



SAINT MARY'S ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

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Very Rev. Fr. Houssig Bagdasian, Pastor

November 10, 1976

His Eminence, Archbishop
Torkom Manoogian
Primate - Diocese of America
630 Second Avenue
New York, New York

Your Eminence:

On Sunday, November 21st, 1976, St. Mary's Armenian Church of Livingston, New Jersey is having a Testimonial Dinner for our Pastor, V. Rev. Fr. Houssig Bagdasian in honor of his appointment to Vicar General of the Diocese of the Armenian Church.

Since your Grace will not be able to attend this special occasion, we kindly request that you forward your message and well wishes for the occasion to me.

Mrs. Dickie Boyajian
154 Grove Street
Montclair, New Jersey 07042

Respectfully yours,

Dickie Boyajian

Dickie Boyajian
Chairlady
Testimonial Dinner

November 19, 1976

Mrs. Dickie Boyajian
Chairlady, Testimonial Dinner
St. Mary Armenian Church
200 West Mount Pleasant Avenue
Livingston, New Jersey 07039

Dear Mrs. Boyajian:

We deeply regret our inability to be with the parishioners of St. Mary's parish this Sunday, and participate with them in the testimonial being tendered to the Very Reverend Father Houssig. We feel a particular joy in any expression of love and esteem for our priests. And especially so in this instance since our headquarters is now sharing with your parish the ability and leadership of your pastor.

Father Houssig has been an effective spiritual leader and an endearing presence in your parish. For this we commend him most highly, because this is the ultimate in a priest's achievement, whatever his rank.

We pray that he may be graced always with God's strength and wisdom, that he may continue to serve so well the church of our fathers, and of their children's children, forever.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate