Annual Parish Meeting of St. Gregory's Church

Binghamton, New York - 1989

The annual parish meeting was held on Sunday, December 10, 1989. The meeting was opened by chairman, Diran Kradjian at 12:25 pm.

Dr. Vahe Garabedian and Rose Ketchoyian were nominated and elected chairman pro-tem and secretary for the meeting.

Roll call was read by Luke Sarkisian with 38 members present. Ruby Cassidy read the minutes of the 1988 meeting.

The following reports were read.

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- 1. Diran Kradjian read the chairman's report.
- Alice Bogdasarian read her report as diocesan delegate. Diran Kradjian pointed out that it is not necessary to be a delegate to attend diocesan assemblies. Anyone who is interested is welcome.
- 3. Adrienne Kachadourian is coordinator of the My Kinsman Program, a program to welcome students away from home into the community.
- 4. Ruby Cassidy read the Women's Guild Report. She presented a check for \$1000.00 on behalf of Women's Guild to the church.
- 5. Adrienne Kachadourian read the Sunday School report.
- 6. Michael Ketchoyian read the financial and audit report. It was brought out that the scholarship fund was transferred to the general fund because of inactiveness for several years. He also commented on excessive assessments by the Diocese to our chairman.

Luke Sarkisian submitted the 1990 budget and it was unanimously carried.
The cooking class gave \$100.00 to the church.

Michael Ketchoyian suggested having adult Sunday School on the Sundays that we don't have Badarak. In addition, he will write a letter to parish council for a proposal to have all clergy in our Diocese to strive for an increase in church membership. Louise Kontos inquired about having Armenian school program.

Parish Council was asked why we could not have a visiting priest more than once a month. They replied that a lack of number of families exists who are willing to care for visiting priests. A sheet of paper was passed among the attending church members who are willing to care for a visiting priest. At least 14 families were willing to take this responsibility. Parish Council will consider this change of venue shortly.

The nominating report was presented by Dr. George Rejebian. There were seven nominees for four available positions. They were Nishan Ketchoyian, Luke Sarkisian, Dr. Garabed Fattal, Ruby Cassidy, Michael Ketchoyian, Ursula Findikyan, and Garo Kachadourian. The nominations for auditing committee are Diran Kradjian, Pamela Russell, and Grace Baradet & Jack Injajigian. Election results for parish council are Nishan Ketchoyian (25 votes), Garabed Fattal (21 votes), Luke Sarkisian (25 votes), and Ruby Cassidy (25 votes). Election results for auditing committee are Michael Ketchoyian (27 votes), Ursula Findikyan (30 votes), and John Bogdasarian (27 votes). Election results for nominating committee are Diran Kradjian (28 votes), Jack Injajigian (27 votes), and Pamela Russell (19 votes).

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Ketchoyian

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