMENTS AS DIRECTED FROM THE DIOCESE

The baptismal godfather or godmother must be a member of the Armenian Apostolic Church. Only a member of the Armenian Apostolic Church can respond to the questions posed by the clergyman performing the baptism. If the parents of the baptized express a desire that the godfather or godmother be a person of another Christian denomination, then the other godparent must be a member of the Armenian Church, and must be present at the ceremony.

All Baptisms must be done in the Church Sanctuary.

FEES, PAYMENTS, DONATIONS.

Donation to the church is according to a schedule prepared by the Parish Council. Payment must be made to St. James Armenian Church.

The honorarium (gift) for the clergy is at the discretion of the couple.

All payments should be made to the office prior to the date.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. Large white bath towel
- 2. White garments to clothe the newly Baptised.
- 3. Cross

Please feel free to call the church office at 282-3818 for any questions.

St. James Armenian Church Guidelines for Weddings

BOOKINGS:

Bookings are made through the Church office.

All bookings will be confirmed by the secretary after consultation with the Pastor.

No weddings can take place during Lent and major feast days except with special permission from the Primate.

MEETING WITH PASTOR:

The secretary will make an appointment for the wedding couple to meet with the Pastor at least 6 weeks prior to the wedding.

DOCUMENTS:

Baptismal certificates, divorce documents and other pertinent papers should be submitted to the Pastor at the time of the meeting. If either of the couple is not baptised in the Armenian Apostolic Church, arrangements should be made with the Pastor.

The marriage license should be submitted to the office at least 10 days prior to the wedding date.

The Pastor should be notified of the name of the bestman.

FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS:

The office should be notified if flowers and decorations will be used

Scattering of fresh or dry flower petals is not allowed unless a white carpet has been laid which has been supplied by the wedding party. Sticky tape cannot be used on the pews or walls.

All decorations have to be removed immediately after the ceremony. Confetti, rice, etc. can be thrown only outside the church building.

DONATIONS, FEES, PAYMENT:

Donation to the church is according to a schedule prepared by the Parish Council. Payment can be made to the order of St. James Armenian Church. A tax deductible receipt will be issued.

The total fee for the deacon, organist is on a schedule.

The honorarium (gift) for the clergy is at the discretion of the couple.

All payments should be made to the office prior to the wedding date.

PUNCTUALITY:

The time of the ceremony must be respected to avoid unnecessary delays.

OTHER:

Appointment will be made by the church office with the organist for the rehearsal.

The wedding couple should take Holy Communion the Sunday prior to the ceremony.

REOUIREMENTS:

The bearer of the Cross must be members of the Armenian church, however, the Best Man Man need not be an Armenian.

All wedding ceremonies must be held in the church sanctuary only.

PLEASE feel free to call the church office at 282-3818 for any questions.

St. James Armenian Church Guidelines for FUNERALS

FUNERALS

At the time of death, the Pastor should be contacted immediately.

All funeral services must be held in the church ONLY with the exception of the wake services which may be held at the funeral home.

Eulogy will be given ONLY by the priest.

IN CASE OF CREMATION:

The casket must first come to the church after which time the family may make further plans for the cremation.

DONATIONS, FEES, PAYMENT:

Donation to the church is voluntary to the Parish Council. Payment can be made to the order of St. James Armenian Church. A tax deductible receipt will be issued.

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St. James Armenian Church

VERY REV. FR. OSHAGAN GULGULIAN PASTOR

834 Pepper Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23226 - 804-282-3818 FAX 804-285-3833

September 2, 1992

Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate Diocese of Armenian Church 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016

Dear Srpasan Hayr:

I do hope this letter finds you feeling well.

With this letter, I am sending you a Guidelines list for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals that I have prepared. We have already begun to use these guidelines but feel that you should be aware of them. I have discussed these guidelines with the Parish Council.

I would appreciate it if you would look these over and make any necessary corrections, additions or deletions as you wish.

I will be awaiting for your reply.

Your brother in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr) Oshagan Gulgulian

OG/vg

St. James Armenian Church Guidelines for FUNERALS

FUNERALS

All funeral services must be held in the church ONLY with the exception of the wake services which may be held at the funeral home.

At the time of death, arrangements should be made with the funeral home first. If any help is needed, please do not hesitate to call the church office.

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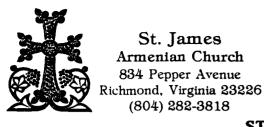
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MEETING WITH PASTOR:

The secretary will make an appointment for the parents to meet with the Pastor.

DOCUMENTS:

A baptismal certificate will be issued upon completion or may be mailed at a later date.

REOUIREMENTS:

IREMENTS:

The Godfather of the baptised must be an Armenian. Having a Godmother is optional and she does not need to be an Armenian.

