

*St. John's Armenian Church*



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SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
OF ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH  
AT THE NEW ARMENIAN CULTURAL BUILDING  
INVITATION TO ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday

February 16, 1962

8 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer.
2. Verification of eligible voters.
3. Election of officers for the day.
4. Minutes of previous meeting.
5. Election of Parish Council Members and Auditors.
6. Pastoral report.
7. Parish Council report.
8. Yearly reports.
9. Membership report.
10. Auditors' report.
11. New proposals.
12. Apostolic Society report.
13. Cemetery report.
14. Budget report.
15. Approval of the Proposed Budget for 1962.
16. New Building report.
17. Proposals to the Diocesan Assembly.
18. Introduction of Newly Elected Parish Council Members and Auditors.
19. Adjournment.

Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian  
President, Parish Assembly

Martin Apkarian  
Chairman, Parish Council

Jack H. Simsarian  
Secretary, Parish Council

PASTORAL REPORT  
-1961-

Dear Parishioners,

By the grace and will of God, St. John's Armenian Church of Detroit, has had a year filled with many good works and blessings as the annual reports of Church organizations will suggest.

**MEMBERSHIP** During 1961, the Church membership reached 1,207. This number includes fifty-three additional families as new members of the Church. In keeping with the decision made at the General Membership Meeting last year, the minimum dues of annual church membership was raised from \$10.00 to \$15.00. In 1959, \$7.00 out of the \$10.00 per member was sent to the Diocese. This has been slightly lowered since the Diocesan assembly accepted the proposal of our delegates and we no longer pay per member but by proportionately dividing the Diocesan budget among the parishes. Nevertheless, our local budget has increased to such an extent in view of our new obligations and challenges that it is recommended that the minimum be raised to \$1.00 per week for each family (husband and wife).

The Detroit Parish is one of the largest in number and size if not the largest in our Diocese. The majority of our membership lies within a thirty mile radius. This is one of the most heavily populated Armenian centers. At least 10,000 of the Armenians in metropolitan Detroit expect to be ministered to by our Church. At present, we have 1,700 names on our mailing list. The potential Church membership is obvious and it is recommended that an organized, vigorous, membership campaign be launched.

**CLERGY** The Pastor, Father Arnak Kasparian, and the Associate-Pastor, Father Diran Papazian, worked harmoniously together for the benefit of the Church in discharging their pastoral duties here. Due to the shortage of priests in our Diocese, by arrangement with the Primate, Father Arnak also became Visiting-Pastor of Cleveland. He spent a week-end there each month. Father Diran became Visiting-Pastor of St. Louis, spending one week out of each month there. In addition, Father Arnak, in accordance with his elective office, attended monthly Diocesan Council meetings in New York.

**WORSHIP** Divine Liturgy was celebrated every Sunday and also on major feast days such as St. Stephen's Day (December 25) Nativity and Epiphany (January 6), Vartanantz (February 9), and Maundy Thursday (March 30). Special services were offered on different occasions such as Sunrise Services on Sundays during Lent, Vigil Services on Wednesday nights during Lent, American Christmas Eve service in English, Holy Week observances and Church School Worship program and mid-day services prior to monthly meetings of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Services were conducted and sermons delivered by the Pastors, alternately. Occasionally, for the benefit of the young people, sermons were delivered in English. 2nd Annual Outdoor Badarak and Grape Blessing on the Feast of the Holy Virgin was celebrated at the State Fair Grounds followed by the picnic. Also Annual Madagh and Requiem services were held for the Armenian Veterans of Detroit. Guest clergymen who participated in services throughout the year included our Primate, Archbishop Sion Manoogian, Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan, Haigaser Vartabed Bayramian, and Shahe Vartabed Ajemian.

## SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

During 1961, 108 Baptisms were performed, which included one adult Baptism. Seven singular Confirmations were performed, several engagements were blessed and twenty-two marriage ceremonies were conducted. Fifty funeral services were performed, of which all or part of the "in lieu of flower contributions" were donated to the Church Building Fund. Graves were blessed on Memorial Day and upon request at different times.

On the occasion of the Feast of Nativity and Easter, Holy Communion was administered with a special devotional service to the Church School children. Newly elected officers of Church affiliated groups were officially initiated, blessed, and given Holy Communion.

A general Requiem service was held on February 12, for all those who were deceased in 1960.

