Marty,

Regarding the material you sent for inclusion in PAROS, I must make it crystal clear that as of the issue of June, 1987, the title of <u>AGBU PAROS Reporter</u> was deleted from the masthead of the church newsletter. That privilege belongs only to organizations under the by-laws of the Diocese of the Armenian Church and should never have been extended to an outside organization. It is not in the policy of any other church bulletin in the Diocese.

If, occasionally, the AGBU submits an announcement or news item, it should be in the form of a line item adaptable for inclusion under (1) Parish News, (2) incorporation into an article about the same subject, or (3) listing on the Calendar.

Dear one, my affectionate esteem for you and Alice remains the same as it was almost 40 years ago when my husband, the Parish Council chairman, and I, his happy and willing gofer, were dubbed "Honorary ACYOA'ers" because of our support and concern for the youth of the church. I have not changed.

As for those who would like to create a division between us and discord in the community because of a matter of policy, I say (and quote), "A pox upon them!"

> As ever, Joyous in Christ Houce Lockjoen Florence Goekjian

Florence Goekjian PAROS Editor

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# **ST. GREGORY OF NAREK**

**ARMENIAN CHURCH** 

666 Richmond Road Cleveland, Ohio 44143, U.S.A.

REV. FR. DIRAN PAPAZIAN PASTOR

February 17, 1983

Area Code 216-Tel. 381-6590

Mrs. A. Condoyan 34-39 82nd Street Jackson Heights, New York 11372

Dear Mrs. Condoyan:

This is in response to your inquiry made of the Primate regarding the lovely painting donated in memory of your husband.

At the outset, Parish Council decided not to post any name plates on donated items in the Church. However, mention was made of your kind donation in the Consecration Booklet. In addition, reference to your gift is permanently displayed on a plaque in the Church.

Your consideration is continuingly being appreciated.

Very truly yours, andonean

Richard N. Aurslanian Parish Council Secretary

CC: Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian

#### July 7, 1983

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Mr. Robert Bagdasarian 22230 Sandalwood Road Bedford Heights, Ohio 44146

Dear Mr. Bagdasarian:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of June 27, 1983 concerning your request for the federal identification number of the Diocese which is needed by the St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church in order to apply for a Bingo license. This request was presented to the Diocesan Council on Friday, June 24, 1983 and the conclusion was that although there are some Diocesan parishes promoting Bingo, the Diocese does not coddone nor support parishes whicheparmit gambling.

The Diocejan Council shall not take action on your request but would rather suggest other fund raising methods more suitable for church projects.

If your parish council is agreeable we can provide the plans and format for an Oriental Rug Sale which the Diocese has successfully sponsored for the last two years at both its own facility and for several Diocesan parishes.

The plan can be **implemented** by willing rug dealers in your pwn parish or through sources **poovided** by the Diocese.

If the suggestion made for a rug sale is desired by your parish council, please contact us for further details.

Respectfully yours,

Frank Avakian Stonesmon Executive Director

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bcc: Rev. Fr. Mampre Kouzouian, Parish Council Chairman

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The Reverend Father Diran Papazian Pastor, St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church 566 Bichaond Heights Cleveland, Ohio 44143

Dear Father Diran:

H.E. Archbishop Torkom Manoogian has reviewed your 1983 Pariah Council Report, and enclosed is his letter of approval.

However, there were a few discrepancies in the reports which require your attention when preparing next year's report.

- 1. The sample ballots are all single slate, and the minutes do not state when and how the Mominating Committee changed these into double slates.
- 2. The number of votes received by those who were not elected is not recorded. This may cause confusion if a member of the new Parish council resigns and a replacement is required.
- 3. The 1984 Clergy Stipend Guidelines have not been followed in preparing the 1984 budget.

Thank you for submitting your reports in full, and if we can be of any help, please let se know.

Respectfully,

Michael M. Kermian Director

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#### February 12, 1985

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, New York 10016-4885

Dear Soorpazan Hayr:

On behalf of Fr. Diran and this Parish Council, I am writing to Your Grace about a matter vital to our parish.

Recently, we have learned that our Pastor, Fr. Diran is now ready to leave Cleveland, and has been making his wishes known to other parishes.

