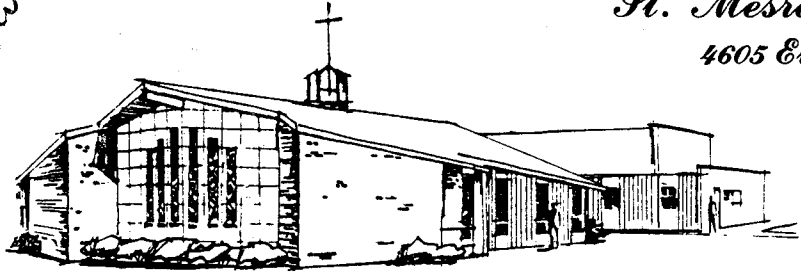


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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

Տէր Կարապետ Քահանայ Բոջաբեան — Հովիւ

March 27, 1990

Very Rev. Fr. Khajag Barsamian, Vicar General
Diocese of The Armenian Church
630 Second Av.,
New York, NY 10016

Dear Hayr Soorp,

This is to up date a corrected address and telephone number for
one of our Diocesan Delegates.

Mr. Kai Kazarian
2921 Old Mill Drive,
Racine, WI 53405
Tel. (414) 637-0347

With brotherly respect,

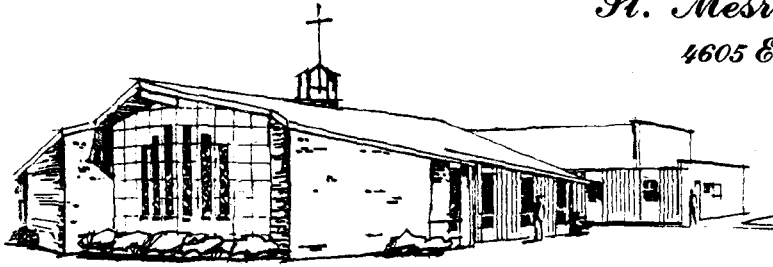
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cc. Syraun Palvetzian

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April 17, 1990

The Very Reverend Khajag Barsamian,
Diocesan Vicar-General
Diocese of the Armenian Church
630 Second Avenue,
New York, NY 10016

Dear Father Khajag,

Enclosed herewith is a letter of verification for the alternate delegate (Sam) Sarkis Akgulian, who shall be attending the Diocesan Assembly in Worcester, MA on May 3rd - 6th, 1990.

Please inform the proper person recording the representatives from St. Mesrob as to the following:

George Stevoff	Parish Council Chairman
Murad Gengozian	Delegate
Kai Kazarian	"
Sarkis Akgulian	Alternate Delegate

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Your Brother in Christ,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed Kochakian



May 24, 1990

Mr. Daniel Sargenian
5221 Old Middle Lane Road
Madison, WI 53705

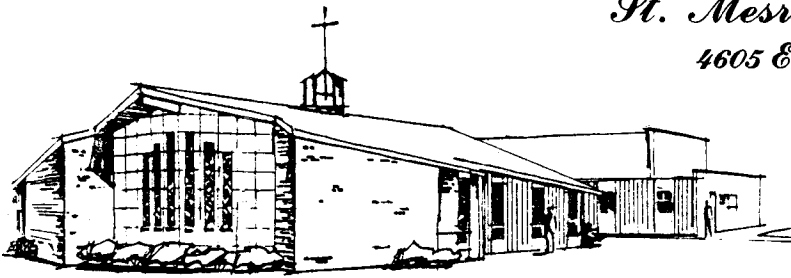
Dear Mr. Sargenian:

We are pleased to inform you that the Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, pastor of St. Mesrob Armenian Church of Racine, will be celebrating the Divine Liturgy on Saturday, June 30, at 10:30 a.m. at the Grace Episcopal Church, located at West Washington Avenue.

Kindly make the necessary arrangements for Father Garabed.

Sincerely,

Mary Berberian



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

Տէր Կարապետ Քահանայ Բոջաբեան — Հովիւ

June 20, 1990

V. Rev. Fr. Khajag Barsamian, Primate
630 Second Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Hayr Soorp:

I am not sure to whom I should present this request, however, I am in need of one (1) Baptism-Christmation Certificate Booklet and one (1) Certificate of Marriage Booklet for our parish.

Could you have them sent out at your earliest convenience.

With Brotherly respect and obedience,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed Kochakian

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7/3/90*





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DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA, 630 SECOND AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10016-4885 212 686-0710

July 25, 1990

The Reverend Fr. Garabed Kochakian
Pastor, St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church
4605 Erie Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53402

Dear Fr. Garabed:

Thank you very much for your letters of July 3 and your observations on the needs of the Madison community.

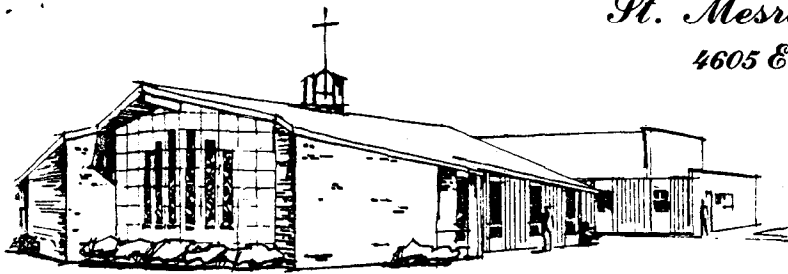
Our mission communities need great support and care from headquarters and that will certainly be a priority in the coming years. Of course, there are the very real hurdles of limited resources--both human and financial--that must be resolved. But with God's help and all of our will and energy, I think we can surmount these formidable obstacles and nourish communities like that of Madison all the better. I am grateful for your service and guidance in this respect.

I look forward to my visit to Racine on the May 18-19, 1991 weekend which we will discuss again as the day approaches.

God bless you and keep you strong and ever able for His sake and that of His faithful Church.

With prayers,

Fr. Khajag Barsamian
Primate



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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July 3, 1990

The Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Diocese of The Armenian Church of America
630 Second Avenue,
New York, NY 10016

Dear Hayr Soorp,

On Saturday morning, June 30th, in the name of the Diocese of The Armenian Church, we of St. Mesrob Armenian Church of Racine, visited the Armenian Community in Madison, Wisconsin. With our deacons, full choir and joined by the deacons and choir members of St. John's Parish of Greenfield, we offered the Soorp Badarak for the Armenians there. Attendance was rather poor despite the fact that it was announced to the community. Also, after the liturgy, the annual outing/picnic for the Armenian Community in Madison was held. There, also, the turnout was meager.

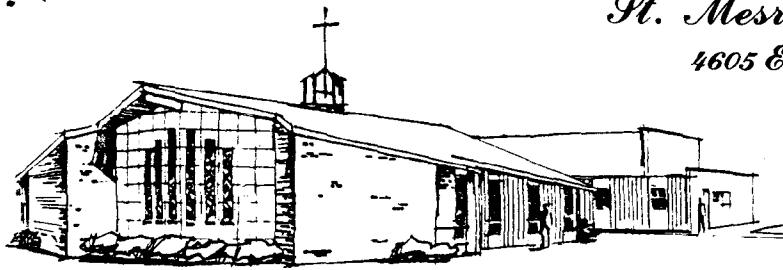
Perhaps, more direct contact from the Diocesan Office would strengthen ties with the church and foster a greater internal strengthening of the group giving to them a greater sense of purpose.

Despite the small number, it was a good experience for our participants and the many from Southeastern Wisconsin that joined us in our Mission to Madison.

With filial love and respect,

Fr. Garabed Kochakian





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July 3, 1990

The Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Diocese of The Armenian Church of America
630 Second Avenue,
New York, NY 10016

Dear Arachnort Hayr Soorp,

On behalf of the St. Mesrob Parish, I wish to re-confirm your visitation to our parish, as we had discussed on the telephone.

May 18 and 19, 1991, we have designated as the weekend you will be able to make a pastoral visit to our parish. We have intentions of celebrating and ordination to the sub-diaconate, while you are here with us. Also, our Church School closing program will be held the same weekend. It will be our joy and pleasure to have you celebrate both of these important events with us.

As plans develop further, we shall inform you of them. We look forward to your first official visit to our community.

With filial respect and obedience,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed D. Kochakian,
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DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA, 630 SECOND AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10016-4885 212 686-0710

August 21, 1990

The Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian
St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church
4605 Erie Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53402

Dear Fr. Garabed:

Thank you for forwarding donations on behalf of the Racine parishioners in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) to the Lebanon Relief Fund and two hundred seventeen dollars and fifteen cents (\$217.15) to the Iranian Earthquake Fund at this time of tragedy and suffering.