## PASTORAL VISITATIONS AND CALLS

Included under pastoral visitations and calls are visiting patients at the hospitals, visiting bereaved families for consolation, home blessings, calls to help solve family and marital problems, and calls on festive, social, sympathy and other occasions. Calls were also made to business places.

All calls and visits were made upon notification formally or by hearsay and as time permitted.

Special visits were also made to the Home Of The Armenian Aged and to Eloise State Hospital to perform services for infirmed Armenians.

**EDUCATIONAL** The Pastors took as active a role as time permitted in teaching in the Armenian Language and Church School.

Upon request, the Pastors lectured to Church affiliated groups. In the Fall, Father Arnak began a series of lectures on Divine Liturgy to the Women's Guild.

Both Pastors participated in the 7th Annual Religious Conference at Kellogg Center in East Lansing, which in 1961 was under the sponsorship of the Parish Council. Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan was the main guest speaker.

We had two public lectures from noted persons on Armenian Culture under the sponsorship of the Church. Dr. Kelekian, physician from Chicago and Dr. E. Varandyan from Ohio State University were the speakers.

Father Diran Papazian gave several messages over the Armenian Radio Hour upon the invitation of the director, Mrs. A. Der Vartanian.

A cultural program about Armenians was presented by Father Diran to the Detroit Cosmopolitan Women's Group. A TV dramatization on Sts. Mesrob and Vartan was also directed by Father Diran on Channel 56. Both of these were arranged by Mrs. A. Attarian.

Father Arnak performed a service of worship on TV by arrangement of Detroit Council of Churches.

Father Diran assisted by Mr. E. Korkoian demonstrated in Armenian the home blessing ceremony at the International Institute. The significance of this ceremony was also explained by Father Diran.

On the occasion of the 1,600th Anniversary of St. Mesrob's birth, a dramatic presentation of the founding of the Armenian letters was written and directed by Father Diran. This was done with the cooperation of the Church Choir and the Armenian Language School.

#### CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

The Pastors shared the responsibility of presiding over and directing the various Church organizations.

Realizing the need, Father Arnak and Mr. M. Apkarian, Parish Council Chairman, organized a Men's Group.

All of the Church organizations accomplished a great deal in their support of the work of the Church and special mention should be given to the success of the Bazaar through their combined efforts under the able chairmanship of Mrs. A. Manoogian and co-chairmanship of Mrs. E. Mardigian. Our thanks go also to our fellow Armenian groups for their help in this project.

#### INTER-CHURCH AND CIVIC RELATIONS

We represented our Church at the Detroit Council Of Churches, serving on the Board. We were guests at the Episcopal Michigan Diocesan Conferences at Cranbrook. We were also guests at the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner of the Armenian Congregational Church. We participated in other non-Armenian Church groups. Father Diran was invited to speak on the "I am an American Day" program in Highland Park on behalf of new citizens. The arrangement for the speaking engagement was made by Mrs. N. Parseghian, English teacher of candidates for citizenship.

**PAPER WORK** The weekly bulletin and the monthly Parish paper, "Torch-bearer," were published along with announcements and flyers. Official correspondence was maintained with the Diocesan office and other Parishes of our Diocese. Upon request, letters pertaining to citizenship, Social Security, recommendations and birth certificates were also written. When necessary, court visits were made to speak on behalf of those in need. Files, ledgers and lists were kept by our Church Secretary, Mrs. Helen Armoudlian, who has worked tirelessly to keep up with the ever increasing work of the Church office. New Forms were devised by the Pastors to facilitate the Church work.

#### TRANSFER TO NEW BUILDING

The successful Dedication Banquet presided over by the Primate marked the beginning of the use of our new building in Southfield.

By October 1, Church services were being conducted in the Chapel and all Church functions had been transferred to this New Center.

#### PONTIFICAL RECOGNITION

At the Dedication Banquet, our community leaders, Mr. Alex Manoogian and Mr. Edward Mardigian were presented encyclicals from His Holiness Lord Lord Vasken I, the Catholicos of All Armenians, in reference to the Medals of the Insignia of St. Gregory the Illuminator, First Order, which they had received

during the historical visit of His Holiness to Detroit in 1960.

The Pastors, in the presence of members of the Parish Council, at the home of Deacon Levon N. Zenian, presented to him an encyclical from the Catholicos in recognition of his outstanding contributions in the field of religious education.

Father Arnak was also honored for faithful service with an encyclical from the Catholicos which gave him the right to wear The Pectoral-Cross-For Priests. Father Arnak received the Cross from the Primate who had brought it from Holy Etchmiadzin recently.

Our Parish rejoiced with our honored parishioners on these memorable occasions.

**PILGRIMAGE** Both Father Arnak and Father Diran, respectively, organized pilgrimages to the Holy See of Etchmiadzin in the summer of 1960 and 1961. Upon his return, Father Arnak showed his rich collection of interesting slides to various church and civic groups; one of which was at the International Institute.

The highlights of his trip abroad were first and foremost that Father Diran had the opportunity of celebrating Divine Liturgy and delivering the sermon at the Monastery of Holy Etchmiadzin in the presence of the Catholicos and Members Of The Brotherhood.

Father Diran was privileged in receiving as a personal gift from His Holiness, a lovely gold Hand-Cross, with precious stones embedded in it, as a sign of appreciation and encouragement. He participated in the historical funeral of Patriarch Archbishop Karekin Khachadourian in Istanbul, presided over by the Catholicos. In Jerusalem, he celebrated Divine Liturgy and delivered the sermon at the Holy Sepulchre in the presence of the Members of the Brotherhood of St. James Monastery.

Upon his return, Father Diran showed slides of his trip to several church and civic groups, including International Institute.

#### **PASTORAL CHANGE**

Father Arnak was appointed in late December by the Primate as Pastor of the newly organized Bergen County, New Jersey Parish.

Father Diran at the same time was made, by the Primate, the responsible Pastor of our Detroit Parish.

**APPRECIATIONS** Our Lord has called all of His faithful to work in His vineyard, His Church. We have been especially blessed in our Parish with many devoted and able Christian Souls. There are many unsung laborers who are not thanked formally but whose work is indispensable for the growth of the Church. May God give them the strength and dedication to continue their good works.

We would like to acknowledge the outstanding service which has been given by all the Church affiliated groups under the direction of their capable chairmen. Their reports which are herein attached speak for themselves and should be read carefully.

Special mention should be given to the progress of the work of the Apostolic Society under the most able leadership of Mr. Mardigian and Mr. Manoogian. The completion of new Cultural Center is a source of inspiration to all of us.

The Parish Council is to be commended for their fine harmonious teamwork under the enthusiastic chairmanship of Mr. Martin Apkarian.

1962 will be the year of the construction of our new Church by the Grace of God. Everyone's prayers and zealous effort will be necessary for the fruition of this great endeavor.

I pray that God will fill the hearts and minds of our congregation with the deep faith, charity, grace and devotion of our forefathers, thereby bringing about more fully the Kingdom Of God within our Church.

I ask for your continual prayers so that God will pour His graces and wisdom upon your humble servant to guide him in the right way in fulfilling his pastoral duties for the greater glory of God and our Holy Mother Church.

Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian, Pastor  
St. John's Armenian Church  
Detroit, Michigan

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH  
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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1961

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BODY:

Immediately after the General Membership Meeting on February 26, 1961, the Parish Council members met at the Old Cultural Building and elected the executive body for 1961. The officers elected were as follows:

Chairman	Martin Apkarian
Vice-Chairman	Edward Korkoian
Secretary	Jack Simsarian
Ass't Secretary	Adam Karapetian
Treasurer	Charles Stamboulian

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS AND FORMAL TRANSFER:

The combined meeting of the outgoing and incoming Parish Council Members, and the Diocesan Delegates took place at Mr. Martin Apkarian's residence on March 3, 1961, at 8:30 p.m. The following officers were appointed by the executive body:

Bookkeeping	Martin Manoogian
Pledge	Haigas Yagoobian, Chairman
	Martin Manoogian, Ass't
Cultural Buildings	George Mashlakjian, Chairman
	Douglas Takesian, Ass't
Ushers Committee	Edward Korkoian
Budget & Finance	John Semizian, Chairman
	Charles Stamboulian, Ass't
Cemetery Committee	Karl Sarafian, Chairman
	Edward Korkoian, Ass't
Publicity	George Keurajian
Bnagagah, (Books, Plates)	Hairabed Mikaelian
New Years Eve Affair	John Semizian, Chairman
Annual Picnic	Jack Kavlakian, Chairman

Liaison Officers:

Apostolic Society	Martin Apkarian
	Haigas Yagoobian
Armenian School	Adam Karapetian
Sunday School	Haigas Yagoobian
Ladies Auxiliary	Hairabed Mikaelian
	Jack Simsarian
Women's Guild	Edward Korkoian
Komitas Choir	John Semizian
ACYOA	George Mashlakjian
	Douglas Takesian
PTA	Jack Simsarian

It was decided unanimously to hold the regular Parish Council meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, unless notified otherwise.

#### REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL DURING 1961:

A total of 21 regular Parish Council meetings were held. Three of which were with the Diocesan Delegates. Three quarterly meetings with the executive bodies of the church affiliated groups, one special meeting and one combined meeting with the ACYOA were held. 1961 became an eventful year in the history of our church, because it marked the beginning of our cultural enterprise, the largest in the North American Diocese of the Armenian Church.

#### ARMENIAN CEMETERY AT WOODLAWN:

Mr. Karl Sarafian was reappointed as Chairman of this committee which consisted of Mr. Edward Korkoian and Mr. Howard Atesian. The Armenian Memorial Section was blessed on April 6, 1961, by Rev. Arnak Kasparian, assisted by Deacon Harry Ekizian. The Cemetery Committee and a group of parishoners were present at these rites.

In accordance with the agreement signed with Wendorph Associates, Woodlawn Cemetery agrees to construct a \$7,500.00 Shrine; grant 20 spaces for church use, and gives us an option on 1,000 spaces to be reserved exclusively for Armenians, - if 1,200 spaces are sold during a designated period of time. Hence to abide by the agreement, the Parish Council unanimously decided to recommend to the Apostolic Society the purchase of the remaining unsold spaces. The purchase price was \$36,000.00, with 10% down and \$500.00 monthly payment without interest. This program was adopted by the Apostolic Society and carried out as recommended.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Mr. Garbis Ohanian was appointed as Superintendent of Sunday School as of September, 1961, succeeding Rev. Fr. Diran, who being fully occupied with his extensive parish duties was released from this post. On September 17, 1961, the Sunday School was transferred to their new classrooms in the New Cultural Building.

#### ARMENIAN SCHOOL:

With the unanimous approval of the Parish Council members, the name of the Armenian School was changed to the Calouste Gulbenkian School of St. John's Armenian Church, in recognition of the contribution made by the Gulbenkian Foundation.

#### DIOCESAN CONVENTION IN BOSTON, MAY, 1961:

Representing our Parish at the Diocesan Convention in Boston, were Messrs. Martin Apkarian, Edward Korkoian, Edward Mardigian and Howard Atesian. The highlights of the convention were as follows:



1. A record \$80,000.00 budget was adopted for the Diocese, for the ensuing fiscal year. On the recommendation of our Diocesan Delegates, acting according to a directive given to them by the Parish Council, the \$7.00 per parish member diocesan dues was changed to a lump sum assessment on each parish. Under this new system, the assessment for St. John's Armenian Church of Detroit is \$7,000.00, which resulted in a yearly saving of \$2,000.00 for our Parish.
2. Construction of a Cultural Building in the Diocese of New York will be a reality soon, due to a \$500,000.00 gift by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.
3. Founding of an Armenian Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, as a joint project of our Diocese and the California Diocese.

#### MEN'S SOCIETY:

This new organization was formed under the auspices of our church with the vigorous backing of the Parish Council. At their first meeting on May 31, 1961, Mr. Albert Semonian was appointed as Chairman and Mr. Mike Kaysserian as Secretary, and Mr. Sooren Gozmanian as Treasurer. This group will have all the potentialities to assist the Parish Council particularly and the church generally with their various activities.

#### INSURANCE:

The Parish Council formed a committee of insurance brokers. The committee members are Messrs. Harry Ekizian, Noubar Dourjalian, Harry Mardirosian and Harry Terzagian. They are designated to assume the responsibility to look after all of the insurance requirements of the church buildings.

#### PICNIC:

Under the able chairmanship of Mr. Jack Kavlakian, the annual picnic and the "Outdoor Holy Mass and Blessing of the grapes" took place on August 13, 1961, at the Michigan State Fair Grounds. The picnic was a great success. Due to the uncertainty of the weather conditions, a motion was adopted by the Parish Council to forego the outdoor Mass; and have only the picnic which will be highlighted by the Blessing of the Grapes.

#### OFFICIAL OPENING & DEDICATION BANQUET:

On September 10, 1961, the Dedication Banquet and the official opening of the New Cultural Building took place. The dedication ceremonies were presided over by the Primate, Archbishop Sion Manoogian, assisted by our pastors and visiting clergymen. Also in attendance were local government dignitaries and out of town Armenian Civic Leaders. A record crowd of 1,000 persons attended the banquet, which was highlighted by a fund raising campaign. A sum of \$99,154.00 was raised that evening and a \$9,000.00 profit was realized from the dinner. A gold key to the new building was presented to Mr. Martin Apkarian,

Chairman of the Parish Council, by Mr. Edward Mardigian, Chairman of Apostolic Society, marking the official transfer of our New Building to the Parish Council.

Beginning on October 1, 1961, schools and all other activities were transferred to the New Building, with religious services being held in the chapel. The Oakman Blvd. Church is reserved exclusively for funerals and for weddings upon request, until such time as we are able to dispose of the Oakman Blvd. properties. Mr. George Mashlakjian was designated as temporary manager of both new and old buildings and assisted by two helpers to work under his supervision.

#### CHURCH BAZAAR:

The first church bazaar, under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Alex Manoogian and co-chairmanship of Mrs. Edward Mardigian took place on September 22 - 24 at the New Cultural Building. The affair was highly successful and netted a sum of \$10,660.00. All church organizations participated fully in all phases of the bazaar.

#### QUARTERLY MEETINGS:

Three quarterly meetings were held during 1961 with the executive bodies of all church affiliated organizations. The purpose of these meetings was to create a better understanding, interest, and harmonious working relationship in all church activities.

#### ARMENIAN CULTURAL CELEBRATION:

A program to commemorate the 1600th anniversary of the discovery of the Armenian Alphabet was given by the Parish Council on December 10, 1961. His Holiness Vasken I had sent a patriarchal Encyclical to this effect. A tableau depicting the vision of St. Mesrob Mashdotz, prepared by Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian was presented.

In conjunction with this celebration, a dinner was tendered to honor the faculty of the Armenian and Sunday Schools and all the members of the church choir for their devoted service to their church. Chairman for this affair was Edward Korkoian.

#### PATRIARCHAL HONORS:

Our Parish was singularly honored by Vasken I, Catholicos of All Armenians, by the awarding of a "Pectoral Cross" for Priests to Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian, and a Patriarchal Encyclical bestowing his blessings upon Deacon Levon Zenian, for his devoted efforts in Church School Activities.

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE:

The House Committee was appointed by the Parish Council under the Chairmanship of Haigas Yagoobian. The function of this committee is to oversee and implement the proper maintenance of the New Cultural Building. Their actions and recommendations are subject to approval by the Parish Council.

## NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION:

The first New Years Eve Celebration held in our New Building was an outstanding success - financially and artistically. It was a joyous evening for all in attendance. The committee for this affair, under the Chairmanship of Mr. John Semizian, must be complimented for their wonderful organization and presentation of this gala event.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

The Parish Council acknowledges and expresses deep appreciation on behalf of our community to the following groups and individuals for their untiring efforts in assisting them during the year 1961.

Mr. Edward Mardigian and Mr. Alex Manoogian and all the members of the Apostolic Society for the successful completion of the first phase of the Armenian Cultural project.

Mrs. Alex Manoogian and Mrs. Edward Mardigian for their very successful church bazaar.

Mr. Jack Kavlakian for his able chairmanship of the annual church picnic.

Mr. John Semizian for the spectacular New Years Eve Affair.

Mrs. Martin Apkarian for the successful drive in acquiring an organ and a piano for the Sunday School.

Mr. George Mashlakjian for managing both buildings during the very difficult period of transition.

Mr. George Keurajian for again insuring the successful publication of the Torch Bearer.

The Auditors - Mr. Harry Keoleian, Mr. John Bahadurian, Mr. Richard Simonian for the efficient and competent manner in which they audited and set up the book-keeping system for the church and its affiliated organizations.

All the church affiliated organizations, and particularly the Ladies Auxiliary.

The Choir under the leadership of Deacon Harry Ekizian and all the assisting Deacons.

Mrs. Rose Avakian and the Altar Guild for their devoted care of the Altar and Chapel.

Calouste Gulbenkian School Director Mr. Charles Astourian and Principal Mrs. Garbis Alexanian and the faculty.

Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Garbis Ohanian; and Chairman of the Board, Mrs. Vahe Papelian, and their very capable staff.

It is the hope of the Parish Council that each and every one in our community will work more actively in various church activities for our own spiritual and moral betterment, and for the Glory of God.

Jack Simsarian, Secretary  
Parish Council

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

AT DECEMBER 31, 1961

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 9,467.44
Accounts receivable - expense advances	1,543.78
Equipment - purchases since 5/31/59, exclusive of new building equipment	<u>1,491.37</u>
	<u>\$12,502.59</u>

LIABILITIES AND CHURCH EQUITY

Deposits held	\$ 365.00
Payroll taxes withheld and payable	906.12
Clergy fund withheld	150.00
In lieu of flowers and other earmarked funds	1,591.05
Prepaid 1962 membership dues	40.00
Church equity:	
Balance, December 31, 1960	\$15,884.30
Less: excess of expenses and obligations over revenues - year ended December 31, 1961	<u>6,433.88</u>
	<u>9,450.42</u>
	<u>\$12,502.59</u>

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>CHURCH AND NEW CULTURAL BUILDING</u>	<u>OLD CULTURAL BUILDING</u>
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Pledges (Includes \$2,622.50 for prior years)	\$21,609.31	\$21,609.31	\$
Membership fees (includes \$1,348.00 for prior years)	8,226.00	8,226.00	
Collections and candles	5,096.17	5,096.17	
Gifts and requiems	2,990.38	2,990.38	
Weddings, baptisms and funerals	3,775.00	3,775.00	
Christmas and Easter Yugakin	1,510.66	1,510.66	
Picnic and New Year's Eve	3,471.19	3,471.19	
Torch Bearer and miscellaneous	1,365.00	1,309.01	55.99
Interest income	520.56	520.56	
Building rentals	<u>9,064.79</u>	<u>3,894.79</u>	<u>5,170.00</u>
Total revenues	<u>57,629.06</u>	<u>52,403.07</u>	<u>5,225.99</u>
<b>EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS:</b>			
Salaries and expense allowances:			
Priests	9,768.90	9,768.90	
Choirmaster and soloist	1,799.92	1,799.92	
Secretary	3,407.50	3,407.50	
Caretaker	3,955.00	1,600.00	2,355.00
Church and office supplies	1,132.63	1,132.63	
Printing, postage and freight	2,146.98	2,146.98	
General meeting expense	204.96	204.96	
Payroll and property taxes	1,819.21	1,819.21	
Utilities and repairs	5,344.93	2,626.07	2,718.86
Radio Hour announcements and ads	206.00	206.00	
Sunday and Armenian schools	1,559.88	1,559.88	
Dinner - Armenian and Sunday schools	298.71	298.71	
Diocese and other dues and Etchmiadzin donation	7,600.00	7,600.00	
University conferences and studies	450.00	450.00	
Visiting clergy expenses and sundry	626.24	626.24	
Insurance	2,197.91	2,197.91	
Cultural Hall and other rentals	1,110.37	1,110.37	
Hall labor	5,548.95	5,260.95	288.00
Hall supplies and expense	2,884.85	1,311.08	1,573.77
Building fund pledge - new cultural building	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>	
Total expenses and obligations	<u>64,062.94</u>	<u>57,127.31</u>	<u>6,935.63</u>
<b>EXCESS OF EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS OVER REVENUES</b>			
	<u>\$ 6,433.88</u>	<u>\$ 4,724.24</u>	<u>\$ 1,709.64</u>

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH - PARISH COUNCIL  
BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1962

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>NEW CULTURAL BUILDING</u>	<u>OLD CULTURAL BUILDING</u>
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES (other than 1962 Pledges):</b>				
Plates and candles	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$	\$
Gifts and requiems	3,500	3,500		
Baptisms	1,500	1,500		
Weddings	1,000	1,000		
Funerals	1,500	1,500		
Christmas and Easter	2,000	2,000		
Annual activities	3,000	3,000		
Interest income	200	200		
Pledges - prior to 1962	2,000	2,000		
<b>Rental revenues:</b>				
Outside organizations	12,000		12,000	
Church organizations	4,000		4,000	
Miscellaneous income - checkroom, vending machines, etc.	1,000		1,000	
	<u>35,200</u>	<u>18,200</u>	<u>17,000</u>	<u>          </u>
<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Operating expenses - see accompanying schedule	81,955	43,200	33,967	4,788
Equipment purchases	2,500		2,500	
	<u>84,455</u>	<u>43,200</u>	<u>36,467</u>	<u>4,788</u>
<b>EXCESS OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES OVER ESTIMATED REVENUES - 1962 PLEDGE REQUIREMENTS</b>				
	<u>\$49,255</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$19,467</u>	<u>\$ 4,788</u>

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH - PARISH COUNCIL  
BUDGET OF ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES  
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1962

	<u>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>NEW CULTURAL BUILDING</u>	<u>OLD CULTURAL BUILDING</u>
Salaries and wages:				
Priests	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$	\$
Choirmaster	1,200	1,200		
Choir soloist	500	500		
Office	3,000	1,500	1,500	
Building superintendent	6,100		5,200	900
Building maintenance crew	8,060		8,060	
Building temporary help	2,000		2,000	
Total salaries and wages	<u>26,860</u>	<u>9,200</u>	<u>16,760</u>	<u>900</u>
Priests' expense allowances	4,600	4,600		
Payroll taxes	820	285	507	28
Paving assessment taxes	1,000			1,000
Insurance	2,000		1,500	500
Utilities:				
Electricity	5,240		5,000	240
Gas - for heating and kitchen	5,000		4,000	1,000
Water	1,000		1,000	
Telephone	720		600	120
Repairs and maintenance	1,000		500	500
Building and grounds supplies	3,000		3,000	
Miscellaneous expense	600		100	500
Office supplies and expense	2,000	1,000	1,000	
Postage	800	800		
Printing expense	2,000	2,000		
Advertising	600	600		
Diocese dues	7,000	7,000		
Diocese special assessment	5,000	5,000		
Holy See	400	400		
Church supplies	1,000	1,000		
Sunday School expense	1,000	1,000		
Armenian School expense	300	300		
Detroit Council of Churches dues	200	200		
Choir and school dinner	300	300		
Visiting clergy expense	600	600		
Travel expense - clergy and delegates	750	750		
Midwest Conference - religious education	250	250		
Wayne University Armenian Studies	215	215		
Madagh Dinner	100	100		
Charity fund	100	100		
Contribution - new church building	5,000	5,000		
Contingencies	2,500	2,500		
	<u>\$81,955</u>	<u>\$43,200</u>	<u>\$33,967</u>	<u>\$ 4,788</u>





LADIES' AUXILIARY  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANKS - DECEMBER 31, 1960

\$15,543.81

ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:

Membership dues	\$	448.00
Gifts		299.00
Crucifix sales		76.00
Gifts for Mas		52.36
Interest income		407.68
Miscellaneous		10.32
Special activities, net of expenses:		
Bazaar		1,621.26
Vartanantz Affair		1,138.65
Easter bake sale		534.90
Hampartzoom Affair		151.42
Rummage sale		323.72
Picnic		39.48
Michink		423.93
		<u>5,526.72</u>

LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Donations:		
Building fund - new cultural building		15,534.90
Armenian School		210.00
Other		125.52
Tablecovers, postcards and printing		145.25
Flowers		148.75
Miscellaneous		9.49
		<u>16,173.91</u>

EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS

(10,647.19)

CASH IN BANKS - DECEMBER 31, 1961

\$ 4,896.62

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA - SENIOR CHAPTER  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANKS - DECEMBER 31, 1960		\$1,087.82
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:		
Membership and initiation fees	\$ 296.00	
Special activities, net of expenses:		
Spring Spectacular	1,078.20	
Turkey Trot dance and raffle	520.64	
Anniversary Ball	620.68	
Pre-Assembly Party	49.13	
Annual Picnic	36.68	
Cannister Fund	82.82	
Christmas tree sales	77.60	
Miscellaneous	67.59	
	<u>2,829.34</u>	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Remitted to ACYOA Central Council:		
Membership and initiation fees	233.00	
Taxes	352.76	
Anniversary Ball profits - prior year	435.61	
Cultural Building annual rent	400.00	
Contribution to building fund - new cultural building	483.00	
Clergy car assessment	100.00	
Assembly expenses	275.00	
Contribution to Cannister Fund	71.22	
Stationery and supplies	181.10	
Outstanding advances	156.50	
Special activities, net of income:		
Religious and cultural	24.26	
Initiation services	22.00	
Christmas party	35.83	
Miscellaneous	78.50	
	<u>2,848.78</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS		<u>(19.44)</u>
CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1961:		
Cash in banks	214.69	
Cash on hand	853.69	
	<u>214.69</u>	<u>\$1,068.38</u>

