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ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, PRIMATE

August 23, 1973

TO:

REVEREND CLERGY

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMEN

SUBJECT:

THE ORDINATION OF DEACON RAYMOND ARAKELIAN

INTO PRIESTHOOD

We rejoice in announcing the ordination of Deacon Raymond Arakelian into the priesthood of the Armenian Church in ceremonies that will take place in the St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church of Binghamton, New York, on Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30, 1973.

We apprise you of these tidings that you may share the joy we feel, and that you may for stability of the Church remember the Ordinand in your own prayers before your own altars on that Sunday morning, when we will welcome a new priest into our Church.

May God bless Deacon Raymond, a new shepherd for His flock.

Prayerfully,

Alep. Tornen Munes ran

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian

Primate