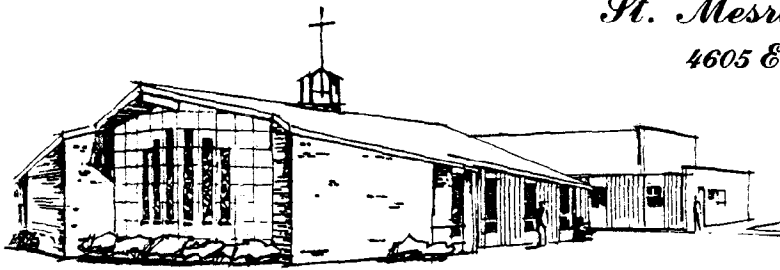
I am deeply grateful for all the efforts of our parishes throughout the Diocese towards humanitarian relief. Your concern will inspire hope and love for all who suffer everywhere. Every contribution we receive brings added strength to suffering people. There would be little hope without the united labors of all our faithful, each gesture of help adding to others, just as in the past, one stone added to another built cathedrals and whole cities.

God bless you, dear faithful, and may He gift us all with peace, courage and unshakable faith.

With prayers,

Fr. Khajag Barsamian
Primate

Enclosure
Receipt Nos. 713 and 714



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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August 7, 1990

The Very Rev. Fr. Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Diocese of The Armenian Church of America
630 Second Av.,
New York, NY 10016

Dear Hayr Soorp,

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$250.00, as a contribution from the St. Mesrob Parish of Racine, for the Lebanon-Armenian Relief Fund established at the Diocese.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$217.15, from a special collection from our parishioners to be forwarded through our Diocese to the proper agencies handling the rebuilding efforts, as a result of the Iranian Earthquake.

We continue to pray for the safety of our Armenian brothers and sisters in Lebanon and for the successful rebuilding of the devastated country of Iran.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed Kochakian

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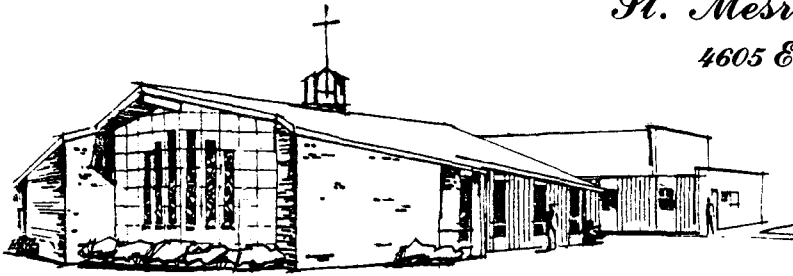
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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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September 12, 1990

*Mary
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Ayer
Done
9/24/90*

Ms. Syraun Palvetzian, Executive Director
Diocese of the Armenian Church
630 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Syraun:

This past week we received the 1990 edition of the Parish Directory from the Diocese. If possible, could you send along to me six (6) more copies as we have need of them for internal office use.

Thank you so much. Hope all is well with you.

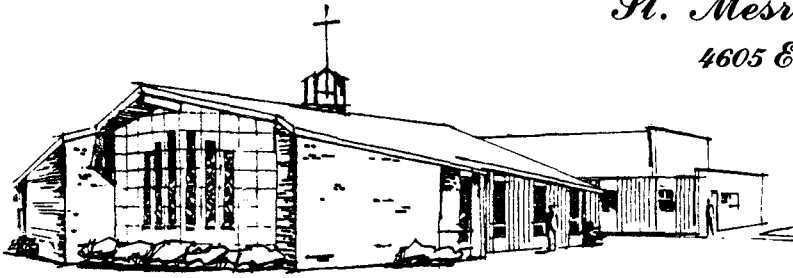
With my prayers,

Fr. Garabed

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To Whom This May Concern

This is to verify that Sarkis Akgulian is a duly elected "Alternate Delegate" of the St. Mesrob Armenian Church of Racine, Wisconsin, and heretofore may participate in the Diocesan Assembly in the name of our parish.

Fw. Fr. Garabed

Father Garabed Kochakian

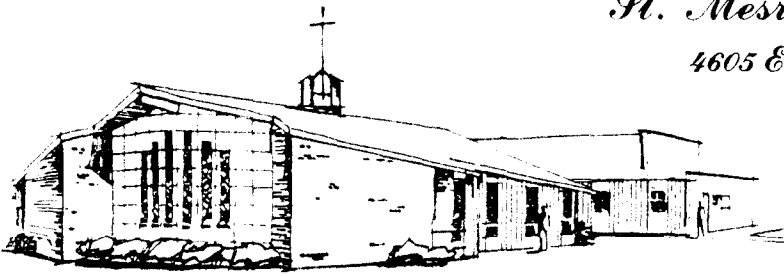
Pastor and President of the Parish Council



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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April 10, 1991

Rt. Rev. Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Diocese of the Armenian Church of N.A.
630 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Srpazan Hayr:

This is to inform your Grace that during the month of July, I shall be out of the diocese on vacation in France July 10-August 2. My travels will take me to Paris and Nice where Yeretzgin and I will be visiting relatives. During my absence my Parish Council will make arrangements with Fr. Haigazoun for Liturgy.

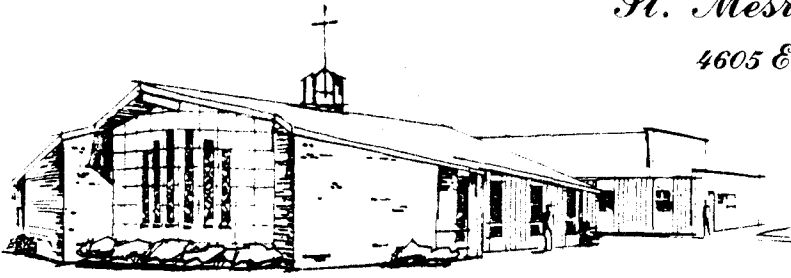
With filial respect,

Fr. Garabed

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April 16, 1991

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

Dear Srpazan Hayr,

Enclosed please find a corrected listing of the Tivan
of the St. Mesrob Parish Council. Please discard the previous
one which was sent to you.

With Filial obedience,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed Kochakian

cc. Nubar Kupelian,
Primate's Admin. Assist.



April 27, 1991

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor
St. Mesrob Armenian Church
4605 Erie Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53402

Dear Fr. Garabed:

This is to inform you that the Primate will arrive at Milwaukee airport on May 25, 1991 at 11:45 a.m. on Northwest flight #1203. He will leave for New York City on May 26, from Milwaukee airport at 2:30 p.m. on Northwest flight #1231.

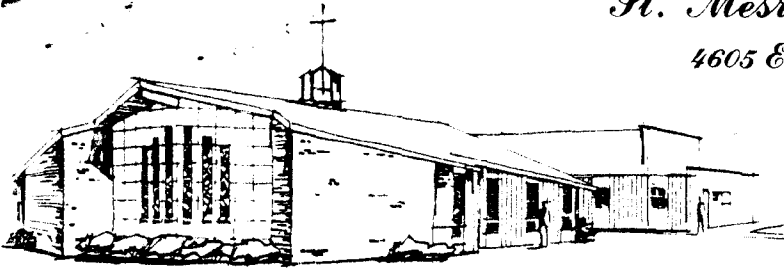
Yours respectfully,

Sylvia Terzibashian
Secretary to the Primate

St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church

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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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March 7, 1991

The Right Reverend Bishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate, Diocese of the Armenian Church of America
630 Second Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Srpazan Hayr:

Our committee members for your forthcoming visit to our parish on the weekend of May 24-26, 1991 are busily at work. Enclosed you will find a preliminary schedule that we have mapped out.

Being aware of your pressing time table for Sunday, we have scheduled the ordination to take place at Vespers and for the celebration banquet to follow. This opens up the Sunday post-liturgical time frame for you to travel back in time for the reception for H. B. Karekin Kazanjian in Fairlawn.

We checked on flights and you can get a Northwest or United from Milwaukee to either Newark or LaGuardia around 2:30 p.m.

As further plans unfold we shall keep you apprised of them.

We look forward to the joy of your presence with us.

With fraternal obedience and respect,

Fr. Garabed

Fr. Garabed Kochakian

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PRIMATE'S VISITATION WEEKEND

TIME TABLE

Friday, May 24th	Primate arrives
Saturday, May 25th	Breakfast with Primate
	Afternoon open for Meetings
	Parish Council
	Examination of ordinand - Daniel Yeghia Korakian
5:30	Episcopal Vespers
	Ordination of Daniel Yeghia Korakian to the Order of Sub-deacon
6:30	Banquet and Program
Sunday, May 26th	
9:00	Morning Service
9:30	Pontifical Divine Liturgy
11:00	Requiem Service
11:45	Sunday School Graduation
12:15	Farewell Fellowship

The Primate can book a 2:30 p.m. flight from Milwaukee and it will arrive in New York LaGuardia at 5:23 p.m.

July 2, 1991

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor
St. Mesrob Armenian Church
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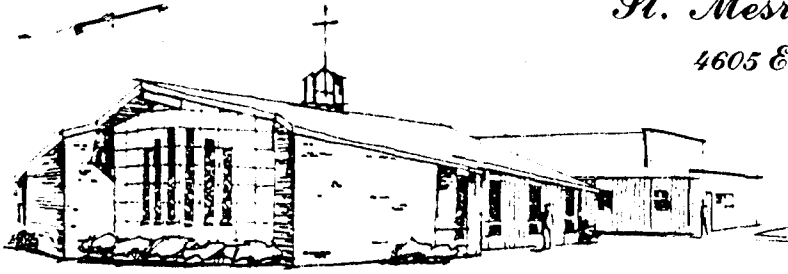
Dear Father Garabed:

Thank you for your letter of June 18 concerning complaints registered with you by parishioners of the Holy Resurrection Church. I can appreciate your frustration as well as your kindness in responding to them as a concerned pastor. Please be assured that a letter has already been dispatched from the Vicar General to Mr. Kashian concerning that letter in particular, with no specific mention made as to how we were made aware of the problem.

God bless you and may He guide us all as we labor in His service.

With prayers,

Bishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate



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June 18, 1991

His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate
630 Second Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Dear Srpazan:

A recent undated letter from the parish of South Milwaukee Holy Resurrection was received by us (see the enclosure). The language, style, content and nature of this 'official' correspondence is most unbecoming a church. Several of the parishioners from South Milwaukee have complained to me recently, not only of this document, but the morale and present situation of the parish.

I can only listen and offer suggestions, as you know, but I feel that the situation should be addressed more directly before it gets totally out of control. I offer these comments with hope that this matter be investigated.

With dutiful respect,

Fr. Garabed Kochakian



July 2, 1991

Mr. Elliot Kashian
Parish Council Chairman
Holy Resurrection Armenian Church
909 Michigan Avenue
South Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53172

Dear Mr. Kashian:

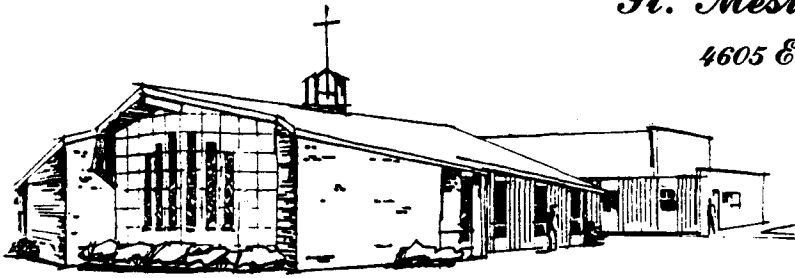
Recently, a number of complaints have been received via the Primate's office concerning correspondence from the Parish Council Chairman of the South Milwaukee Church, specifically an undated letter which, among other announcements, seeks a volunteer typist.

Having received a copy of the memo, I must admit its questionable language and misspellings do not seem appropriate for a letter from an official of the Church. The work of the church is certainly not easy and I am aware of the particulars in the case of South Milwaukee. But any letter from you should still reflect the style, tone, and professionalism of your office. Please consider this in future correspondence.

May God bless and guide us all in every endeavor in His service.

With prayers,

Fr. Haigazoun Najarian
Vicar General



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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November 20, 1991

Miss Mary Berberian
Diocese of The Armenian Church
630 Second Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Dear Mary,

Enclosed is a letter from Hanson Funeral Home attesting to the fact that I had a funeral which did not make it possible for me to fly to Indianapolis. Also, I was ill and the Dr.'s letter will be coming too shortly for refund of air ticket.

Thanks so much.

With Prayers,

Fr. Garabed

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FUNERAL HOME
OF RACINE, INCORPORATED

3014 NORTHWESTERN AVENUE
RACINE, WISCONSIN 53404

November 14, 1991

To whom it may concern,

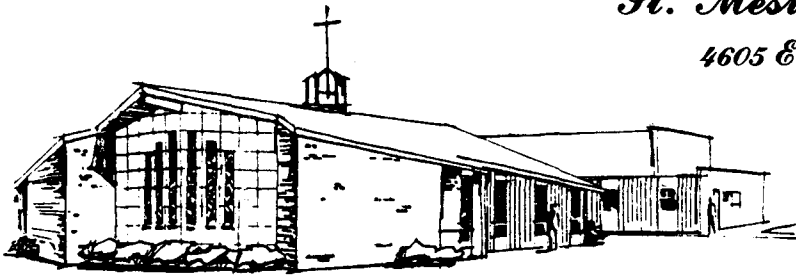
This is a letter of verification stating that Rev. Garabed Kochakian, officiated the funeral service for Mr. Richard Vartanian. Services were held on November 13, 1991 through the Hanson Funeral Home of Racine, 3014 Northwestern Ave. Racine, WI. 53404.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,



Darryl M. Sturino



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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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November 21, 1991

His Grace Khajag Barsamian, Primate
Diocese of The Armenian Church of America
630 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Srpazan Hayr:

It was indeed a pleasure to spend the day with you last Monday and discuss the current issues in Armenia and our churches.

You mentioned that you were seeking an Administrator to assist you at the Diocesan Office. After giving some thought to your need, I offer the name of Mr. Douglas Tashjian, as a possible consideration. As you know, Doug, was the ACYOA Executive Secretary and I worked closely with him during the Vehapar's visit to the states in 1987. He certainly was an asset to our Diocese when he worked there and I know you would be comfortable and compatible with his style and approach to office management. As well, you would be assured of his faithful and respectful demeanor with you and at the Diocese.

I offer this to you, Srpazan, in hopes that it may help find a solution to your search.

With filial respect,

Fr. Garabed

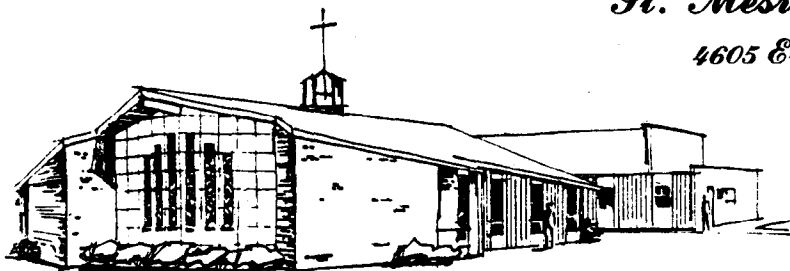
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December 3, 1991

His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate
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Dear Srpazan Hayr:

While speaking about your need for a personal administrator at the Diocesan Office, I thought of yet another name to add to your list of candidates to consider for the position. Rose Akgulian of blessed memory has a son-in-law living in Racine and is presently unemployed. His official position is social work and administration. You may wish to contact him if you are still in need. His name is:

Mr. Michael Guglielmo
618½ Augusta Street
Racine, WI 53402

Tel.No. (414) 639-5521

With continued prayers for a successful resolve to your need.

With filial respect,

Fr. Garabed

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May 22, 1992

Mrs. Mary L. Tewagian
38 So. Indiana Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53405

Dear Mrs. Tewagian:

We were heartened to receive your May 4th letter in which you express many concerns that also weigh heavily on our mind regarding the critical shortage of well trained priests. We share your anxieties and frustrations and like you and many of our faithful in the Mid-West harbor the same fears for our dear people if they are left without a shepherd to lead them and preach the Gospel of Our Lord.

Our focus is precisely that. It is for this reason we have called upon Father Garabed's assistance to share, as you stated, "his talents and capabilities" with the greater Armenian Church.

Though his departure from the St. Mesrob Church presently leaves a void, be assured that we recognize all the concerns which you have expressed. We are currently making every effort, in this period of transition for a suitable solution to satisfy the pastoral needs of your parish.

We pray that the Holy Spirit guide us all in our efforts to resolve such situations that confront us. May Christ's beacon of hope be your guide, blessing you with a strong and faithful spirit as we together continue to seek out those who desire to serve Him in the Church.

With prayers,

Bishop Khajag Barsamian
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Diocese of the Armenian Church in America
630 - 2nd Ave

New York, N.Y. 10016

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April 15, 1992

Mr. Murad Gengozian
Parish Council Chairman
St. Mesrob Armenian Church
4605 Erie St.
Racine, WI 53402

Dear Mr. Gengozian:

We are happy to note that since June, 1982 when Father Garabed Kochakian was appointed Pastor of St. Mesrob Armenian Church, your parish has flourished and become one of the exemplary parishes of our Diocese.

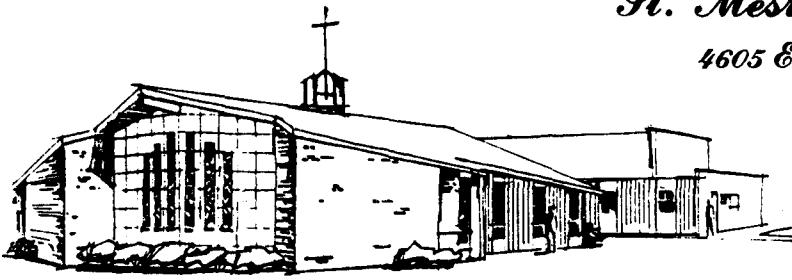
In March, the Very Reverend Father Houssig Bagdassian, Chancellor of the Diocese resigned due to poor health. After consulting with the Diocesan Council, we have come to the conclusion that Fr. Garabed is the appropriate candidate for this position. We fully realize the effect Father Garabed's departure will have on the parish; but this action will enable the Diocese to become stronger and be in a position to better assist the parishes.

We appreciate your understanding; arrangements will be made, in the meantime, for a new pastor to be appointed to St. Mesrob Armenian Church.

God bless you and all the parishioners of St. Mesrob and may the Risen Lord strengthen us and keep us in these trying times.

With prayers,

Bishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate



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May 14, 1992

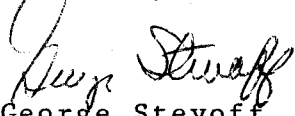
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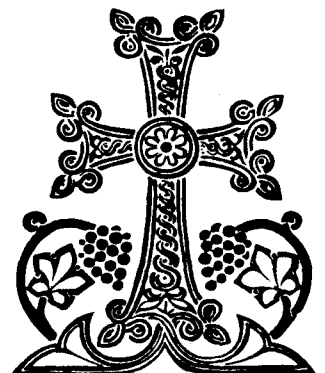
As the attached announcement indicates, the St. Mesrob Parish is having a banquet in honor of Rev. Father Garabed and Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian. The announcement is self-explanatory.

A copy is being sent to you for your information. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,


George Stevoff,
Committee Chairman

Encl.



June 23, 1992

Mr. Murad Gengozian
Parish Council Chairman
St. Mesrob Armenian Church
4605 Erie Street
Racine, WI 53402

Dear Mr. Gengozian:

The Primate, His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian in his letter of March 17, 1992, had informed you that the Cooperative Committee had come up with a pilot plan. The second part of the plan indicated that the Armenian and Sunday School superintendents would meet with their Prelacy counterparts. In addition to your parish, the parishes involved are: St. Mark, Springfield, MA; St. Mary, Washington, D.C.; and St. James, Watertown, MA.

We would like to know how far you have proceeded in your endeavors, so that we can inform the Diocesan Council and the Unity Committee of the results.

As schools are closed for the summer holidays, you have ample time to continue your meetings and discussions in length to resolve any discrepancies that might arise, in order to fully implement the plan by September, 1992.

Hoping to hear your favorable response,

With prayers,

Fr. Haigazoun Najarian
Vicar General

cc: Parish Council Delegate

March 10, 1992

The Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian, Pastor
St. Mesrob Armenian Church
4605 Erie Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53402

Dear Fr. Garabed:

I received your letter of February 10 concerning fundraising efforts made directly to Diocesan parishes.

We are aware of His Beatitude's appeal for Jerusalem's urgent needs and were under the impression they were made directly to individuals. Since no fundraising campaign can go to parishes without going through the Diocesan office first, I will bring the matter to his attention.

With warm prayers for you and your devoted flock.

With prayers,

Bishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate