## Holy Resurrection Choir of New Britain, CT Annual Report for 1997

## **Financials:**

Balance as of 1/1/97	637.24
Deposits	813.49
Interest	21.37
Withdrawal	<u>737.64</u>
Ending balance as of 12/31/97	734.46

Thank the following individuals for their donations for the year:

Rose and Emil Mosey, Sarah Yagoobian, Leon & Rita Hovanesian, Tim Bagdasarian and the Maritza Ohanesian Fund

The choir did the pre-assembly luncheon in which it made a profit.

Expenses: AACCA Choir Plate Collection

Choir Assembly expenses for Adrienne Damian, Rose Mosey and Dn. Hamlet In lieu of flowers for Fr. Michael to ACHR and CASP

## **Activities:**

The choir hosted the pre-assembly luncheon for the annual meeting with the help of our friends Takouhi Erikian and Christine Azarigian. The choir participated in all activities of the church. Morning Services, Badarak, Lenten Service, Holy Week and Tri-Church functions. The Assistant Director instructed the children's dancing lessons for performance at our annual picnic in August 1997. The Choir Director directed the musical portion of the Christmas Program with Yeretzgin Patricia directing the Sing Along. Our Assistant Organist Susan Sagharian accompanied the children for the Christmas Program.

The Choir members of the church attended rehearsals throughout the year as needed. We were very fortunate to have three of our Sunday School Graduates, Jimmy Omartian, Julia Colpitts and Larry Oxendine join us this year. Jimmy Omartian will be leaving to attend Harvard University to continue his schooling. We him success in his future endeavor.

Rose Mosey and Adrienne Damian sang with The New Britain Chorale, the musical ministry of the New Britain Area Conference of Churches (NEWBRACC) in January 1997. In April 1997, they both represented our parish at the Annual Performance of The New Britain Chorale in which Adrienne was the Soprano Soloist.

In October of 1997, we were very proud to have six altar servers ordained by Archbishop Khajag Barsamian. They were: Ashod Der Aprahamian, Dikran Tashjian, Michael Cannata, Matthew Cannata, Arthur Kosian and Eric Gleason.

Also in October, at the request of the AACCA, our choir participated in holding a special "All Saints Day Badarak" in which members of the choir were among the congregation encouraging the congregation to join in singing of the hymns. A brief survey was distributed in which various questions were asked. The results of the survey from our church members indicated that this

should be repeated with much more planning and that choir members should be disbursed throughout the congregation.

Deacon Hamlet Mehrabian, Adrienne Damian and Rose Mosey attended the Annual AACCA Choir Assembly in Washington, DC from October 16-18, 1997. During the weekend of the Choir Assembly, our Pastor Emeritus, Fr. Michael Buttero, passed away. The entire choir along with choir members from many other parishes joined us for the Badarak and Funeral Service. Fr. Michael Buttero will be remembered along with our past Deacons, Sarkis Davouidlarian and Charles Mazadoorian each and every Sunday during the Badarak.

I wish to thank all my altar servers and choir members for their consistent participation and dedicated to our church each and every Sunday of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Damian

Choir Director/Chairman