We have also learned that you are now considering his wish to be transferred to, perhaps, the New York or New Jersey area, and will inform him when the opportunity for such a move arrives.

This leaves us with the prospect of having our priest provided to another parish with no outlook for anyone to take his place.

Two members of the Parish Council and the Diocesan Delegate are planning to attend the Regional Meeting of the Mid-Western Area Churches in Evanston. We would like to have a private time with you there.

May we be assured of your granting our request, so that we may be accurately informed, and properly account to our parish the actions that will follow.

With respect and prayerful greetings,

James H. Nazarian

Parish Council Secretary

Teleptioned Feb. 22/85 Tes JHN/dp

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April 17, 1986

Ms. Joan Campbell Executive Director United States Office of WCC 457 Riverside Drive, Room 1062 New York, NY 10115

Dear Ms. Campbell:

This is to confirm an earlier written communique dated March 11, 1986, sent to you by His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, in reference to my appointement to participate and represent His Eminence to the Ecumenical Forum to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, on October 2,3 and 4, 1986.

I am delighted for this honour and look forward to participate to this Ecumenical Forum. For further correspondence on this matter I would like to ask you to direct your mail to my attention to the above address.

Best wishes to you for the success of this Ecumenical Forum.

Sincerely.

Father Terenig Kondralian

pc: Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate.

October 1, 1986

Mr. Naz Yessayan Treasurer St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church 666 Richmond Road Richmond Heights, OH 44143

Dear Mr. Yessayan:

The parish assessment account of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church shows an outstanding balance of \$528 for the month September, 1986.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this matter.

With prayers,

Fr. Khajag Barsamian Vicar General September 15, 1987

The Very Rev. Fr. Paren Avedikian, Pastor St. John Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Highway Southfield, Michigan 48075

Dear Fr. Paren:

Our parish of St. Gregory of Narek in Cleveland, Ohio, is without a pastor at the present time. We have suggested to the Cleveland parish council to contact you first whenever they need a priest to celebrate the Divine Liturgy or to perform any of the sacraments.

We are confident that you will favorably consider the tequests of the parish council of the St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland for a celebrant according to the schedule they may present.

May the Lord bless you and your loved ones, always.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Primate

cc. Parish Council Chairman, Cleveland



6516 Gates Mills Blvd. Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124

September 13, 1987

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, N. Y. 10016-4885

Your Grace:

Pursuant to our recent talks ending with our last telephone conversation of Sunday September 13, 1987, I am now on behalf of the Armenian Church Community of Cleveland, requesting the services of an Armenian priest for at least two Sundays each month for the St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland, Ohio.

Further, we are requesting permission to use the services of Deacon Michael Ohanessian of Detroit on a regular basis also. This arrangement would fulfill our community need for church services every Sunday.

All of the proper ancillary support services are also ready and in place.

We understand the business realities that go with this type of request and we are prepared to deal with these realities in a positive way.

Respectfully yours,

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Parish Council Chairman

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cc. Fr. Paren Avedikian 7 )

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December 5, 1987

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016-4885

Your Grace:

This is in reference to your letter of November 16, 1987 concerning the Annual Parish Assembly and the Parish Council reports due on February 5, 1988.

Please be advised that the Cleveland parish has scheduled its annual meeting on February 28th. The Parish Council will submit all required reports as quickly as possible after that date.

I remain respectfully yours.

With warmest regards,

Helen Atkian Parish Council Chairman

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December 5, 1987

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016-4885

Your Grace:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of November 27th regarding church services to be held during the week of Armenian Christmas, January 3, I discussed this matter with the Parish Council.

The Parish Council decided against this since in previous years attendance has been minimal. In addition, it would be costly for us to make other arrangements at this time since we have already mailed notices for the December 27 and January 3 services. Due to our present situation in Cleveland, it is necessary that we give early notice to our parishioners so that they do not make other plans.

I hope this does not displease you too much. I am trying my very best to keep things going as smoothly as possible and still keep within the framework of what is required.

