

The Annual Reports 1991



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Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly
Armenian Church of Our Saviour
Worcester, Massachusetts

Feb. 24, 1991

The Armenian Church of Our Saviour annual assembly convened on Sunday, February 24, 1991 in the Church Hall at 11:15 a.m. following Church Services, presided by Rev. Father Aved Terzian. The meeting was called to order by Asbed Zakarian, Chairman of the 1990 Assembly. An opening prayer was offered by Der Aved.

The Chair then invited Valerie Babaian, Nominating Committee Chairman to submit names of candidates for ensuing chairman and secretary.

Names of Lutwig Stepanian for Chairman and Bartevo Der Bagdasarian for Secretary were submitted as candidates. There being no nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and one vote was cast by Zarvin Kasparian to complete the election.

The newly elected officers took their seats with the President, Pastor Terzian and with Deacon Norman Odabashian, Assistant to the Pastor, also at the podium.

Chairman Stepanian thanked the outgoing officers and members of committees who had served during the past year. Upon motion duly made and seconded the Agenda for this Assembly, prepared by the Parish Council, was adopted unanimously. The Agenda is made a part of these minutes.

A ballot, prepared by the Nominating Committee, was presented to the Members by Chairman Valerie Babaian for positions to administer affairs of the Parish in 1991 as follows:

Parish Council,

Michael Arakelian
Thomas Garabedian
Gerald Kheboian
Stephen Krikorian
Jenev Sanda
Everett Titus

Nominating Committee,

Marion Aharonian
Seth Bilazarian
Margaret Boosahda
Charles Hoogasian
Ruth Kaprelian
Arpy Migridichian
Ann Pogharian
Rosanna Sogigian

Auditing Committee,

Rick Markello
Francis Najarian
Mark Pogharian
Asbed Zakarian

Endowment Fund Committee,

Karnig Durgarian
Ruth Haddon

In each instance of the several offices to be filled, nominations from the floor were not forthcoming and upon motions duly made and seconded, individually, were accepted by vote of the Assembly.

The Chair then recessed the meeting at 11:30 a.m. for elections and lunch. The luncheon Committee, headed by Rose Toromanian, were thanked for their efforts.

The Assembly Meeting resumed after voting terminated at 12:30 p.m. A tally established that 101 members of the Parish were in attendance.

The Chair undertook to review "The Annual Reports 1990" in the order of their appearance therein giving time for comments, corrections, additions, etcetera. The list follows:

Minutes Annual Parish Assembly, Pages 1-7
Minutes reporting 1989 activity were accepted.

Diocesan Delegates' Report, Pages 8-11
Motion made by Gladys Nordigian, seconded by Zarvin Kasparian.

Move to accept report of the Delegates to the 88th Diocesan Assembly.

Voted affirmatively.

Pastor's Report, Pages 12-25
Motion made by Asbed Zakarian, seconded by Gladys Nordigian.

Move to accept the Pastor's report with grateful appreciation.

Der Aved asked that correction be noted in the heading under *Weddings* were the name of Lana McCoy appears incorrectly as Lisa.

Voted affirmatively as corrected.

Annual Report of the Parish Council, Pages 26-33
Motion was made by Elda Malesky, seconded by Betty Sheehan.

Move to accept the report as presented.

Voted affirmatively.

Diocesan Assembly, Pages 34-35
Motion made by Elda Malesky and seconded by Satenig Donabedian.

Move to accept the report of Co-Chairmen Margaret Zakarian and Gilbert Markarian as rendered.

Voted affirmatively.

A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors, Page 36
Motion made by Satenig Donabedian, seconded by Gladys Nordigian.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors, Page 37

Motion made by Zareh Markarian, seconded by Betty Sheehan.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

Avak Annual Report, Page 38

Motion made by Gladys Nordigian, seconded by Betty Sheehan.

Move to accept.

Margaret Belles pointed out that the words, "Total Membership" should read, "Total Attendees."

Voted affirmatively as corrected.

Babies' and Toddlers' Program, Page 39

Motion made by Asbed Zakarian, seconded by Elda Malesky.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

Centennial Commemoration, Page 40

Motion made by George Migridichian and seconded by James Sarkisian.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

Cultural Organization Report, Pages 41-42

Motion made by Harry Dodakian, seconded by George Migridichian.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

The Ekmalian Choir Report, Page 43

Motion made by Paul Andonian, seconded by Satenig Donabedian

Move to accept.

Voted affirmatively.

Library Committee Report, Page 44

Motion made by Satenig Donabedian, seconded by Betty Sheehan.

Move to accept.

A correction to delete the word *Income* on line 8 is noted. It should be replaced by *Total*.

Voted affirmatively as corrected.

Memorial Endowment Committee Annual Report, Pages 45-46
Motion was made by Satenig Donabedian, seconded by Stephen Sahagian.

Move to accept as rendered.

Voted affirmatively.

Men's Club Report, Page 47
Motion made by Edward Atamian, seconded by Asbed Zakarian.

Move to accept.

Voted affirmatively.

Senior Ladies Auxiliary Annual Report, Page 48
Motion made by Agnes Sahagian, seconded by Satenig Donabedian.

Move to accept as reported.

Voted affirmatively.

Sunday Church School Report, Page 49
Motion made by Paul Andonian, seconded by James Sarkisian.

Move to accept.

Voted affirmatively.

Women's Guild Annual Report, Pages 50-51
Motion made by Agnes Sahagian, seconded by Gladys Nordigian.

Move to accept.

Voted Affirmatively.

Beano Activity Report, Page 52
Motion made by Katherine Sarkisian and seconded by George Migridichian.

Move to accept.

Question was asked how much money has been generated for the Church over the course of 16 years. It was reported as over one-half million. The researched actual amount is \$690,000 through 1990.

Voted Affirmatively.

Zarvin Kasparian suggested that in reviewing Auxiliary Bodies reports some clarification would be desirable and made a motion seconded by Asbed Zakarian.

Move that in the future, Organizations and Auxiliary Bodies of the Parish construct their financial statements to reflect itemized expenses.

In discussion of the motion, Agnes Sahagian affirmed that the Women's Guild had reported items of expenditure but apparently had not been picked up in the Annual Report. Arthur Surabian, Chairman of the Parish Council said he would pursue the matter. He also stated that some auxiliaries had not responded properly on informational forms provided by the Council. Edward Bilzerian suggested that a standard form of financial statement, prepared by the Parish Council, be provided to all concerned Bodies to submit with Annual Reports.

Voted affirmatively.

Motion was made by Vahan Pogharian seconded by George Migridichian.

Move that each Organization or Auxiliary Body of the Church include the names of their respective Executive Committee in the Annual Report.

Voted affirmatively.

Motion was made by Harry Sogigian, seconded by Vahan Pogharian.

Move that the Agenda for the Annual Assembly be included as an integral part of the Annual Report Booklet.

Motion was defeated.

Zareh Markarian acting for the donor of the Baptismal Font inquired as to progress in completing the project. It was understood that in addition to installation of the font, that there would be a painting and also a chandelier. Father Aved explained that the pictorial aspect required approval from the Primate's Office to complete that phase of the project. A time table of approximately six months was given for completion of the project.

Zareh Markarian expressed his thanks for the information.

The Chair indicated the conclusion of Agenda Item Number 10 under heading, "Old Business."

Chairman Stepanian was asked by Laura Purutyan that before proceeding to proposals under New Business if an item "G" relating to Diocesan Delegates' Report could be inserted. There being no objection by the members assembled it was so concluded and will be brought to the table in proper sequence.

Under the caption, "New Business," Suney Kachadoorian suggested that the time for Church Services on the day of the Annual Assembly be made know in advance.

John Toromanian suggested that the Cultural Center Auditorium be used in conjunction with the 1991 Annual Assembly to avoid congestion and confusion which occurs in the Church Hall.

Seth Bilazarian suggested that portraits of the Primate, Bishop Khajag Barsamian, be provided in the Sunday School area.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal "A"

The Memorial Endowment Fund Committee sought to up-date its By-Laws by submitting a revised version which is made a part of these minutes. The purpose, as explained by Edward Bilzerian, Chairman of the Fund, is to legalize some of the language, though the changes were not indicated. However, a copy

of the original version was also submitted and it was left to the membership for comparison. It was stated that there are no significant changes that would negate the original intent and purpose of the document.

A motion was made by Thomas Garabedian, seconded by Asbed Zakarian.

Move to approve the revised By-Laws of the Memorial Endowment Fund as presented.

Considerable discussion pro and con took place.

Voted affirmatively.

Proposal "B"

The Assembly declared its approval that the year 1991 be known as the Centennial Year of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour.

Proposal "C"

Arthur Surabian, Chairman of the Parish Council, requested approval to pursue a study on the question of "Housing for the Elderly." With regard to this question, motion was made by Vahan Pogharian, seconded by Suney Kachadoorian.

Move that the Parish Council appoint a committee to study the feasibility of Elderly Housing in this Parish and report to the Assembly of 1991.

Voted affirmatively.

Proposal "D"

Parish Council Chairman Arthur Surabian addressed the necessity of improving office procedures by updating the current computer system. It is estimated that funding will require approximately \$10,000. The suggestion is made that an amount of \$22,484.48 now in Equity Account and which is the residue of the Cultural Center Building Fund be transferred to Daily Operating Accounts to be used for the purpose outlined.

Motion was made by Zarvin Kasparian, seconded by Arthur Yagjian.

Move to approve transfer of \$22,484.48 from Equity category of the Church finances to Operating category for expenditure to up-date Computer System and refurbish kitchen facilities in the Cultural Center. Remaining balance to be transferred to Church Reserve Fund.

Voted affirmatively.

Proposal "E"

On the question of naming the Church Hall in memory of Very Rev. Fr. Hovsep Sarajian, the membership decided to by-pass the proposal and suggested instead that a single commemorative plaque with the name of Father Sarajian, the Founding Fathers and names of the original Building Committee members be appropriately displayed in the Church Building.

Proposal "F"

Parish Council Chairman Surabian continued briefing the membership with regard to the status of Parish House Rehabilitation. Currently, simple repairs and cosmetic refurbishing are being done. However, serious conditions will not be met except under emergency situations when necessary steps will be taken to alleviate the problem.

The Chair stated that the report from the Council Chairman is noted and approved.

Proposal "G"

Laura Purutyan questioned why the Diocesan Delegates' Report does not give more comprehensive information on the progress of Unity on the Divided Church? Extensive information was imparted to answer this question by Zarvin Kasparian, a member for many years and currently Chairman of the Eastern Diocese Unity Committee and by Asbed Zakarian, member of the Diocesan Council. The subject matter would not ordinarily be available except that these two gentlemen are also members of this Parish.

The essence of what they said has been reported in the 7th paragraph, Page 9 in the Diocesan Delegates' Report. Additionally these facts were pointed out: agreement on By-Laws, realty ownership discrepancies of the Prelacy, absence of Prelacy members at regularly scheduled meetings, obstructive proposals by the opposite Unity Committee members, all these and stretching out the time factor continue to frustrate members of the Diocesan Unity Committee.

A motion was made by Scott Najarian, seconded by Laura Purutyan.

Move that the Diocesan Delegates impart a more comprehensive summary on the progress of Unity in their annual report.

A lengthy discussion by the membership pro and con on the subject and the motion was concluded by a vote that was challenged by Arthur Yagjian because of a narrow margin. The Chair called for a second vote.

Vote was affirmative.

Adoption of "1991 Operating Budget" Item 12 of the Agenda

Adopting the 1991 Budget was brought to the attention of the membership and it was undertaken to review each of the pages in Financial Section of the 1990 Reports, pages 53 through 65 which includes the Auditor's Report also.

On page 53 the Diocesan Assembly line item figure represents Diocesan Assembly Income based on Income and Disbursements recorded in 1990. In 1989, \$2,143.20 in expense was paid which actually results in a Total Net Income of \$37,914.47 for the Assembly.

On page 56, Memorial Biographies, the name Kulunjian should be preceded by his Christian name David.

Also on page 56 under Gifts the name on first line should read Drs. Diran and Setta Apelian.

On page 58 under Earthquake Fund the third line from bottom should read: Total Amount Raised in 1990 instead of 1991.

On page 61, under Memorial Funds Pending the second line name is misspelled, should be Marjorie Sohigian.

On page 63 under Assets, note that the Accounts Receivable item of \$1,000.00 owed by the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors is not reported in their Annual Report appearing on page 57.

Also on page 63 under Equity the item of Diocese Earthquake Fund in the amount of \$39,830.11 should appear under Liabilities which will not affect the bottom line figure.

Zarvin Kasparian brought to the attention of the Parish Council and the membership that interest earnings, which have accumulated on various deposits in the past, have not been allocated to each involved account or fund. These interest earnings should not therefore be defrayable to other income or costs. Accordingly, to correct a long overdue financial inadvertence, Zarvin Kasparian introduced a motion, seconded by Arthur Elloian,

Move that starting in 1991 and annually thereafter, allocation be made of earned interest to the existing and accumulated principal of all restricted or other funds held by the Church of Our Saviour by adding proportionate interest value to each separate account.

In addition, where donors have designated that earnings of their fund be provided for certain purposes, that such disbursements be recorded in the account statement.

Voted affirmatively.

A motion was duly made and seconded as follows:

Move that the Financial Reports as reviewed and corrected by accepted with manifold appreciation.

Voted affirmatively.

Chairman Stepanian directed attention to the 1991 Proposed Budget which appears on Page 64 of the Annual Report 1990.

A motion was made by Arthur Elloian, seconded by Zarvin Kasparian.

Move that the budget proposed by the Parish Council for the calendar year 1991 in the amount of \$305,600.00 be accepted as submitted.

Voted affirmatively.

The Chair recognized Valerie Babaian to report results of the election. Valerie proceeded to thank all members of the Nominating Committee, including Rose Toromanian, Hazel Eljanian, Irene Shooshan, and Ann Pogharian as well as those assisting in tabulation of the ballots.

It was reported that 154 members of the Parish cast their votes. Results of the count are as follows:

For Parish Council

Michael Arakelian
Thomas Garabedian
Gerald Kheboian
Jenev Sanda
Everett Titus
Stephen Krikorian, Alternate

For Nominating Committee

Seth Bilazarian
Ruth Kaprelian
Arpy Migridichian
Rosanna Sogigian
Charles Hoogasian, Alternate

For Auditing Committee

Mark Pogharian
Asbed Zakarian
Rick Markello, Alternate

For Endowment Fund Committee

Ruth Haddon
Karnig Durgarian, Alternate

The Chair thanked the Nominating Committee for their meritorious efforts.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked the participants and asked for adjournment. It was so moved and seconded.

Voted to adjourn at 4:20 p.m.

Benediction

Der Aved thanked Chairman Jerry Stepanian and Secretary Bartev Der Bagdasarian for ably conducting the Assembly also extended thanks to all outgoing and newly elected members of the Parish Council. Equal thanks as well to all elected committee members and volunteers who served the Church during the year past.

The Lord's Prayer was offered in unison and with Father Aved's blessing the members departed.

Respectfully submitted,

Father Aved Terzian
Pastor and President

Bartev Der Bagdasarian
Assembly Secretary

Lutwig J. Stepanian
Assembly Chairman

Diocesan Delegates' Report

Delegates Attending: Rev. Father Aved Terzian, Edward Atamian, Chairman Parish Council, John Merzigian, George Migridichian, alternate, Suney Kachadoorian, Asbed Zakarian, L. Jerry Stepanian, Garabed Hovhanesian, Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman of the Diocesan Unity Committee.

The 89th Assembly's original agenda had five sessions from Thursday, May 9 to Saturday afternoon, May 11. The Invocation was given by His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian, after which a quorum was confirmed. The newly elected delegates were also confirmed. The Assembly Chairman of the 88th Assembly conducted the meeting until the new officers were elected. The nominating committee chaired by Fr. Dajad Davidian and including Asbed Zakarian and John Merzigian presented a slate of assembly officers.

Martin Cholakian was elected chairman, George Marifian as vice chairman. Very Rev. Fr. Krikor Maksoudian was elected Armenian Secretary and Very Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian as assistant. Berjouhi Haigazian was elected English Secretary and Garabed Hovhanesian as assistant.

Prior to the above election, however, the Primate announced that due to the circumstances reported as late as Thursday morning wherein Armenians in Artzakh were being besieged by the Azeris, it was decided to cancel the fifth session and those who wished could participate in a protest march to be held in front of the Russian Embassy in New York on Saturday afternoon, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Buses were provided. This was to be jointly held with the Clergy and laity of the Prelacy. Thus agenda items were prioritized in the early sessions.

The Primate then gave his message during which he recounted the events of May, 1990 in Worcester when and where he was elected Primate, through the hectic pace of the next 12 months during which he made several urgent trips to Etchmiadzin; as well as tending to his many Pastoral duties in the Diocese. He expressed his appreciation for the confidence the delegates showed in his ability to conduct the affairs of the Diocese and asked the delegates to share his burden of the moral and financial obligations under which the Diocesan administration finds itself. His keynote concern is for the nurturing of the youth of our Diocese. He felt very strongly that the future viability of the Armenian Church in America rests with our youth; much as the present state of sophisticated organization is the fruit of the youth of 40 years ago. He noted that with all of its problems the Eastern Diocese is by far the most highly developed Diocesan organization in the diaspora as well as in Armenia.

The protocols of amending the minutes of the 88th Assembly, appointment of Parliamentarians, receiving and hearing from representatives from the Western and Canadian Dioceses, report of the clergy conference was tended to. A memorial for the deceased delegates was conducted during which the late Abraham Sivazlian was remembered. This completed the first session.

The second session held on Friday morning consisted of the following highlights:

A slate of candidates for Diocesan Council, Diocesan Board of Trustees, Nominating Committee, Proposals Committee and the Auditing Committee was presented.

A report on the Earthquake reconstruction was given by the coordinator Ared Bulbuljian who had just returned from Armenia. He reported that work is progressing on structures but the infrastructure is lacking such necessities as utilities.

The Diocesan Council report was supplemented by an agenda item on youth ministry, in light of the previously mentioned goal of the Primate to strengthen youth development. A concurrent panel discussion led by Dean Shahinian of Washington, and a committee of clergy as well as laity discussed

several problems and the ensuing debate became a very lively event with a great deal of emotion. The result was a series of motions asking that at least one day either additional or inclusive be added to the assembly in the future to recognize the youth ministry and its work.

The Treasurer's Report, as well as the Budget and the Auditors Reports were quite thoroughly discussed. In essence, the Diocese is in deficit to about \$900,000 this year. The Primate exhorted the assembly to take the matter seriously and contribute suggestions to relieve the situation.

Victor Arzoumanian, Executive Secretary of the ACEF, reported that the ACEF has assets of over \$14,000,000 provided by some 520 donors.

The third session held on Friday afternoon took up the elections and the proposals. The election results were as follows:

Diocesan Board Trustees

Dr. Lionel Galstaun (one year)
John Amboian (10 years)

Auditing Committee

Sarkis Soultanian

Diocesan Council

Rev. Fr. Vertanes Kalayjian
Rev. Fr. Untzag Nalbandian
Haig Dadourian
Vincent Gurahian
Dean Shahinian

Proposals

Very Rev. Fr. Haigazoun Melkonian
Rev. Fr. Karekin Kasparian
Ruth Bedevian
Dr. Garo Garibian
George Mekenian

Nominating

Rev. Fr. Nersess Jebejian
Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian
Kai Kazarian
Arthur Mardigian
George Marsoubian
Dr. Gary Zamanigian

A motion was made, seconded and passed to the effect that no candidate's name will appear on a ballot without getting the individual's permission.

The following proposals were passed:

- A. A resolution was passed which requested that at least one full day of the next and succeeding assemblies be devoted to youth concerns and development.
- B. The Diocese should encourage parishes to create and maintain sister parish relationships with Armenian churches in Armenia. The exchange of letters, books, liturgical items, sermons, organizational assistance would be in order. Financial and moral support would be the cement by which a solid relationship with the sister church would be established.
- C. The Annual Assembly on alternate years 1992, 1994, etc., devote all of the sessions to youth, young adults, declining church membership, parish council financial problems, pledge and stewardship, senior citizen programs, clergy recruitment, parish communications and Christian Family life.

During the third session, the Primate gave his message in English. The text of his message is available in the church office. He covered the centennial year, unity issue (including a new unified organization chart), Youth ministry (included with the Department of Family Ministry), St. Nerses Seminary, St. James Monastery, and a June International clergy convocation.

During the second session on Friday, Richard Sarajian, Esq., was introduced as the Prelacy observer.

