

Church file.

October 26, 1971

Mr. Edward Mardigian
1525 Tottenham Road
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

Dear Mr. Mardigian:

During the past few sessions of the Diocesan Council, we tried to resolve the misunderstandings that exist between the Pastor of Detroit's St. John's Armenian Church and the Parish Council, but we were not successful.

We will make our final decision at the next meeting of the Diocesan Council, but prior to that we have decided to consult with the parish's delegates and community leaders, such as yourself, and avail ourselves of their helpful counsel.

We will be in Detroit with Diocesan Council Chairman Crosby Goshgarian on Monday, November 1st, for this purpose. It is our earnest wish that you participate in this meeting, for the future welfare of the Detroit parish.

Mr. Edward Korkoian, a delegate from the St. John's parish who is also a member of the Diocesan Council, will be making the arrangements for this meeting with respect to the time and place.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate

(translation of accompanying letter written in Armenian)



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Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

July 14, 1972

The following is a translation of the attached letter #23618 dated July 14, 1972

We are in the process of making a number of reassignments of the pastors in our Diocese. In this connection, we had informed you earlier that we would communicate with you as soon as specific arrangements were made.

In accordance with these arrangements, we are appointing you the Pastor of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church Parish in Cleveland, Ohio.

You are to assume your new pastorate following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy in St. John Church in Detroit on Sunday, September 10, 1972.

We are sure you will continue with the same devotion as the servant of our Lord and the spiritual shepherd of the Armenian Church, placing at the disposition of spiritual and cultural life of our people, the special talents God has granted you.

We recommend that your Parish Council make the appropriate announcements of these arrangements to the Detroit community, and organize a public gathering on September 10, as a formal farewell in the name of the Detroit faithful.

We pray that you never lack for the Lord's blessings, and that you remain always healthy in body and spirit.

Prayerfully,

*Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate*

*cc: Mr. Michael Negregian
Parish Council Chairman*

(addressed to The Reverend Diran Papasian)