Saint Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church



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Dear Sister Parish:

The Binghamton Parish Council would like to suggest that all those parishes who are at present paid up in their Diocesan dues pass the following proposals, first in their Parish Council meetings and then in their Parish Assemblies;

> Proposed: That no parish six months or more in arrears of their Diocesan dues, by three months prior to the Diocesan Assembly, shall have any vote in the Diocesan Assembly, nor shall any of their delegates be voted into any office of the Diocesan Assembly or the Diocesan Council. And...

Proposed: Interest on funds borrowed by the Diocese as a direct result of non payment of dues by parishes shall be borne entirely by those parishes who are six months in arrears or more.

We hope that this will encourage those parishes in arrears to pay their dues, and secondly, that it will protect those parishes whose dues are paid from proposals and budget items passed by those who have no intention of paying for them.

It should be self evident that if those parishes paid their dues on time, Diocesan Council would not have to borrow money at today's inflated interest rates. This borrowing causes increases in the Diocesan budget and also increases our parish dues.

If those parishes which which pass such a proposal at their Parish Assemblies will notify our Parish Council, we will correlate plans to introduce and together pass the proposal at the Diocesan Assembly.

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