Rev. Father Mardiros Chevian gave a report on activities at St. Nerses Seminary.

George Papelian, Chairman of the Stewardship Program, reported their goal is to reach 1,000 members.

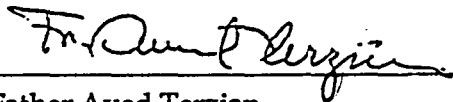
The Saturday session included a report of the Unity Committee by Chairman Zarvin Kasparian. Mr. Kasparian reported that a poll taken of all the Parishes of the Diocese listed some serious concerns, such as what would be the name of the church? What would be the responsibility of the Vehapar? Discussion by the delegates of the Assembly included questions as to why the delay of translating the 1990 Joint Resolution-Prelacy By-Laws into Armenian by the Prelacy delegates, attendance record of the delegates from the Prelacy, etc. A motion was made to instruct our Unity Chairman not to initiate any further meetings and that the initiative should be placed in the hands of the Prelacy Committee Chairman. The motion was passed.

The Budget and Auditors' reports were accepted.

After the Courtesies Committee presented its report, the meeting was closed. The 1992 assembly will be at St. David in Boca Raton, and the 1993 meeting will be at St. Gregory in Chicago.

After the sessions were formerly closed, a majority of the delegates proceeded to New York to make a protest march at the Russian United Nations Delegates office.


Respectfully submitted,



Rev. Father Aved Terzian



Edward Atamian



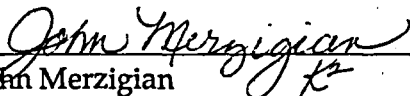
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Suney Kachadoorian



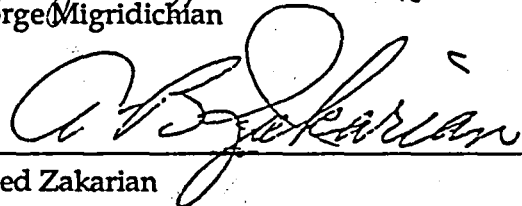
John Merzigian



George Migridichian



L. Jerry Stepanian



Asbed Zakarian

Pastor's Report

The year 1991 was a year of many highs and lows, an emotional roller-coaster for many of our faithful. This year, more so than previous years, the future seems so uncertain to so many.

The main focus of the year was Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Church in America. The Church and grounds were prepared to receive its honored guests, visitors and parishioners for the monumental event. People came from near and far to mark the occasion with us. It left all who attended with a sense of pride, joy and perhaps a positive outlook for the future.

However, the people of Armenia were facing the uncertainty of the Soviet Union, fighting for their independence and for control of their lives. Although the government of the U.S.S.R. had begun to change, our homeland remained in turmoil: continued mayhem and loss of innocent lives in Artzakh (Nagorno-Karabagh), near starvation, little progress and dwindling hope in the Earthquake-stricken regions due to blockades. Yet, they celebrated when their long-awaited dreams of independence became a reality. At last they are free! We pray for our brethren in Armenia and will continue to aid them in any way possible.

In October, another historical event took place in Holy Etchmiadzin, the blessing of the Holy Muron by His Holiness Vasken I, Catholicos of All Armenians, with the participation of His Holiness Karekin II, Catholicos of the See of Cilicia.

The latter part of the year brought economic hardship to many individuals and families throughout the region. The nation's economy has affected their jobs, businesses, and personal lives. People were much more conservative in their overall spending. Therefore, in turn, the economy has affected our Church's income. Our actual income for 1991 was considerably lower than that projected for the year. This means that we need to work harder to find new and innovative ways to serve our community and to generate the funds necessary to meet our budget.

We welcome, with open arms, several Armenian immigrant families coming into our community this year, and hope, that with the recent changes in Armenia, more will follow. Through a special Outreach Fund, I am glad that we have been able to help those in financial need, until they become established in their new home. In the spirit of true Christian charity, the transactions of this Fund are kept confidential.

The following report is an overview of the past year, we must now review it, learn from it and move on. The future is in our hands. In this, the second century of our Church in America, let

us aspire to reach remarkable goals - to make the Church the center of life for every parishioner; to teach our children about the past, and prepare them for the future; and to bring us all closer to God and renew our faith in Him.

I hereby submit my Pastor's Report to His Grace the Primate, and our beloved parishioners.

Assistant to the Pastor

In February, the need for an assistant to the pastor, was filled by Deacon Norman Odabashian. The Primate assigned Deacon Norman to our parish to assist the pastor knowing that here Deacon Norman will have the advantage of invaluable work experience.

He has been of great value to me over the past year, particularly in the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors, Sunday School, the Messenger, and the Church Office. In addition, he has assisted me with hospital visitations, sacraments, deacon's training, coordination of altar servers, as well as special assignments. Our parishioners have made him feel at home here and I am glad to have him as my assistant. We pray that his time spent in Worcester will benefit him as much as it has our parish.

Worship

Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak) was celebrated every Sunday, with the assistance of the Deacons, Sub-deacons and the Church Choir, following morning service, which is led by Deacon Norman. I am most pleased to report that a recent study indicated that attendance at both morning service and Divine Liturgy has increased 35% over the past three years, and that there are more young parents attending services than in the past. May God continue to bless all of faithful, our Choir and Altar Servers for their dedication.

The following clergy have visited our parish and have served as guest celebrant and/or preacher this year:

Guest Celebrants and/or Preachers

His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Patriarch of Jerusalem
His Grace Bishop Kissag Mouradian of Argentina
Very Rev. Fr. Haigazoun Najarian
Very Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian
Rev. Fr. Mardiros Chevian

On the occasion of the Centennial, the following clergy participated in worship

His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Eastern Diocese

His Eminence Archbishop Vatche Hovsepian of the Western Diocese
His Grace Bishop Sevan Gharibian of Jerusalem
His Grace Bishop Hovnan Derderian of the Canadian Diocese
Rev. Fr. Tateos Abdalian
Rev. Fr. Arsen Barsamian
Rev. Fr. Dajad Davidian
Rev. Fr. Garen Gdanian
Very Rev. Oshagan Gulgulian
Very Rev. Fr. Vahan Hovanesian
Rev. Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Very Rev. Fr. Krikor Maksoudian
Very Rev. Fr. Nourhan Manougian
Very Rev. Fr. Haigazoun Najarian
Rev. Fr. Untzag Nalbandian
Rev. Fr. Zenob Nalbandian
Very Rev. Fr. Ghevont Samoorian
Very Rev. Fr. Mesrob Semerjian
Very Rev. Fr. Baret Yeretian

The following have visited our parish this year to participate in a sacrament or program

Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian
Rev. Fr. Dajad Davidian
Rev. Fr. Yeprem Davidian
Very Rev. Fr. Yeznig Balian
Rev. Fr. Partog Hirkacian

Deacon Norman and I preach on alternate Sundays. Our sermons are delivered in both Armenian and English. Aside from our Sunday morning liturgies, several special services were offered, such as the following:

Eve of Theophany January 5, 1991) Divine Liturgy
Armenian Christmas Divine Liturgy (January 6, 1991)
Special Communion for Children (Christmas and Easter)
Lenten Services on Wednesday Evenings
Holy Thursday Divine Liturgy
Holy Week (Full cycle of services)
Martyrs' Day (April 21, 1991)
Ascension Thursday Jashou Service
Feast of St. Stephen (Christmas Eve)
Centennial Weekend: Hrashapar for Patriarch
Ecumenical Vespers Service for Deacon Norman Odabashian (February 5)

Sacraments and Rites - 1991

We have shared the joys and sorrows of the families on these occasions:

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Baptisms

- Alexis Zarri Dhembe - February 3. Daughter of Albert and Zarri (Hougasian) Dhembe
- Peter Anthony Wasiuk - April 6. Son of Anthony and Darrylin Besnilian-Wasiuk
- Vahan James Donoian - April 23. Son of Gregory and Linda Donoian
- Alexandra Kelsey Benton - May 25. Daughter of Audwin and Ann Benton
- Stephen Andrew-James Pottle - June 30. Sone of Steven and Margaret Pottle
- Brynne Austin Arakelian - July 7. Daughter of David and Barbara (Parsegian) Arakelian
- Lauren Margaret Weldon - July 7. Daughter of Paul and Karen (Arakelian) Weldon
- Christopher Avedis Eknaian - August 3. Son of Herman and Teresa (Bower) Eknaian
- Stephen Barry Mansfield - August 25. Son of Barry and Cynthia (Dirazonian) Mansfield
- Alex Minas Mooradian - September 15. Son of Arthur and Donna (Barsamian) Mooradian
- John Michael Surabian - September 29. Son of Andrew and Joanne Surabian
- Jeffrey Michael Elloian - October 13. Son of Arthur and Kathleen Elloian
- Robin Katherine Garabedian - October 26. Daughter of Robert and Lucy Garabedian
- Matthew Abraham Sivazlian - November 24. Son of Mark and Jo Ann Sivazlian
- Ani Satenig Aroian - December 21. Daughter of Mihran and Karen Aroian
- Nicole Sage Carpenter - December 22. Daughter of Paul and Irene (Mikitarian) Carpenter

Chrismation

Cheryl Bliss

Weddings

- Maryellen Papelian and Ronald J. Villa - January 26
- Benjamin Hagopian and Joy B. Piche-Smith - February 10
- Michael Mshooshian and Sharon Murphy - June 2
- Nancy Nishanian and Joseph Natola - June 30
- Nicholas S. Khachadoorian and Cheryl A. Bliss - August 17
- Tina-Marie Surabian and Steve Kiriako Georgopoulos - September 14
- Sarkis Balian and Heather Ann Enterline - October 12

Andrea Osganian and James Drumstas - November 9
Amy Dirazonian and John Zicolella - November 23
Christine A. Kachajian and Thomas J. McNulty, Jr. - November 23

Engagements

Sarkis Balian and Heather Enterline
Michael Arakelian and Leda Nakash

Funerals

Mary Bedrosian - January 2
Sarkis Melikian - January 11
Dr. Sherman Santoian - February
Nazig Migridichian, March 20
Rose Markarian - April 6
Edward Kalashian - April 7
Gerard Hovagimian - April 14
Gregory K. Sahagian - April 19
Veronica Saradarian - May 28
Lillian Kassabian - May 30
Araksie Chavoor - July 14
Nerses John Kabian - August 29
Levon Jazalean - September 29
Edward Kachajian - November 3
Bruce Aslanian - November 9
Harry Ansbikian - November 14
Leon Manoogian - December 3
Elizabeth Calfaian - December 19

Funerals performed outside of the Church

Isabel Jorjorian - June 26
Stephen Avedian - July 9
Garabed Kassabian - August 23

Primate's Visitation

On February 6th, the Primate presided over a Vespers service to welcome Deacon Norman Odabashian to our parish. A warm fellowship followed. Bishop Khajag also visited our parish on several occasions this year for planning meetings prior to the Centennial.

