

St. Gregory Armenian Church  
1985 Parish Assembly  
Chairman's Report

We have completed another successful year. The pledge response was good all things considered. The problem in this area is that our membership is not increasing but of course our expenses are always increasing. I would like to again thank Harry and Jackie Kradjian who have annually donated our pledge dinner.

Throughout the past year we have also continued to enjoy regular church dinners, thanks especially to Kevork Papazian, Mrs. Satenig Ketchoyian, and all of the people that regularly pitch in and help them. Families have also been coming forth and donating the expenses of many of these dinners and we will encourage continuation of this practice.

In May, Alice Bogdasarian went to Fairlawn, New Jersey as our delegate to the Diocesan Assembly and we subsequently received a very fine report of the proceedings.

In June we enjoyed a delicious basterma and egg breakfast which is becoming an annual event. Our church picnic in August was also very successful.

The revitalization of our Women's Guild is continuing and I know will go forward under the able leadership of Adrienne Kachadourian, Beatrice Injajikian, Rose Ketchoyian, and Manoosh Serayderian.

During the past year the church acquired a much needed new organ through the generous donation of Ara Kradjian and his sons in memory of Sophie Kradjian. The church is in dire need of a new roof, work on which has already commenced with the roof proper to be installed after January 1, 1985. We also purchased a car for Hayr Soorp this past year.

Our Hayr Soorp has continued to celebrate Badarak approximately once a month at St. Paul's Church in Syracuse and our Deacon, Professor Hirair Dekmejian has led the congregation in Jashou Services during Hayr Soorp's absences. In November of 1984, Hayr Soorp informed me by letter that he had asked the Primate to reassign him to another parish. I would like to incorporate his letter in my report and read it to you at this time.

We of course accept Hayr Soorp's letter with regrets and wish him well in all of his future endeavors. I would like to personally thank Hayr Soorp for his cooperation in working with me and the Parish Council during the past four years. Our community has remained in tact and we have continued to move forward. The Parish Council is of course exploring every avenue to resolve this upcoming problem and ask for your help and cooperation.

I would like to thank and commend Hayr Soorp for his help and cooperation during the past year and also my fellow council members; John Bogdasarian, Diran Kradjian, Kevork Papazian, Art Kachadourian, and Hagap Injajikian for their dedication and hard work during the past year. I also must mention the hours or work that John Bogdasarian has expended not only in his duties as treasurer but additionally in matters of church repairs and maintenance. Finally on behalf of the Parish Council, I would like to thank all of you for your support and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. George P. Rejebian  
Chairman