I remain respectfully yours,

With warmest regards,

Helen Atkian Parish Council Chairman

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March 29, 1988

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016

Your Grace:

At the Parish Assembly of the St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Apostolic Church on February 28, 1988, the Parish Council was directed to appoint a Pastor Search Committee. The Parish Assembly was quite clear in its directive to us for a full-time Pastor for St. Gregory of Narek.

The members of the Pastor Search Committee are as follows: Moritor Gocaria, Thelma Bagdasarian, Chairman David Andonian Florence Karoghlanian James Nazarian Harold Zahigian

We would appreciation your blessings and prayers so that this committee may pursue and fulfill the wishes of the Parish Assembly. Your guidance and cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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Helen Atkian, Chairman St. Gregory of Narek Parish Council

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# The Notre Dame College Center for Catechetics and Ministry

4545 College Road Cleveland, Ohio 44121 Phone (216) 381-1680

April 12, 1988

Most Reverend Torkom Manoogian Archbishop, Diocese of the Armenian Church 630 Second Avenue New York, New York 10016

Dear Archbishop Torkom:

For the past three years Notre Dame College has been sponsoring an Eastern Church Traditions and Celebrations seminar. This year we will be focusing on the Eastern Oriental Traditions and would like to include the Armenian Tradition. Father Terenig Kondralian had been an active member of our committee, both giving talks and helping to plan the seminars. We miss his input. We understand that Deacon Serop Demirjian has been conducting morning services at St. Gregory of Narek Church, and we wonder if we could ask him to give a talk on the Armenian Tradition. We would like a speaker who resides in the area because our budget is too limited to bring in a speaker and pay for transportation. Would you recommend him or do you have someone else from this area who you would recommend to speak on the Armenian Tradition?

Enclosed is a copy of our brochure from a past program which will give you an idea of what our seminars are like. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to your input.

Yours in Christ,

Sister Mary agnes O'Malley S.N.D.

Sister Mary Agnes O'Malley, S.N.D. Director

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June 9, 1988

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY 10016

Your Grace:

Pursuant to your telephone conversation on June 7, 1988 with Mrs. Thelma Bagdasarian, Chairman of our Pastor Search Committee, this letter will serve as a confirmation for your pastoral visitation to our Parish on Thursday and Friday, July 21 and 22, 1988 with a scheduled departure set for Saturday, July 23 to Watervliet.

We have tentative scheduled a dinner/meeting with the Parish Council, Diocesan Delegate and Chairman of the Pastor Search Committee for Thursday. The following evening, we will schedule a meeting with our organizational executives.

If you should wish any other meetings scheduled, please let us know. Also, please advise of your travel itinerary as soon as it is available, so that we may make appropriate arrangements.

We look forward to having you in our midst and anticipate fruitful deliberations.

Respectfully yours,

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Florence Karoghlanian Chairman Parish Council

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March 17, 1989

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The Very Rev. Fr. Sooren Chinchinian, Pastor St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church 678 Richmond Read Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143

Dear Fr. Sooren:

This is to inform you that His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manaogian will attend the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the consecration of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland, Ohio.

His Eminence is scheduled to arrive in Cleveland on Friday, April 7 at 2:00 p.m. from Detroit on Northwest flight 3004, and will leave for New York City on Monday, April 10 at 10:20 a.m. on USAIR flight 218.

Kindly make the necessary arrangements for his accommodation as well as meetings with the parish council, etc.

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May the Lord bless you all with His love and wisdom.

With prayers,

Fr. Khajag Barsamian Vicar General

c.c. Parish Council Chairman

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

March 13, 1991

Ms. Florence Karoghlanian Chairman, Parish Council St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church 678 Richmond Road Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143

Dear Ms. Karoghlanian:

It recently came to our attention through an item in your newsletter that the St. Gregory of Narek parish is planning a joint celebration of April 24th with the local Prelacy church.

Last year's joint remembrance was a special event mandated by the Diocesan Council at the request of the Unity Committee with the hope that a joint commemoration would hasten the unity process.

No such joint commemorations, however, are presently allowed. I fervently pray that every aspect of church community life will be united in the near future. Until that is realized or until an announcement to the contrary is made, all commemorations and celebrations should be coordinated independently.

God bless you and all the faithful of St. Gregory of Narek.

With prayers,

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Bishop Khajag Barsamian Primate