All Baptisms must be done in the Church Sanctuary.

One of the parents must be an Armenian and have been baptised in the Armenian Church.

FEES, PAYMENTS, DONATIONS.

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The honorarium (gift) for the clergy is at the discretion of the couple. All payments should be made to the office prior to the date.

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The secretary will make an appointment for the wedding couple to meet with the Pastor at least 6 weeks prior to the wedding.

DOCUMENTS:

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REQUIREMENTS:

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All wedding ceremonies must be held in the church sanctuary only.

PLEASE feel free to call the church office at 282-3818 for any questions.

/ERY REV. FR. OSHAGAN GULGULIAN PASTOR

834 Pepper Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23226 - 804-282-3818

Dear Community Member:

During the January 1992 Parish Assembly, the Parish Council was directed to survey the Armenian community of Richmond. The purpose of the survey is to acquire information that will enable St. James Armenian Church to identify needs of the community and help the parish to improve the services it provides.

Church members have taken time to develop the enclosed questionnaire. We hope you will take time to complete and return it in the stamped, self-addressed envelope.

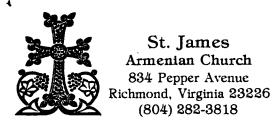
How long will it take you to complete the questionnaire? It may take as few as five minutes, or as long as you would like.

Please return the completed questionnaire on or before July 12, 1992.

Your signature is optional. Your concern is ours.

Sincerely,

Pastor & Parish Council



SURVEY OF THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY St. James Armenian Church

1.	Please indicate you	ır age range by circ	ling the correct category.
	18-25 yrs.	41-50 yrs.	over 65 yrs.
	26-40 yrs.	51-65 yrs.	-
2.	Other than yourself household?	f, how many family m	embers are in your immediate
	none (sir	ngle person househol	d)
	three or	fewer	
	four to s	six persons	
	more than	n six persons	
3.	How often do you at	ttend church service	s at St. James Armenian Church?
	fewer that	an five times per ye	ar
	5 to 12 t	times per year	
	13 to 24	times per year	
	more than	n 24 times per year	
4.	Are you currently a	a dues-paying member	of St. James Armenian Church?
	go t	yes, please to question on the next page.)	no
	If no, have you ever Church?	er been a dues-payin	g member of St. James Armenian
	yes	no	
	If yes, what was th	ne most recent year	of your past membership?

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5. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. Place an X in the appropriate box.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Membership Dues (\$225/person) are too high for the community served by the church.					
St. James offers me ample opportunity to participate in religious activities.					·
St. James offers me ample opportunity to participate in community related activities.					
The Sunday School of St. James is satisfactory for the needs of our community.					
The Sevan is appropriate to the needs of our community.					
I am interested in becoming a member of St. James Armenian Church.					
St. James Armenian Church is on firm financial footing.					

Please write answers to the following questions: Do you believe St. James Armenian Church and the Armenian Church of Α. America have been responsive to the needs of persons in Armenia and the diaspora? yes no don't know Please explain: В. What changes, if any, would you like to see within St. James? What do you like best about St. James Armenian Church? c. What do you like least about St. James Armenian Church? D. E. What ideas do you have to rekindle the 20 to 40 year olds? How can we bring them back to church? How can we interest our community in Sunday School? F.

G.	What is your opinion of prices charged for church associated fun (for example, dinners, luncheons, and dances)?	ctions
н.	Would you like to volunteer to serve St. James Armenian Church? yes, in what capacity would you like to serve?	If
Any	Additional Comments:	ď.
	Name (optional)	

On or before July 12, 1992, please place your completed survey in the stamped, self-addressed envelope and mail it to:

St. James Armenian Church ATTN: Parish Council 834 Pepper Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23226



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BISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE

Թիւ 923 Մայիս 28, 1992

Արժանաշնորն Տ. Ներսէս Ա. Քննյ. Ճէպէձեան Այցելու Հովիւ Ս. Սարգիս Եկեղեցւոյ Տալաս Ֆորթ Ուրրթ.

Ստացած ենք Ս. Սարգիս Եկեղեցւոյ համայնքի Անդամական Ժողովի տեղեկագիրները, որոնցմէ կը տեղեկանանք թէ համայնքի Տարեկան Անդամական Ժողովը գումարուած է Փետրուար 9, 1992-ին, եւ այդ առթիւ ընտրուած են Ծիսական Խորհուրդին եօթը անդամներ։

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Բարի եղէք շուտով Առաջնորդարան ղրկել Ծխական Խորհուրդի նորընտիր դիւանի անդամներուն անունները, նասցէները եւ նեռաձայնի թիւերը։

Այս առթիւ ձեր ուշադրութեան կը յանձնենք որ համաձայն Թեմական Կանոնադրութեան՝ Անդամական Ժողովի դիւանի, Ծխական Խորհուրդի եւ այլ յանձնախումբերու ընտրութիւնները պէտք է ըլլան երկպատիկ ցանկի մը վրայէն եւ գաղտնի քուէարկութեամբ։

Ա'օրինենք Ծխական Խորհուրդի նոր կազմը։ Մեր մաղթանքն է որ Տէրը Իր հովանիին ներքեւ պահէ համայնքի անդամները եւ բոլորին եկեղեցանուէր աշխատանքներուն յաջողութիւն պարգեւէ։

Սիրոյ ողջունիւ

Խաժակ Եպս. Պարսամեան Առաջնորդ

Օրինակ՝ Ծխական ԽորՌուրդի Ատենապետին



Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

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RICHMOND CHAPTER

Dear friend of ACYOA

The ACYOA of St. James Armenian church, Richmond, Virginia is proud to serve as the host of the 21st Annual Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Invitational Tournament, from Friday, May 15 to Sunday, May 17,1992.

A full weekend of enjoyable events are planned. Sport events include men's basketball, women's basketball and co-ed volleyball with individual events consisting of Tavloo and Table Tennis. The social activities include dances, a celebration Dinner Sports Awards Presentation and a "Yertak Parov" Sunday lunch.

Hotel accommodations will be at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Every effort has been made to ensure that this weekend will be comfortable and enjoyable. Hotel is providing complimentary breakfast, 2 hours of managers' special (cocktails), a large swimming pool and a new exercise room.

Enclosed you will find the following:

* Weekend and Sports Registration*
Individual Sports Registration and Waiver
Hotel Registration form (mail directly to hotel)

On behalf of the Richmond ACYOA of St. James Armenian Church, I warmly welcome you to the Heart of the South, Richmond, VA and look forward to your attendance during this fun filled weekend. For futher information please contact me.

*PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PACKAGE PLAN PLUS THE INDIVIDUAL ATHLETIC FEE WILL BE A TOTAL COST OF \$80.00.

Sincerely

Arpi Bouroujian

Chairperson

Richmond ACYOA

10816 Sebring Dr Richmond, VA 23233 (804)270-5444

1992 ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN INVITATIONALTOURNAMENT

Individual Sports Registration Form and Waiver

Welcome to the 1992 Torunament. The Richmond ACYOA is looking forward to your attendance in May. So that we can process your application properly, please indicate which sport(s) y'all plan to participate in, and the Parish team y'all will be representing.

BASKETBALL	
MEN'S	WOMEN'S
VOLLEYBALL	
CO-ED	TAVLOO
TABLE TENNIS	_
PARISH	
	OFFICIAL SPORTS WAIVER
NAME	
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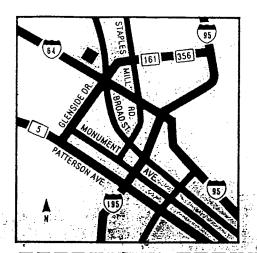
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Թիւ 834 Ապրիլ 1, 1992

Հոգեշնորն Տ. Օշական Վրդ. Կիւլկիւլեան Հովիւ Ս. Յակոբ Եկեղեցւոյ Նախագան Ծխական Խորքուրդի Ռիչմրնտ.

Սիրելի Հայր Օշական,

Ստացած ենք համայնքիդ Անդամական Ժողովի տեղեկագիրները եւ Փետրուար 19, 1992 թուակիր ձեր նամակը, որով կը տեղեկացնէք թէ համայնքիդ Տարեկան Անդամական Ժողովը գումարուած է Փետրուար 2, 1992-ին, եւ այդ առթիւ ընտրուած են Ծիւական Խորհուրդին երկու անդամներ։ Կու տաք քուէարկութեանց արդիւնքը եւ կը խնդրէք նորընտիր անդամներու վաւերացման պաշտօնագիրը։

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BISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE

February 1992

PRIMATE'S MESSAGE

This year the parish of St. James Armenian Church of Richmond, Virginia, will celebrate the 35th anniversary of its consecration with pride and joy.

The Richmond parish has every reason to take pride in its history and past accomplishments. The earliest Armenian settlers on the American continent were citizens of Virginia, who came to these shores in the 17th century. Your present sanctuary was the dream of almost two generations of immigrants from Armenia who worked very hard to bring to realization what they conceived as a house of God and a national center.

The construction and consecration of your new church was not an end but a new beginning for your parish. For several years St. James Church served as the spiritual center of Armenians scattered in the southern states as far as Florida. Thanks to the religious guidance provided by your parish there are now several new parishes in these states. St. James also provided the much needed spiritual nourishment to your community, which grew over the years. In 1971 you expanded your complex and built a cultural/educational center where young people, the leaders of tomorrow, are educated according to the doctrines and traditions of our Church and people. The fact that you have a good Sunday School, an active ACYOA and a membership wherein a large percentage of your community is represented bears testimony to the vitality of your parish.

Anniversaries are meant to have a special significance in parish life. They are like measuring devices used to calculate distances already covered and to plan the future course toward a set goal. The destination of your parish is clear; like all other parishes you must seek salvation through the Church, that is through our Lord Jesus Christ.

May He guide you all through many more years of community life and may every moment of those years be filled with His grace and love.

With prayers,

Bp.K. Banaun'an

Bishop Khajag Barsamian

Primate



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BISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE

Թիւ 716 Յունուար 27, 1992

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Վենափառ Stp,

Ռիչմընտ Վիրճինիայի Ս. Յակոբ Եկեղեցւոյ օծման 35-ամեակը պիտի նշուի տարւոյս Փետրուար 16-ին։

Հակառակ անոր որ Վիրճինիայի մէջ հայեր բնակութիւն հաստատած են դարուս սկիզբները, սակայն անոց թիւի սակաւութեան պատճառաւ եկեղեցական համայնք մը կազմուած չէ։ Միայն 1956 թուականին է որ կարելի եղած է հիմը դնել Ս. Յակոբ Եկեղեցւոյ, որ մինչեւ այսօր կը հոգատարէ շրջանի հայութեան հոգեւոր եւ ընկերային կեանքի կարիքները։ Համայնքը գործունեայ է եւ ունի եկեղեցապատկան կազմակերպութիւններ։ Հոգեւոր Հովիւն է Հոգշ. Տ. Օշական Վրդ. Կիւլկիւլեան։

Ռիչմընտի Ս. Յակոբ Եկեղեցւոյ Հոգեւոր Հովիւին եւ Ծիսական Խորքուրդին իսնդրանքն է որ Եկեղեցւոյ օծման 35-ամեակին առթիւ Ձերդ Վենափառութիւնը բարի ըլլայ Օրհնութեան Կոնդակ մը շնորնել։

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January 3, 1992

Ms. Arpi Bouroujian Chairperson Armenian Church Youth Organization of America 834 Pepper Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23226

Dear Ms. Bouroujian:

Thank you for your kind invitation dated December 1991. Having spoken with the Very Reverend Father Oshagan Gulgulian, I will be pleased to attend the "Archbishop's Tournament" scheduled to be held in Richmond, Virginia, on May 15-17, 1992.

We will apprise you at a later date of the final travel arrangements made for this event.

May the Lord bless you and all the young people of the ACYOA with His love and wisdom.

With prayers,

Bishop Khajag Barsamian Primate



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RICHMOND CHAPTER

Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016-4885

December, 1991

Your Eminence

On behalf of Richmond ACYOA we would like to extend our most sincere and warmest invitation to intend the 1992 Archbishop Tournament, May 15-17, in Richmond, Virginia.

With approval and complete support from Hayr Soorp Oshagan Gulgulian as well as from our Parish Council, we are honored and excited to be hosting the `1992' Archbishop Tournament in Richmond. We are truly committed in making this one of the BEST Archbishop Tournament ever held in its 21 years of existence.

We do realize that you do have a busy schedule for this we apologize for not sending you a letter of our intentions and invitation prior to now. We are humbly requesting your presence at this event, only if this will not interfere with any Diocesan Priorities.

We are looking forward with great anticipation of your upcoming visit in Febuary for the 35th Anniversary of ST. James Armenian Church. Our Prayers and Thoughts are with you.

Sincerely,

Arpi Bouroujian Chairperson, Richmond ACYOA

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ERY REV. FR. OSHAGAN GULGULIAN **PASTOR**

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November 20, 1991

Arpi Bouroujian Chairlady, ACYOA 10816 Sebring Drive Richmond, Va. 23233

Dear Arpi:

We are in receipt of your letter asking for approval from the Pastor and Parish Council of St. James Armenian Church to hold the Archbishop's Tournament in Richmond in the Spring of 1992.

We wish to thank you for your detailed information regarding this important event that you and Aram Topjian so ably presented during the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday, November 6th. You can be rest assured that you will have our utmost support in the success of this event and we whole-heartedly approve your entire concept.

Please do not hesitate to call upon any member of the Parish Council, our Diocesan Delegate or anyone in the community as we deem this an honor to sponsor such an occasion.

We wish you success and extend you our encouragement in all your future plans. Our prayers are with you and the members of the entire ACYOA.

Prayerfully,

V. Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian

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