The Primate participated in the many services and events of the Centennial Weekend. He also presided over meetings of the New England Region on March 9, July 8 and November 25 which were held in Worcester. We look forward to his next visit to our parish which will inevitably be more intimate!

Representing our Parish

I have represented our parish for Regional Clergy meetings and other occasions at the following Churches:

St. Vartan Armenian Cathedral, New York
St. James Armenian Church, Watertown
Holy Trinity Armenian Church, Cambridge
Holy Resurrection Armenian Church, New Britain
St. Mark Armenian Church, Springfield
Holy Cross Armenian Church, Lawrence
Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Church, Providence
Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Church, Chelmsford

Annual Assemblies

Diocesan Assembly

I attended along with delegates from our parish the annual Diocesan Clergy Conference and Diocesan Assembly which was held May 7th through the 10th, in Tenafly, New Jersey.

International Clergy Conference

Armenian clergy from around the world gathered in New York, the week of June 17-22, for the first International Clergy Conference. Over 70 clergymen were in attendance. A multitude of interesting topics were discussed. It was the first meeting of its kind where Bishops, Priests and Deacons from around the world had a forum to exchange thoughts, concerns and ideas about our Church. I was very happy that I had the opportunity to attend.

A.C.Y.O.A. Assembly

Deacon Norman and I attended the Annual A.C.Y.O.A. Assembly and Sports Weekend on September 29 and 30 in Hartford. For the first time, present at our meetings were two

representatives of the youth of Armenia. There was an interesting exchange of ideas and concerns. The representatives of Armenia learned a great deal about the formal structure of our youth organization, and we witnessed their zeal and their relentless spirit.

A major step this year was the formation of a Diocesan Youth Ministry department to be directed by Father Mardiros Chevian.

Although the distance was not a concern this year, other than Scott Najarian, a past chairman of the Assembly, few of our members attended the meetings. Our youth groups need to come together in this manner, for organizational and social exchange and I wish more of our members would have attended.

Visitations

As part of our ministry, Deacon Norman and I have made regular weekly visitations to all Worcester-area hospitals, and on many occasions, visitations to our parishioners in Boston-area hospitals.

Although routine telephone calls are made to each area hospital by our office, we sometimes learn that a parishioner has been hospitalized and released without a visit from either Deacon or me. Sometimes we learn of the hospitalization and plan a visitation only to learn that the person was discharged that morning.

Again we must remind our parishioners that hospitals *do not* notify the Church or pastor of a hospitalized parishioner. We request the assistance of each of our parishioners to rectify that situation, so that no one feels neglected in their time of need. Names of hospitalized individuals may be withheld from the Church Bulletin *upon request*.

We encourage families to notify us of *all* hospitalizations, even if they are out-of-town. If it is not possible for Deacon or I to visit, I will request that another Armenian priest make the visitation, as we have done in the past, when parishioners of another Church are hospitalized in the Worcester area.

We have also visited parishioners in all Worcester and Greater Worcester area nursing homes, during the Christmas and Easter seasons, and as requested, to offer them Holy Communion. I have also attended meetings and luncheons of the Women's Welfare Association, when held in Worcester.

On many occasions, I have gladly visited the homes of the sick or elderly (shut-ins) who are not able to come to Church, to offer comfort and Holy Communion. However, my schedule does not permit me to make these visitations unless they are requested. Please do not hesitate to make such requests known to me.

We have also visited area cemeteries to bless the graves of departed loved ones: on Memorial Day, following 40-day mass (karrasoonk) services, and at the special request of bereaved families.

In addition, we have taken part in many family celebrations: anniversaries, engagements, birthdays, retirements, achievements, testimonials and social gatherings, at the request of our parishioners.

Counseling

Most of my evening hours are passed in counseling sessions. On various occasions, I offered counseling assistance to individuals and families who were facing difficulties, including youths and college students, some of whom are non-Armenian. I consider this an integral part of our ministry. I pray that with God's help they are comforted.

I feel strongly about the necessity for pre-nuptial and marital counseling, pre-confirmation counseling, counseling of bereaved families and pre-baptismal counseling of the parents and godparents. And, to ensure that the participants are properly prepared, many of my evenings are spent helping to educate and bring these individuals closer to their Church in anticipation of these sacraments. We pray that the Holy Spirit grant them spiritual growth.

In recent years, there has been an increased number of elderly parishioners in need of attention, assistance and consolation. Due to budget cuts, changing laws, and language limitations, many are not aware of their benefits and recourse when faced with difficulty. More often than not, the need is greatest when the individual no longer has members of his family to rely upon. It is sometimes at the request of Social Service Agencies that I become involved with their personal lives, sometimes it is because there is no where else for them to turn. Their needs are often physical, psychological, emotional, and becoming more frequent this year - financial.

Further, I try to make myself available for the sick, troubled and the needy of our community, as they are in spiritual as well as physical pain. I pray that my visits lighten their burdens and help ease their suffering.

Publications

Our Church publication, *The Messenger*, is mailed to all members of our parish, to several Armenian Churches, and others by special request. Its informative articles, pictures and format are the result of the continued diligence and talent of its editor, Harold Gregory.

Harold's task was greatest this year during the Centennial Weekend, but, he and his camera can be found at every Church function. His photographs will be a historical treasure someday, only a portion of which we have seen on the pages of *The Messenger*. Our appreciation to

Harold Gregory, Deacon Norman and Karen King, who have worked together this past year redesigning and constantly trying to make *The Messenger* the best it can be.

Once again, we urge all parishioners and organizations to make frequent contributions to *The Messenger* and to use it as a vehicle of communication with our entire Church family.

The Sunday Bulletins are prepared in our office and are distributed each Sunday to our congregation, informing them of the day's Requiem Service, English translation of the Gospel reading and announcements. A number of special fliers and announcements for various occasions are sent to our parishioners to inform them of parish activities.

Ecumenical Relations

Our relations with all non-Armenian Churches throughout the Worcester area are mainly through the Ecumenical Council of Churches, in which we continue our membership. We attended the Pentecost Assembly in June and the Pre-Advent Assembly in November.

On February 5th the Worcester Area Churches Lenten Ecumenical Assembly took place at our Church. A delicious dinner was prepared by the Ladies Guild, followed by traditional Armenian Vespers Service in the Church with the participation of area clergy, lay people and our Choir.

On March 10, our Church was one of the stops for the Ecumenical Youth Rally where they were welcomed by Deacon Norman who spoke to the group on the Armenian Church's Lenten traditions.

On March 27, I participated in the Tenebrae Services (Holy Wednesday) at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Worcester.

On November 7, Deacon Norman and I attended a farewell dinner for Reverend Clyde Cox of the All Saints Episcopal Church.

On several occasions, we have performed weddings with non-Armenian clergy, giving us the opportunity to share the richness of our service with them, and theirs with us.

New England Regional Council

This year, along with Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman; Asbed Zakarian and John Merzigian, I continued membership on the New England Regional Council. As a member, I have attended ten meetings this year.

We also attended two Regional Assemblies, on March 9th and October 19th presided over by Bishop Khajag Barsamian.

Educational Programs

Armenian Language Classes for Adults

Once again, Herman Purutyan offered a 10-week Adult Language Class, held on Thursday evenings. approximately 15 students enrolled, with an average weekly attendance of 10. We hope the class will be offered again next year, and sincerely thank Herman for his efforts.

Altar Servers

Deacon Norman meets with the deacons and sub-deacons for on-going training and practice twice a month. We are most pleased by the progress and dedication of our altar servers, and thank Deacon Norman for sharing his knowledge and talent with us.

We are thankful to have a group of six young acolytes who have recently completed an intense training program with Deacon Norman: Barry Bohigian, Deran Garabedian, Simon Harootian, Paul Kapur, Adam Markarian, and Jason Markarian. The next step will be their final preparation for ordination to the rank of Tbir (sub- deacon). Our appreciation to Deacon Norman whose encouragement and leadership kept their interest.

God bless all of our Altar Servers who sacrifice their time each Sunday to enhance our worship services.

Lenten Programs

During the Lenten Season, we enjoyed very good attendance at special educational lectures which were held following a Lenten meal, on Wednesday evenings after Church Services. The guest speakers included; Reverend Father Dajad Davidian, Reverend Father Carnig Hallajian, Reverend Father Aram Marashlian, Reverend Steven Brown of the Worcester Campus Ministry and David Cohen and Allison Savicz from the Worcester Commission on Homelessness.

We thank the members of each of our Church organizations who prepared and served an appropriate Lenten meal on their assigned day.

As the Lenten period is a time for inner reflection, we strive to bring forth informative programs to our parishioners and hope that many more of them will take part in the future.

Sunday School

For nine years, Tara Stepanian has been faithfully serving our Church as Superintendent of the Sunday School. During her years as Superintendent there has been much progress. We are very appreciative of her and thank her once again for her commitment.

One thing that has pleased me greatly is the involvement of more and more individuals in the Sunday School. There is always a need for people with a variety of talents to assist with: teaching, special programs, the Christmas Pageant, Communion Breakfasts, Graduation. Willing parents are encouraged to speak to the Superintendent to see how their talents may be shared with the children of our parish.

Deacon Norman's presence has definitely been noticeable in the Sunday School this year. He offers much-needed support to the Superintendent and teachers. He conducts an informative Assembly Program in the Sunday School once a month, and visits classes in progress frequently.

Additional Assemblies Programs are conducted by Joanne Yaylaian and Junior Choir Director Phyllis Apkarian.

Overall attendance is good - however, there are a few very small classes where the absence of even one student is significant. Regular weekly attendance is of the utmost importance! Parents, please make a commitment to your children - they, and you, will benefit from a solid Christian Education.

On Sunday, September 22nd, the weekend of the Centennial Celebration, the Primate made a special effort to visit the Sunday School where he spoke to the children.

Just prior to Thanksgiving, the children collected canned and packaged foods which they presented in Church. Each year, the children are taught in this manner to share our prosperity with those less fortunate than themselves.

This year's Christmas Pageant was spectacular - a beautiful learning tool to help usher in the holiday season without commercialism. It is evident that the organizers and the students worked diligently to produce this program, and we thank them.

Our gratitude to Deacon Norman, Tara and the devoted teachers of our Sunday School, for their time and weekly dedication to our children.

Once again, we urge the parents to work with our Sunday School staff, become more involved with the Christian Education of our children, involvement in the Sunday School, by discussing things with your children, and perhaps by learning with them.

In all things, remember: children learn more by example than by words. We have to teach them to be good Christians, by being a good Christian ourselves.

Babies' and Toddlers' Program

The growth of the Toddlers' Class alone is evidence of its success. However, this program's success is not measured in the number of children who are enrolled in the program, but how each is benefiting from the experience.

Yeretzgin Vivian is the coordinator this program and has kept the interest of the children and their parents by making each of them an integral part of the program. She has earned their devotion and respect.

This year, the class hosted a wonderful Halloween Party for all the children of our parish. I believe a new, safer Halloween tradition may have been started.

Our parishioners have been very supportive of this program which is run solely on donations. Toys, equipment and supplies are frequently brought to the class and are very much appreciated.

Divine Liturgy Explanation

Deacon Norman conducted a four-week course, using a video tape of an actual service, to briefly explain parts of our Divine Liturgy. The classes were held during Church Services, in the Church Hall, and were very well attended. As the response was good for this trial period, we are planning to conduct a more in-depth course for next year, and hope that many more parishioners will attend.

A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors

The ACYOA Juniors benefitted from the supervision of Deacon Norman, and several involved parents who motivated them. They, and the Executive Board, have done an excellent job increasing membership and activities.

With the assistance of Rose and Malcolm Asadoorian, they hosted an excellent dinner on the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving. Over 150 people enjoyed the dinner and video of the Blessing of the Holy Muron Service which followed. I hope the group is encouraged by the success of this event and that we will soon find them hosting more events.

In December, Deacon Norman and I took the group to four of the area Nursing Homes for Christmas carolling and visitation to our elderly and their friends. It was an enlightening, rewarding experience for each of them.

You have our support and encouragement, and you are our future!

A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors

The Seniors were outstanding participants in the Centennial Celebration weekend, as group and as individuals. In addition to their regular meetings and activities, several of them now gather on Tuesday evenings in the Cultural Center to socialize and play basketball. They also

hosted the now traditional Palm Sunday Dinner at which Paul Krikorian was honored with their very special "Pareegam Award."

May God's blessings be upon all the youth of our parish and guide them as they find their place in the Church, and ways in which to serve Him.

Collegiate Program

We hosted one Collegiate dinner this year, which was fairly well attended. We thank Gladys Andonian for her efforts and hospitality on behalf of the Women's Guild toward a student at Holy Cross College. We hope to increase our role as host next year.

Church Organizations

The Church Organizations and Special Committees are among the fundamental necessities that sustain the Church. Their success and stability are vital to our Church's future. It is not only through their fund-raising efforts, but in the services they provide that we can offer a wide variety of programs for the social, spiritual, and education, and enjoyment of our parishioners.

I take a personal interest in each Church Organization, either Deacon Norman or I generally attend each group's regular meetings and functions, and we maintain regular contact with group's chairman, to keep abreast of their activities and concerns.

On behalf of all our parishioners, I thank the members who support these organizations, with special gratitude to their chairmen and executive boards who devote many long hours for the sake of their respective organizations.

May God bless you for your dedication.

Avak Group

Beginning its fourteenth year, the Avak Group, through the labors of its devoted volunteer staff, continues to provide a weekly gathering place, monthly dinners, and yearly trips, for our Senior Citizens. We hope that the elevator has provided easier access to the Church Hall, where the Avak Group meets, each Monday, for our elderly and less agile Church members. It is important that we never forget the elderly and their contributions to our Church.

Beano Volunteers

The members of the Beano Committee and Volunteers are responsible for raising a substantial amount of money, over \$700,000, over the years for our Church. This year however, was one of the first years where a noticeable decline in attendance and income was evident. The Parish

Council, along with the Beano Coordinators are looking into ways to improve attendance. Naturally, the economy has been a factor here.

Several of the volunteers have been actively involved with this group since its beginning 18 years ago. The Committee is always seeking volunteers. We thank all the Beano Volunteers for their dedication with special gratitude to the members of the Committee for their tireless weekly devotion.

Church Choir

Our Church Choir is known for its beautiful sound and what we hear of in Church on Sunday mornings is the result of many hours of rehearsal, preparation and, most importantly, the dedication of our Choir Director Hazel Eljanian, and organist Irene Shooshan, their assistants and each of the Choir members. They were truly exceptional during the Centennial Weekend, with all the additional pressures placed upon them. I sincerely commend each of them with special appreciation to their Director Hazel whose tireless efforts were evident.

On April 13th, our Choir was the Regional host for the Choir Workshop. Deacon Norman and I had the opportunity to meet with them at their annual gathering at the Noorjanians' beautiful home this past summer. The unique comraderie of the members and their families was heart-warming. We thank them all for sharing their talents with us for the Glory of God.

Cultural Organization

For years, the Cultural Organization has sponsored a variety of events representing various aspects of our rich culture. Unfortunately, many of our parishioners are not taking advantage of these fine programs.

This year, they sponsored the exhilarating Sayat Nova Dance Group, and assisted the Worcester County Music Association in bringing Suren Bagratuni, an up-and-coming cellist, to Worcester, and Edward Alexander, author of *Crime and Vengeance* and *The Serpent and the Bee*.

Although not always encouraged by large attendance at their functions, the Cultural Organization continues to bring talent from near and far for our enrichment. Now, with the independence of Armenia, it may not be long, before a cultural exchange with people from our homeland is possible.

Library Committee

Through the efforts of the Library Committee and NAASR, our parishioners had the opportunity to greet Hannah Kalaydjian and her collaborator, Bernadine Sullivan, following the publication of the book *Hannah's Story*. We thank them for allowing us this pleasure.

This committee seeks to assistance in organizing the Church's books and to make them easily accessible for the use of our parishioners. Students would find the wealth of information therein most helpful. Donations of appropriate books are always welcome.

Men's Club

The Men's Club has regained some of its spark and is now enjoying increased attendance at meetings. They are planning joint programs with the Women's Guild, such as the enjoyable dinner at Christmastime, and family events. The new executive body has already begun planning new programs and kheyma dinner/meetings for next year - and have even challenged the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors in a basketball game!

Senior Ladies Auxiliary

This lively group of ladies are looking for new members to add to the wealth of knowledge and experience which they enjoy. This year's functions included: the Martyrs' Day Madagh Fellowship, and a lovely fellowship on January 6 for Armenian Christmas. Their participation was invaluable during the Bazaar, Lenten "Miching" Dinner and Annual Picnic.

Women's Guild

A long-standing pillar of our Church, the Guild continues to provide social and educational programs for its members at monthly meetings, as well as offering invaluable assistance at the Annual Church Bazaar, Picnic, Lenten Dinners, and hosting the Easter Sunday Fellowship - as well as their own annual fund-raising functions.

April 6th our guild was the host of the Regional Women's Guild Meeting; on May 14th they held a beautiful fashion show in our Cultural Center, June Dinner meeting during which they honored members with 10 and 25 year pins. Members were invited to St. James Armenian Church of Watertown for the annual Woman Saints Day service and luncheon.

The combination of new and familiar faces, shared wisdom and talent assures us years of innovation and the stability of this outstanding organization.

Social Services

The people we call parishioners are not only those who we see in Church on Sunday, or at meetings. We must also include the nearly-forgotten shut-in's, the once-active members of our parish. They have needs as well. They need to be visited, have important questions answered and often assistance with their personal matters, and need to remain tied to their Church.

Most everyone comes to the Church at one time or another for advice or assistance, in matters far from spiritual. Our confidential involvement had led us to their homes, doctors' offices, police stations, lawyers' offices and court rooms. It has necessitated lengthy telephone

conversations and letter writing - which I do gladly, with all my heart. For, I feel, the Church must serve the entire person - not merely the part we see on Sunday. We want our parishioners to rest assured that in every aspect of their lives - the Church, and pastor, will be there for them.

May God give us the wisdom and the resources to help all those who reach out to us, that we may never turn our back on anyone in need.

Annual Events

The three main fund-raising activities of our Parish are: the Harvest Bazaar, the Picnic and the Rug Sale. Due to the rising economic hardship in the area, the profits from these events were minimal and no where near what was projected.

The two-day Harvest Bazaar, and the Raffle, chaired by the Parish Council, was, of course, the culmination of countless hours of devoted service.

The Church Picnic, chaired by the Parish Council, which was once again held on the Church grounds was created a wonderful atmosphere of good food, friendship and music for our parishioners and community. This year, Yerezgin Vivian set-up a special area and organized children's games and activities. This added much-needed entertainment for the many children who attended the Picnic.

The Rug Sale, chaired by Edward Atamian and Margaret Zakarian, for the seventh year, with their expertise and group of volunteers, worked very hard in preparation for the sale and sadly, made a much lower profit than in the past years. Few people were able to invest in a luxury item of this nature, this year. We look forward to doing better next year.

As these functions are attended by many non-Armenians, it is most noteworthy that our volunteers were helpful, polite and cheerful to our guests. As a result of the careful planning and labor of their respective committees, our Church's fine reputation was once again justified.

And, each of these events, is a large undertaking, involving many people and we sincerely thank all those who helped make them successful.

Special Events and Projects

Centennial Celebration

The better part of the year was spent in preparation for the celebration 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Church in America, which was held in September 21 and 22nd. It was an undertaking of great magnitude and was successful only because of the commitment of the individuals who made it happen.

Special appreciation and gratitude to:

Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman of the Centennial Committee - whose years of planning, devotion and attention to detail were evident.

The members of the Centennial Committee, Sub-Committee Chairpersons and Volunteers.

The Chairman of the Parish Council - Edward Atamian and former Chairman Arthur Surabian, and members of the Parish Council

Ramon Hovsepian for the donation of his time and talents to Khatchkar project.

The beautiful Armenian Khatchkar which now stands majestically on our church grounds is a constant reminder of our past and our future. We thank our Primate and Diocesan Council for this meaningful gift.

The Celebration was an uplifting occasion for all who took part - may it serve as motivation to build upon the past, for the future of our Church, and I thank all those who participated in it.

