

HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

101 Ashmead Road, Cheltenham, Pa. 19012

Very Rev. Haigazoun Melkonian Pastor

September 19, 1989

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

Your Eminence:

On August 1, 1989 we relayed to the Office of the Vicar our plans for Your Eminence's pastoral visit for approval. At this time we submit the following:

- A. Friday, November 24, 1989 6:00 PM Dinner meeting with Parish Council and Diocesan Delegates [Prior to lecture on Gomidas Vartabed].
- B. Sunday, November 26, 1989 Ordinations We submit the following for ordination to the diaconate: Sub-deacon Garo Garibian Sub-deacon Shahab Minassian

To ouraragir or sub-deacon: Clerk Khatchadoor Hashas

To Clerk: Male members of the Choir and Acolytes Blessing of Veils for female members

We also need to know Your Eminence's means and time of arrival as well as accommodations, we are prepared to make all arrangements upon Your direction.

Your servant,

Very Rev. Haigazoun Melkonian Pastor

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August 1, 1989

Very Rev. Khajag Barsamian, Vicar General Diocese of the Armenian Church 630 Second Avenue New York, New York 10016

Dear Fr. Khajag:

Some time back you had requested a schedule of the events planned for His Eminence's pastoral visitation to our parish in November of this year. We have now finalized our plans and forward them as per your request.

Friday, November 24, 1989 - 7:30 PM

Archbishop Manoogian's Lecture on Gomidas Vartabed

Saturday, November 25, 1989 - Afternoon

Armenian Language Lab - Session on Armenian Language

Saturday, November 25, 1989 - 8:00 PM

Concert - Maro Partamian

Sunday, November 26, 1989 - 10:30 AM

DIVINE LITURGY - Ordinations and Blessings [We will soon provide His Eminence with a list of names and ranks requested.]

Sunday, November 26, 1989 - Following Services

BANQUET

We hope this will meet with His Eminence's approval.

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/éry Rev. Haigazoun Melkonian Pastor

cc. Archbishop Torkom Manoogian

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PASTORAL VISITATION

OF HIS EMINENCE ARCHIBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, PRIMATE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1989

LECTURE ON GOMIDAS VARTABED

BY

HIS EMINENCE THE PRIMATE

7:30 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1989 11:00 AM WORKSHOP ON ARMENIAN LANGUAGE PRESENTED BY THE ARMENIAN LANGUAGE LAB

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1989 8:00 PM CONCERT

FEATURING MARO PARTAMIAN

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1989 10:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY ORDINATIONS BANQUET Following Church Services

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Pastoral Visitation Friday — Saturday — Sunday November 24 - 25 - 26, 1989



His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

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MARO PARTAMIAN

Mezzo-Soprano

In less than a decade, Mezzo-soprano Maro Partamian, has earned an array of impressive press reviews for her performances in Opera, Oratorio, Symphonic concert and recital in numerous countries of Europe and North and South America.

Maro Partamian after receiving a scholarship to study at the Gomidas Conservatory of Music in Yerevan, Armenia with Professor Tamara Shahnazarian, came to the United States of America. She received her Bachelor of Music degree and a Performance Diploma from Boston Conservatory of Music, went on studying with Jenny Turelli at American Opera Center, Juilliard and acquired Diplomas of Honor from Academia Nazionale de Santa Cecilia (Rome) and Academia Musicale Chigiana (Siena).

Since then Miss Partamian has appeared in Major operatic roles with the Michigan Opera Theatre, American Opera Center in New York City, Greater Miami Opera Company, Teatro Lirico of Puerto Rico, Grand Teatro di Liceo of Barcelona, and the Toledo Opera Company. From the oratorio repertoire, she has sung with the Juilliard Philharmonic and the Symphony Orchestras of Detroit, Toledo, Windsor (Canada), Binghamton, Kalamazoo, and Virginia. She has given recitals in Town Hall and Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center in New York and the Musee Guimet in Paris. Other cities include Buenos Aires, Toronto, Montreal, Los Angels, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Philadelphia. Her voice has also been heard on radio, television, film and the Voice of America.

Miss Partamian has been recipient of numerous awards and grants including the First Prize in the Aram Khatchaturian voice competition, the Silver Medal in the Paris International Voice competition, the French Opera Prize in the Concourso International de canto, Francisco Vinas, Barcelona, Spain. Recently she has been selected to the ninth edition of *Who's Who The World of Women* from Cambridge, England.

Equally at ease performing Tigranian, Gluck, Mahler, Strvinsky, Bach, Verdi, she likewise excels in Armenian song. She has numerous recordings to her credit and recently released a cassette of American Christmas songs in Armenian. In May 1987 she performed in the Festival in Jerusalem, Israel under the directorship of composer Elizabeth Swados and in July went on concert tour in South America.

In March of 1988, Miss Partamian made her debut in New York's Carnegie Hall with the Opera Orchestra of New York in Janacek's "Jenufa," also on May lst 1988 she sang on Broadway in Schubert Theatre for a Gala Performance for Israel's 40th Anniversary. She was on tour around the USA with the Jerusalem production.

"Her voice is a large...the basic sound is that of a full-blown dramatic mezzo-soprano with an attractive timbre colored by a bright, metallic luster...the superior quality of the voice always, shone out."

THE NEW YORK TIMES

"The mezzo solos ('Das Lied von der Erde') offer different problems, and they were wonderfully met by Maro Partamian... Using a plangent, beautiful voice most sensitively, the 'Song of the Earth' reached aching heights of grandeur"

THE NEW HOUSE SYNDICATE

"Her voice took on a full, dark bloom. The middle of her voice was rich and full. The upper range had a youthful fresh quality."

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Holy Trinity Armenian Church Presents MARO PARTAMIAN



Mezzo-Soprano