

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR
1984

Dear Parishioners:

By God's grace and mercy we have completed another successful year in the life of our parish. I have summerized my pastoral activities under following headings.

Church Services:

Sunday mornings at 9.30 A.M. I have performed a morning service, followed by Badarak at 10.00. Sermons have been delivered in Armenian or English. Special feast days have been celebrated according to the religious calendar. During Lent, Wednesday evenings at 7.00 P.M. we had church service. The Choir sang the sacred hymns of the Church and members of the A.C.Y.O.A. read the 24 verses of prayers of St. Nerses the Gracious.

SACRAMENTS:

In 1984 we had 1 Betrothal, 3 Baptisms and Confirmations, 2 Weddings and 4 Funerals.

MEETINGS:

I attended and presided over the meetings held by organizations beginning and ending the meetings with a prayer and giving spiritual guidance as needed. I have also attended Regional and other meetings.

VISITATIONS AND SICK CALLS:

I have visited our parishioners on happy and sad occasions. I made sick calls to homes, hospitals as well as convalescent homes.

BLESSING OF HOMES AND GRAVES:

Upon request I blessed the homes of our parishioners at Christmas or Easter and the graves on Memorial Day.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL:

In the Armenian School for children we have 2 pupils, their teacher is Miss Sirvart Simonian. An evening class for adults is being organized.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Administering Communion to Sunday School on Holy Saturday followed by breakfast.

Joint celebration of Armenian Women Saints Day at St. Mark Church in Springfield.

Grand tour to Rev. David Mellon of Conference of Churches of New Britain.

IN APPRECIATION:

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Parish Council, church organizations and parishioners for their understanding, cooperation and support of our church.

Special thanks to our Deacons, the Choir and the Acolytes for their valuable service and dedication.

In conclusion, I say with a warm heart, let us count our many blessings and forget personal moanings and groanings and work for the betterment of the Armenian Church of Holy Resurrection.

It has been my pleasure and privilege to work with you. Thanks for attending this meeting and making it a success with your cooperation.

O Lord bless us all, Amen.


Rev. Fr. Vartan D. Assadourian, Pastor.