First Night Worcester

Our Chairman Edward Atamian, Arthur Surabian and Yeretzgin shared the responsibility of planning, purchasing the food, and organizing the volunteers for this new endeavor for our Church.

Over 1,000 people (all but a few were non-Armenian) spent the final hours of the year in our Cultural Center, enjoying wonderful family entertainment. A well-stocked, efficient serving line for food, drinks and snacks was organized. Unfortunately, the amount of food sold was considerably less than anticipated.

However, our parishioners who volunteered had a most enjoyable evening and the event was very good for community relations. Our gratitude to Edward Atamian, Arthur Surabian and Yeretzgin for the countless hours they dedicated in preparation for this event.

General Home Blessing

Realizing the difficulty involved in scheduling home blessings for more than a few of our parishioners, I performed general home blessing following Divine Liturgy in our Cultural Center. Each family was given a blessed nushkar to take home. My sincere appreciation to Lucy Kasparian, Anita Sarian and Anna Taraian for making the dough, and the sub-deacons for helping me prepare the nushkar.

Martyrs' Day

This year, our church was honored by the presence of the ten seminarians of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in New York, and their Dean, the Reverend Father Mardiros Chevian.

The Seminarians arrived in Worcester on Saturday, April 22, met at the hotel by Deacon Norman, and brought to our home for a most enjoyable luncheon. On Saturday evening, they participated in Vespers Service, followed by a fellowship and informal discussions with our parishioners.

On Sunday, several seminarians participated in Badarak, which was celebrated by Father Mardiros, while several other seminarians visited the Sunday School. Following Church Services, they presented a touching program in the Cultural Center, followed by a traditional Madagh.

The presence of the seminarians, meeting them, and seeing their devotion, gave all of us a renewed sense of hope for the future of the Armenian Church. It was a pleasure to have them visit us.

Church of Our Saviour Earthquake Relief Efforts

On December 13th, our parish hosted a very well-attended wonderful Christmas Concert by Perry Como, which realized an unbelievable profit of \$65,000 for the Earthquake Fund.

The dynamic duo who together planned, coordinated and produced this outstanding event were: our present and former Parish Council Chairman - Edward Atmaian and Arthur Surabian.

This is the fourth concert that Ed and Art have produced on behalf of our Earthquake Fund. May God bless them for the unselfish devotion of countless hours of their time for our brethren in Armenia. Through the generosity of many people and the concert, over \$650,000 has been raised.

Other Invitations

On January 14 I participated in the Vespers service at St. James Church in Watertown on the occasion of the elevation of Father Krikor Maksoudian to the rank of Vartabed.

On March 6, I attended the Easter Seal Banquet honoring Mary Atamian where I offered the the invocation.

On October 6, I attended the 75th Anniversary of the Knights of Vartan Arshavir Tahlig, and the 70th Anniversary of the Daughters of Vartan Santougkt Otyag. I addressed the attendees and I offered a prayer for the souls of the deceased members.

On October 19, I attended a banquet at the Providence Church, honoring Very Reverend Father Baret Yeretjian on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Community Events

In May Deacon Norman and several parishioners participated in the Worcester Walk for the Homeless.

In October our Church was a stop location for the Crop Walk, which offered food and drink to those participating in the walk.

In Appreciation

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the following individuals, who have given selflessly of themselves for the enrichment of our Holy Church:

The Parish Council Chairman, Edward Atamian
The Parish Council Members
The Diocesan Delegates
Our Deacons, Sub-Deacons and Altar Servers
Hazel Eljanian, the Choir Director
Irene Shooshan, the Church Organist
Members of The Church Choir
Arthur Surabian, for computerizing our financial records
The Mas Committee
The Fellowship Committee
Karen King, for her computer-related assistance
Church Office Volunteers
Belmont Cleaners (Surabian Family) for their services
Charlotte Calfaian, In Lieu of Flowers Coordinator
Jorjorian family, for cleaning and gold-plating our chalices and crosses
Deacon Suney Kachadoorian, for his donation of incense and wine for our Holy Altar
Jean Merzigian and Jo Ann Sivazlian, for the weekly care and preparation
of all liturgical vestments
Jean Simonian for alterations and repair of the liturgical vestments
Andrew Shadbegian and Archie Shadbegian - for tending doors at funerals
John Toromanian for his special projects bookkeeping
Edward Simsarian, Esq., for his legal assistance on many occasions
The Auditing Committee
The Nominating Committee

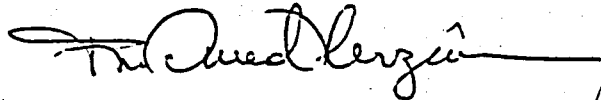
Our sincere appreciation to our hard-working staff.

In this, the seventh year of my ordination to the Holy Priesthood, I am thankful to God for giving me the opportunity to serve Him, through this Holy Church; and for the continued cooperation and love of our parishioners.

I pray that the new year will bring happiness for our faithful, here and in our homeland. I pray that their burdens be lightened, their faith steadfastly renewed, and that they come closer to the Church and each other.

May God bless all our endeavors and guide our steps in the fulfillment of our goals. Amen.

Prayerfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rev. Aved Terzian". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Reverend Father Aved Terzian
Pastor

Parish Council Report

The following were elected to the Parish Council at the Annual Parish Assembly held Sunday, February 24, 1991: Michael Arakelian, Thomas Garabedian, Gerald Kheboian, Jenev Sanda, Everett Titus.

After ratification of the Annual Assembly Report by the Primate and Diocesan Council, an organizational meeting was held and the following officers were elected:

Edward Atamian	Chairman
Dr. Robert Anusbigian	Vice Chairman
Jenev Sanda	Secretary
Garabed Hovhanesian	Corresponding Secretary
Gilbert Markarian	Treasurer
Rose Aslanian	Asst. Treasurer

The following members of the Council serve as advisors: Michael Arakelian, Paul Avakian, Thomas Garabedian, Gerald Kheboian, Everett Titus.

In February our search for an Assistant to the Pastor and Youth Advisor was completed when the Primate Bishop Khajag Barsamian appointed Deacon Norman Odabashian to that position at our request.

The Council held 12 regularly scheduled meetings during the year and three short special meetings and conducted such business as necessary for the administration of the Parish under the presidency of the Pastor, Reverend Aved Terzian. Some of the activities were as follows:

As directed by the Parish Assembly, formed a committee to investigate the purchase of a Macintosh Desktop Publishing Computer. This item was purchased after approval by the Council in June, 1991.

Hosted nine Seminarians during our Martyrs Day Observance. They in turn presented a program. It was a very enjoyable and enriching occasion for all.

Completed the relocation of the Choir to the loft.

Purchased Convection Ovens for the Cultural Center kitchen and relocated one of the ovens from the Cultural Center to the Church kitchen.

Appointed John Toromanian as Assistant to the Treasurer for Church Functions. A special account has been set up and all expenses and income are in turn processed through this account. In this manner the Church Treasurer's books are not filled with miscellaneous entries and a detailed record is kept of all expenses and income for each function the Parish Council runs.

Presented a check for \$185,000.00 to the Primate for the Earthquake Fund and retained at his request some \$38,000.00 as seed money for another concert at a later date. This brings our total contribution to \$535,000.00

Purchased new carpeting for the Parish house.

Met with the Diocesan Delegates on two occasions, first to present the views of the Council on items to be discussed at the Annual Diocesan Assembly, then to hear their report after the Assembly.

Conducted the annual Church Picnic on Sunday, June 9, 1991 on the Church Grounds, which was very successful.

Hosted a Fellowship Coffee for the retirement of our custodian Mike Bellino.

Paintings for the Baptismal Font were completed and installed in time for the Centennial Observance.

Sponsored one youth for one week at St. Vartan's Camp and two youths for Summer Studies at St. Nersess Seminary. Part of these were from the Alice Hagopian Endowment Fund and the Zaven and Lucy Kasparian Fund.

Purchased a Fax Machine.

Purchased two plaques, one listing the Founding Fathers, the Laurel Street Church Building Committee, and the Salisbury Street Church Building Committee. This is to be mounted in the Church. The other listing the Cultural Center Building Committee to be mounted in the Cultural Center. Both plaques to be completed and mounted in place prior to the Centennial Observance on September 21-22, 1991.

Purchased a new Honor Roll Plaque listing the Veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam. This was also mounted in the Cultural Center.

Met with Beano personnel regarding changes that may be made to improve the attendance. Changed from hard cards to paper. Trying to accommodate Non-Smokers who want a separate area.

Received a gift from Holy Etchmiadzin of a Khatchkar on the occasion of our 100th Anniversary. The Centennial Committee assumed responsibility for its receipt and installation in time for the Centennial Observance on September 21-22, 1991.

Approved Rules and Regulations in compliance with insurance company recommendations regarding the usage of liquor in the Cultural Center. No liquor is permitted in the Church Hall. The renter of the Cultural Center must obtain a one-day permit from the Alcohol Beverage Commission which allows the serving of liquor. Further, the renter must provide the Parish Council with a copy of a One Million Dollar Liability Policy naming the renter and the Church of Our Saviour as the insured.

The Investment Committee consisted of Ed Atamian, Gil Markarian and Tom Garabedian from the Parish Council and Norman Noorjanian and Asbed Zakarian representing the Parish. It held two meetings during the year and voted to purchase a U.S. Treasury Bond for \$416,451.08 which matures in the year 2004 for \$1,179,000.00. Yield is 8.08%.

Conducted the Annual Rug Sale in October with very disappointing results. Income was a little over \$4,000.00.

Conducted a very successful Bazaar except for a raffle which was to be drawn on that date. Raffle was postponed to December and drawn at that time with a small gain to the Church.

Agreed to participate in the First Night Program, opening the Cultural Center for two children's programs. A small income was realized from the sale of hot dogs and hamburgers.

Under the expert guidance and supervision of Messrs. Arthur Surabian and Edward Atamian we had the most successful of our concerts to date. On December 13, 1991, with Perry Como as the star, we netted some \$75,000.00 for the Earthquake Fund.

The Parish Council accepted and acknowledged with thanks and appreciation many donations and gifts to the Church during the year. Those over \$100.00 are listed below. A final settlement of the Harry Sarkisian Estate resulted in a payment of \$30,361.19.