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA - JUNIOR CHAPTER

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1960		\$315.25
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:		
Dues and pins	\$ 60.00	
Check room	90.95	
Dances, net of expenses	39.22	
Food sales	163.83	
	<u>354.00</u>	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Contribution to building fund - new cultural building	150.00	
Dues remitted	57.00	
Bake Sale and wiener roast	33.67	
Choir	10.00	
Office expenses	13.60	
Christmas party	24.33	
Miscellaneous	3.00	
	<u>291.60</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS		<u>62.40</u>
CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1961		<u>\$377.65</u>

ALTAR GUILD

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1960	\$ 65.43
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS	-0-
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS: Supplies	<u>9.28</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1961	<u>\$ 56.15</u>

KOMITAS CHOIR  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1960		\$ 816.05
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:		
Plate collections and donations	\$ 598.09	
Special activities, net of expenses:		
Convention	58.59	
Sales of record albums and Badarak books	40.00	
	<u>696.68</u>	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Pledge - construction of new Cultural Building	1,000.00	
Dues and plate collections to Association	108.55	
Gifts - flowers	62.50	
Miscellaneous	45.99	
	<u>1,217.04</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS		<u>(520.36)</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1961		<u>\$ 295.69</u>

MEN'S SOCIETY  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1960		\$ -0-
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS: Member dues	\$231.00	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Refreshments for meetings	37.27	
Bank charges	4.51	
Secretarial expenses	2.10	
Miscellaneous	.35	
	<u>44.23</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS		<u>186.77</u>
CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1961		<u>\$186.77</u>

KALOUST GULBENKIAN ARMENIAN CHURCH SCHOOL  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1960 \$ 961.30

ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:

Offerings	\$3,674.43
Book sales	135.75
Fund raising activities, net of expenses of \$678.00	461.00
Donation	10.00
Church school collections returned	2,050.04
Parish council	350.00
Miscellaneous	60.00
	<u>6,741.22</u>

LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Textbooks, teaching supplies and expense	1,970.82
Postage, stationery and printing	190.55
Books and publications for sale	300.75
Staff meetings and expense	110.07
Religious Education Conferences, East Lansing	45.00
Gifts:	
Pupils and teachers	233.35
Lenten gift - Father Kapikian	161.00
School offerings given to Church	840.16
Worship program expense	215.00
Miscellaneous	214.25
	<u>4,280.95</u>

EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS 2,460.27

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1961 \$3,421.57

ARMENIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1960		\$916.89
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS:		
Donations	\$400.00	
Class fees	95.00	
Book sales	46.80	
	<u>541.80</u>	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Teaching fees and honorariums	336.00	
Teaching materials	167.55	
Printing and mailing	129.75	
Office supplies	67.72	
Christmas gifts and flowers	59.36	
Refreshments for Socials	27.00	
Photography	53.04	
Radio advertising	10.00	
	<u>850.42</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS		<u>(308.62)</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1961		<u>\$608.27</u>

CHURCH SCHOOL PTA  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1961

CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1960:		
Cash in bank	\$ 54.14	
Cash on hand	<u>64.00</u>	\$118.14
ADD - CASH RECEIPTS: membership dues	<u>59.50</u>	
LESS - CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Picnic expense, less donations of \$239.39	7.00	
Printing and mailing	22.43	
Meetings refreshment	<u>11.87</u>	
	<u>41.30</u>	
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS		<u>18.20</u>
CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1961:		
Cash in bank	133.34	
Cash on hand	<u>3.00</u>	<u>\$136.34</u>

NOMINATIONS

FOR PARISH COUNCIL (6 to be elected)

James Baharozian  
 Nubar Essayan  
 Mihran Hoplamazian  
 Kirkor Imirzian  
 Adam Karapetian  
 Edward Korkoian

George Laktzian  
 George Mashlakian  
 Hairabed Mikaelian  
 Charles Stamboulian  
 Douglas Takessian  
 Harry Zartarian

FOR AUDITORS (3 to be elected)

John Bahadurian  
 Alex Chavdarian  
 John Samarian

Albert Semonian  
 Richard Simonian  
 Dikran Tafraian

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