

CHURCH SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT
1991-1992

There are 14 children registered in Church School for the year period. The staff and class breakdown is as follows:

Head of Church School....	Deacon Norman Odabashian
Superintendent.....	Mrs. Anna Karayan
Advisor.....	Mrs. Florence Goekjian
Art-Bulletin Board.....	Mr. John Bashian
Pre-School.....	Miss Erica Ohanian
Early Elementary.....	(Co-Teachers) Miss Armene Vosgerichian
(Alternate Sundays)	Miss Kimberly Zadnik
Elementary.....	Mrs. Sonia Elloian
Upper Grades.....	(Co-Teachers) Mr. Murad Demirjian
(Alternate Sundays)	Mr. Arek Torosian
ARMENIA Assistant.....	Mrs. Lena Ohanian
Substitute.....	Mrs. Sylva Andonian
Parish Council Liaison...	Mr. Archie Andonian

The curriculum used in the classroom is the Diocese authorized, Department of Religious Education material entitled "Havadampk". Church attendance for all classes every other Sunday in place of Assembly was instituted by Deacon Norman. During the sermon on those Sundays, Deacon Norman provides instruction for the children. Church attendance familiarizes children with the Divine Liturgy and encourages their participation. When there is a visiting Priest, Deacon Norman comes to Church School and leads Assembly Worship and gives special instruction.

After Upper Grades classroom session, the older children go to church and take part in either alter service or in the choir.

On Sundays when there is Church School Assembly, it is a time for devotion and learning. Mrs. Anna Karayan leads and teaches in the Assembly. The schedule is as follows:

Classroom session	10:15 to 11:15 A.M.
Assembly or Church Attendance	11:20 to 12:00 Noon

ASSEMBLY:

Beginning - Acolyte.....Lights Candles
(Children take turns.)

PRAYER - Hayr Mer
- The Lord's Prayer

Sing: Soorp Asdvadz
Mian Soorp

Announcements, Birthdays

Offering - **PRAYER:** Of thine own we have given thee Oh Lord.
Sing: Aseh Asdvadz

Sing: Bible Reading of the Day (Calendar)
Sing: Park Kez Der Asdvadz Mer
Bible Reading briefly explained.

Learning Time: Calendar feast, Armenian Church tradition, Scriptural memorization, a new sharagan taught or make preparation for seasonal program for community presentation.

Sing: Amen Yeghitze - Ortnetzek Uz Der

Closing - Children and staff prepare to depart for church.

In addition to teaching the children the devotional hymns (sharagans), Mrs. Karayan is currently teaching them **Asdvadz Mer**, which will round out their repertoire to enable them to begin to participate at any time in the Church Choir or Alter service.

The activities for 1992 and the month in which occurred are as follows:

- January.....**Armenian Christmas - Holy Communion**
- March.....**Easter - Holy Communion**
- April.....**Religious Education Program - Community**
Speaker: Mrs. Valarie Zahirski
- May.....**Mother's Day Program and Coffee Hour**
Jointly sponsored with AGBU Language School
- October.....**Halloween Party and Coffee Hour**
Children and Community - Sponsored by ACYOA
- November.....**Holy Communion**
- December.....**Christmas Tree Trim Party and Coffee Hour**
Pizza Party for children.
Audience with Archbishop Khajag Barsamian
All Children in Community - Holy Communion
Gift of Sun-Catcher Armenian Cross from Primate and Parish Council for the children.
Christmas Pageant - Birth of Baby Jesus
Candy/Ornament gift to all children from Deacon Norman and the Church School.

In Church School, we teach about the life and teachings of Jesus, the traditions and customs of the Armenian Church and celebrate the feasts and holy days as they appear on the Armenian Church Calendar. We learn prayers and songs in Armenian and English. Appropriate craft projects are provided to emphasize a teaching. It is an honor and a privilege to serve. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Karayan
(Mrs.) Anna Karayan
Church School Superintendent