Owen Paelian Fund	\$2,500.00
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yagjian	1,001.50
Mr. Harry Sogigian	601.50
Mr. Simon Y. Balian	365.00
Mr. and Mrs. Botyagjian <i>Bayside, NY</i>	200.00
Mr. and Mrs. William Dourjalian	200.00
Mr. and Mrs. Hacik Eknayan	200.00
Mr. John Kassabian	120.00
Mrs. Lucy Vasil	125.00
Mrs. Garabed Kassabian	100.00
Educational Society of Malatia	100.00
Mr. John Malkasian	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver S. McBride	100.00
Mr. Donald Shagalian	100.00

In addition, Memorial Biographies were placed in the Pangal for the following:

Kohar Adishian
 Acabe Dodakian
 Garabed Dodakian
 Mary Markarian
 Dr. Sherman Santoian
 Abraham Trabizonian
 Nina Trabizonian

The Observance of this our Centennial year was a tremendous success. The Centennial Committee which comprised past Parish Council Chairmen, as well as past and present Diocesan Delegates, under the able direction of its Chairman, Zaven Kasparian, performed admirably. Guided and encouraged by our Pastor, Der Aved Terzian, the culmination of many months of work and preparation was crowned with a beautiful and glorious celebration during the weekend of September 21-22, 1991. In addition to our Primate, His Grace Bishop Barsamian, participants included the Patriarch of Jerusalem, His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian; His Eminence Archbishop Vatche Hovsepian, Primate of the Western Diocese; and His Grace Bishop Hovnan Derderian, Primate of Canada, along with clergy from the New England Churches. The church services, the consecration of the Armenian Khatchkar, the concert, the banquet – everything was done to perfection. We are positive our forefathers would have been proud of the efforts of all of us in the observance of this most historic occasion and the Parish Council extends its thanks and appreciation to the parishioners of Worcester and the New England parishes for their support and participation.

Further, the Council wishes to extend its appreciation and thanks to all the Church Auxiliary Organizations Officers and its members who have contributed so much to all of our success this year. Their activities are in their reports which comprise a part of this booklet and we recommend you read them.

Through the untiring efforts of both Arthur and Carol Surabian, this year we were finally able to put into computer operation all financial data concerning our income and expenses. Many hours were spent developing a chart of accounts and a program that is reflected in the Treasurer's Report included in this

Annual Report. For this, the parish and the Parish Council extend their many thanks and appreciation to Arthur and Carol Surabian.

A word of thanks and appreciation to all those who work so diligently each Thursday at Beano. You are an important part of our fund raising during the year and your contribution is recognized.

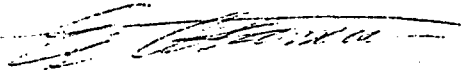
The Council further extends its appreciation and thanks to our Pastor, Reverend Father Aved Terzian, for his leadership, direction, dedication and spiritual guidance throughout the year in all of our endeavors.

Finally, a word of thanks to the Pastor's Assistant Deacon Norman Odabashian for his participation in our endeavors this year and to the many of you who have volunteered your services to assist our dedicated staff: Bessie Petropoulos, Marilyn Larkin, Martha Villani, Julia Sylvester, Charlotte Calfaian for her dedicated work with the In Lieu of Flowers Fund, Gharib Ghambari, and Dennis Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,



Reverend Father Aved Terzian



Edward Atamian, Chairman

A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors Report

Lusine Hagopian Chairperson
 Ara Asadoorian Vice-Chairperson
 Christine Hoogasian Treasurer
 Peter Babaian Corresponding Secretary
 Christina Solitro..... Recording Secretary

This year the ACYOA Juniors Worcester Chapter had yet another successful and active year. We sponsored many functions including: the Thanksgiving Family Day Dinner, fellowships and a pie sale. We also assisted the Seniors on ACYOA Day and ran the hot dog booth at the Harvest Fair. In May many of our members attended the Hye-Mrtsoom weekend in Watertown. At Christmas time we visited nursing homes and sang Christmas carols. Later we had dinner and enjoyed a movie. The Juniors also wrapped Christmas presents for homeless children.

This year we lost and gained many members as several of our older members went off into the ACYOA Seniors. We have welcomed many younger and newer faces from the Sunday School which helps keep an energetic spirit within the Juniors.

Our goal for 1992 is to have a Poon Paregentan Celebration with the Sunday School, car washes in the summer, full involvement in sports at the Watertown Hye-Mrtsoom weekend.

With the enthusiasm that our newer members have brought along and with the continued support of our parish we hope to fully accomplish our goals.

Financial Statement:

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$1,423.42	
Additional Receipts	<u>1,366.19</u>	
Total		<u><u>\$2,789.61</u></u>
Expenditures		
Donation to Church	300.00	
Other Expenses	<u>1,368.29</u>	
Total Expenditures	\$1,668.29	
Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$1,121.32</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

Lusine Hagopian

Lusine Hagopian, Chairperson

A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors' Report

Jay KapurChairperson
 Mark PogharianVice-Chairperson
 Gary Pogharian.....Treasurer
 Gayane HoogasianCorresponding Secretary
 Darrin Migridichian.....Recording Secretary

This past year marked a year of rebuilding for the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors. In addition to fulfilling our traditional commitments to the Church and organization, we focused our attention at attracting the large number of local Armenian college students to the organization. It has been a continuing goal of the Seniors to encourage participation among college-age youth in Church and youth group activities.

In early 1991, the Seniors sponsored a traditional Lenten dinner, at which Dr. Steven Brown was the speaker. The annual A.C.Y.O.A. Day Palm Sunday Banquet was also held. Paul Krikorian was given the annual Paregam Award at the banquet. Unfortunately, parish attendance at both annual events was disappointingly low.

The Seniors also fulfilled their New England Regional commitments by attending regular meetings and other Region-sponsored events. Worcester also hosted a Regional meeting in June, after which a cookout and softball game were held.

Throughout 1991, the Seniors assisted the Church in many events such as the annual Church Picnic, the Centennial Celebration, and the annual Church Bazaar. The seniors also sponsored a fellowship after Church.

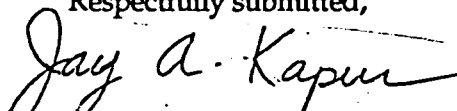
The A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors kicked off the Fall of 1991 by participating in the A.C.Y.O.A. National Sports Weekend in Hartford. The Seniors also held a Collegiate Dinner in December, at which many area Armenian college students were in attendance. The Seniors finished off the Holiday season by assisting the Juniors in their Christmas activities. This included helping them wrap toys for needy kids and taking them to area nursing homes for caroling.

In 1992, the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors hope to continue to bring together area Armenian college youth and to continue to assist the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors.

Financial Statement:

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$ 662.72	
Additional Receipts	<u>3,421.00</u>	
Total		<u><u>\$4,083.72</u></u>
Expenditures		
Donation to Church (<i>Repayment of loan</i>)	\$1,000.00	
Other Expenses	<u>2,796.49</u>	
Total Expenditures	3,796.49	
Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$287.23</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,


 Jay Kapur, Chairman

AVAK Annual Report

The AVAK Group meets every Monday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Average attendance is between 45 and 50 with considerably more when we are serving dinner.

Activities were as follows:

- July 8 Hosted luncheon for New England Region Clergy Conference
- July 15 Outdoor picnic in courtyard
- July 29 Bus trip to Augustine's in Saugus. Excellent Buffet
- October 5 Trip to Atlantic City
- November 25 Thanksgiving Dinner. We had the privileged to have our Primate, His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian present.
- December 16 Christmas Party.

Our grateful thanks to Roger Bogosian, Richard Papazian, and Ruth Kaprielian for their kindness in providing us with deliciously fresh seafood (caught by Roger and Dick) for a dinner for our group. It really was wonderful!

We have been invited to host the luncheon on January 6th, Armenian Christmas, and we look forward with pleasure to that occasion.

Financial Statement:

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$ 880.29	
Additional Receipts	<u>847.00</u>	
Total		<u><u>\$1,727.29</u></u>
 Expenditures		
Total Expenditures	<u>\$539.14</u>	
 Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$1,188.15</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,



Lucy V. Kasparian, Chairman

Babies' and Toddlers' Program Report

This September, after having the pleasure of welcoming new and returning parents to the Toddlers' Class for the fifth time, I took the opportunity to reflect back on the past few years and evaluate the program.

The number of children enrolled in the class has doubled since its inception a few years ago. The class currently boasts an enrollment of 22 and growing! We make full use of our playroom and classroom filled with great toys and equipment. We have quite a set-up now.

Throughout the year, we try to teach some of the simple Bible stories, seasonal rituals and most importantly, to make the sign of the cross.

In June, the program completed a "full cycle". The children who were born into or brought to the class as babies have graduated, now three years old! In September they entered the Sunday School Nursery class with confidence and pre-established friendships! In their place, seven new members joined our class.

In October, the Toddlers' Class hosted a wonderful, well-attended Halloween Party, for all the children of the parish. The highlight of the party was an enchanting puppet show and pizza supper!

We know the benefits of the Program for the children: socialization, enjoyment, establishing a feeling of belonging in the Church, but let us not overlook the benefits for their parents! For some of the parents, the Toddlers' Class has provided an excellent opportunity for reinvolvement in the Church, meeting new people, sharing ideas, learning and working together. For some, it is a completely new experience.

Children tend to place a greater value upon something when they see parents involved. Parents of the Toddlers' Class alternate teaching and snack responsibilities, and everyone participates in clean-up and song-time. Parents who teach in the Sunday School, singing in the choir, serve on the Parish Council and our organizations continue to send a message without words to their children: the Church is an important part of our lives!

The result of my evaluation—I am pleased with the progress of the Toddlers' Class, the involvement of the parents and the support it has received from the parish. My goals for the future of the Toddlers' Class: to incorporate more of the Armenian language into our program, to make teaching or assisting in the Sunday School a natural progression from Toddlers' Class and to continue to grow!

My sincere appreciation to:

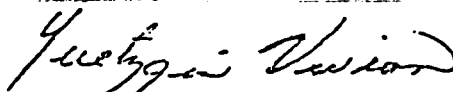
Der Aved for his continuous support and encouragement;

The Parish Council for their support and for providing us with the funds necessary for entertainment at the Halloween Party;

Paul Andonian for his kindness and generosity;

The Parents of present and former Toddlers' Class for enriching our Program with their assistance and participation.

Respectfully submitted,



Yeretgin Vivian Terzian, Program Coordinator

Centennial Committee Report

During the summer of 1986, a series of preliminary meetings culminated in an organization meeting held on August 24, under the presidency of the then Primate of the Diocese, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian. The members of the committee consisted of past and present parish council chairmen, past and present diocesan delegates, the Pastor and later the Assistant to the Pastor.

The primary purpose of the Centennial Committee was to plan and execute events appropriate to the commemoration of the founding of the Armenian Church in America, celebrate the 100th anniversary of the building of the first church structure and to prepare a memorial document honoring the Founding Fathers during the years 1990-1991.

The proposals advanced by His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian during the first organizing meeting were essentially endorsed by the committee and were carried out successfully by the committee in 1990/1991.

In addition to executing the agreed-upon agenda in a laudable manner, the Worcester parish sponsored an Armenian Artists' exhibit and an Armenian Dance Ensemble presentation; both of which were widely acclaimed by those who attended.

The committee began active planning on May 17, 1989. Chairman Art Surabian of the Parish Council asked Zaven Kasparian to accept the chairmanship of the Centennial Committee and he accepted. Meetings were held virtually on a monthly basis since the active planning process started in May, 1989. Following His Holiness' Vasken I, Catholicos of All Armenians indication that he would be unable to be present, arrangements to have Archbishop Shnork Kaloustian, Patriarch of Istanbul as principal guest of honor were aborted by Patriarch Shnork's untimely demise. It was therefore agreed and arranged for the then Patriarch-elect of Jerusalem, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian be the principal guest of honor.

The Centennial Committee undertook the responsibility to prepare and publish the pamphlet entitled "Establishment of the Ancient Armenian Church in the Western Hemisphere." This pamphlet was subsequently distributed to the delegates who attended the 88th Diocesan Assembly. Many church groups requested and were sent copies. All local parishioners were given copies.

The commemoration date was set for September 21-22, 1991. The Centennial Weekend was a milestone event for all those who participated. The Worcester Parish was honored by the presence of not only His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Patriarch of Jerusalem, but in addition His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of Eastern Diocese, His Eminence Archbishop Vatche Hovsepian, Primate of the Western Diocese and His Grace Bishop Hovnan Derderian, Primate of the Canadian Diocese.

On Saturday, September 21, 1991, Hrashapar and Ecumenical services were held with the participation of high ranking clergymen from other denominations, followed by a consecration service to dedicate a Khatchkar (monument) on the grounds of the Church of Our Saviour. This Khatchkar was a gift to the Eastern Diocese by the Holy See at Etchmiadzin and was dedicated to the memories of our forefathers. In addition there was a prestigious Commemorative Concert featuring the Etchmiadzin Quartet from New York and Metropolitan Opera baritone Ara Berberian.

On September 22, 1991 some 600 parishioners from New England, New York and other areas attended Patriarchal Service and subsequent banquet. As a memento of the occasion, each attendee at the banquet received a scroll which was a copy of the Encyclical received from His Holiness Vasken I Catholicos of All Armenians. A publication entitled, *The First Armenian Church in America*, prepared by the Krikor and Clara Zohrab Information Center of the Diocese, was distributed at the banquet.

The Centennial Committee submitted the following recommendation to the Parish Council, which has been accepted by the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman

Bartev Der Bagdasarian

Garabed Hovhanesian

February 4, 1992

Rev. Father Aved Terzian, Pastor
Mr. Edward Atamian, Chairman, Parish Council
Armenian Church of Our Saviour
87 Salisbury Street
Worcester, MA 01609

Dear Father Aved and Edward:

The Centennial Committee, at its final meeting on January 29, 1992, reiterated its praiseworthy feelings for all our people who participated in planning and executing every phase of the events and projects of the Centennial Commemoration. Shown below is a summary report of finances:

INCOME

Booklet	\$40,735.00
Banquet	30,000.00
Interest	381.70
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Total	\$71,116.70
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EXPENSES

Banquet	18,330.00
Saturday Reception	1,148.75
Monument & General Contractor	14,748.28
Landscaping & Sprinkler System	12,572.90
Printing	5,431.21
Postage	943.74
Closed Circ. TV & video/audio	2,485.00
Photography	535.00
Publicity	936.00
Security	993.96
Bank Charges	151.30
Misc. Expenses	1,310.93
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Total Expenses	\$59,587.06

CASH ON HAND

\$11,529.64

We would point out that our Church benefited from the Khatchkar Project and improvements to surrounding area in excess of \$27,000.

It is the consensus of the Committee that the overwhelming success of the commemoration in all aspects was due in great measure to the presence of His Beatitude Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Patriarch of Jerusalem. In light of this fact the Committee submits the following recommendation for your consideration:

"The Centennial Committee recommends to the Parish Council that all the Centennial Commemoration funds in excess of \$10,000, including interest, be earmarked for the construction of a walkway in the yard area between the Church and the Parish House. The remaining \$10,000 be kept in escrow account pending final determination of specific need for the transfer to the Armenian Patriarchate in Jerusalem as a memorial gift on the occasion of the Centennial Commemoration of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour in Worcester, Mass."

This recommendation was passed unanimously.

Very truly yours,

Garabed Hovhanesian, Secretary
cc: Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman

Cultural Organization Report

Van Aroian.....Chairman
 Marion YagoobianTreasurer
 Rose PaloianRec. Secretary
 Lucy HovenesianCorr. Secretary
 Bizer SimonianAdvisor

The Cultural Organization has approximately 25-30 members and meets in the Church Hall on the third Monday of the month. During the year 1991 the members met for six regular meetings and two special meetings. Our activities for the past year were as follows:

March – Lenten Supper. Guest speaker was Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian. As in the past years, following church services, a delicious vosp kheyma dinner was prepared and served by our members.

April 27 – Sullivan Auditorium, Worcester State College. The Sayat Nova Dance Company of Boston was presented in a Salute to the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour and performed numerous creative, exciting and moving Caucasian Folk Dances to the delight of the hundreds in attendance. A standing ovation upon the completion of the program was evidence of a truly exciting event.

June 21 – Our organization arranged for obtaining tickets and transportation for our Community and surrounding areas to the 40th Annual Armenian Night at the Pops, Symphony Hall, Boston, featuring the renown cellist, Suren Bagratuni, as guest soloist. Many of us took advantage of this opportunity to enjoy a richly rewarding night at the Pops.

October 5 – The Worcester County Music Association presented cellist Suren Bagratuni as its guest artist. Suren was sponsored also in part through the generosity of the Krikorian family: George, Anna, and George Peter. The Cultural Organization took an active part in the sale of tickets and publicity, which resulted in a good number of our church and community in attendance. This artist gave a superb performance to the pleasure and amazement of all. It was a musical experience not to have been missed. A pre-concert catered dinner was held in the Church Hall this evening with 48 in attendance.

October 25 – “Meet the Author.” Edward Alexander, a consultant to the State Department, discussed the genesis of his two books, *The Serpent and the Bees*, and *A Crime of Vengeance*. Mr. Alexander, whose diplomatic career has been devoted largely to Soviet and East European affairs, expounded on his experiences and observations while in these regions. His talk had his audience spellbound and completely captivated - and much enthusiasm resulted in the lively question and answer period which followed. Everyone, it seemed, was willing to keep this gentleman talking all night.

Our organization is proud to have afforded our community the opportunities to attend these quality events of the past year. They have been brought about through the efforts of a small number of dedicated members who would like to see our numbers grow. We welcome you as new members to come forth with your enthusiasm and ideas so as to perpetuate our heritage and to nourish and preserve our culture.

Financial Statement

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$1,990.99	
Additional Receipts	<u>5,196.36</u>	
Total		<u>\$7,187.35</u>
Expenditures	<u>\$6,429.28</u>	
Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991		<u>\$758.07</u>

Respectfully submitted,



Rose Paloian, Recording Secretary

The Ekmalian Choir

The Armenian Church of Our Saviour Ekmalian Choir has sung at each Badarak during the past year, both on Sunday mornings and on special week day Divine Liturgies, which totals about seventy services.

The annual choir picnic was held again this year at the home of Norman and Joyce Noorjanian. Ann Mosessian, chairman of the affair, along with her committee, made this affair very enjoyable. The gathering included Father Aved, trustees, Deacons, Acolytes and their guests.

The choir membership consists of approximately thirty-five members, some of which serve on the altar.

The forty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America was held in Cleveland, Ohio hosted by Saint Gregory of Narek Armenian Church in October. Attending were Norman Noorjanian, Choir Chairman; Sub-Deacon Robert Shamgochian and Marilyn Larkin, choir member. Both Norman and Robert serve on Central Council.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Father Aved Terzian for his untiring and continued spiritual support of the Choir; to Hazel Eljanian, Choir Director; Ann Mosessian and George Avakian, Assistant Choir Directors; Irene Shooshan, Organists, who have helped in each of their capacities to enhance the glorification to the Soorp Badarak.

We also wish to thank our Trustees for their continued financial support on numerous occasions.

To our Godfather of the Choir, Zarmair Shepherd, our sincere appreciation for all his kindness afforded us during the year.

We sincerely thank our many generous parishioners who have so graciously donated sums of money to our Choir for books and other needs.

We welcome any new members to join us and "old" members to rejoin us.

Financial Statement

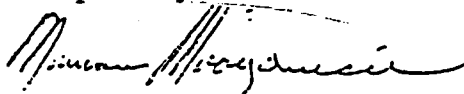
Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$1,526.24	
Additional Receipts	120.57	
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Total		<u><u>\$1,646.81</u></u>

Expenditures

Donation to Church (In Lieu of Flowers)	\$25.00
Various Donations	106.50
Other Expenses	285.00
Total Expenditures	<hr/> <u>\$416.50</u>

Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991	<u><u>\$1,230.31</u></u>
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Respectfully submitted,



Norman Noorjanian, Choir Chairman

Library Committee Report

Library Committee Account

Cash on Hand on January 1, 1991	\$1,915.93	
Income:		
Sales of Books (Cookbooks and Hannah's Story)	\$273.05	
Interest Income	102.15	
Donations	<u>230.00</u>	
 Total		<u><u>\$2,521.13</u></u>
 Expenditures:		
Purchase of Books	\$22.50	
Fellowship	183.69	
Postage and handling	<u>4.50</u>	
 Total Expenditures	\$210.69	
 Balance on Hand December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$2,310.44</u></u>

Funds in the Library Account are retained for purchase of books, material and equipment as necessary.

Worcester Memories Account

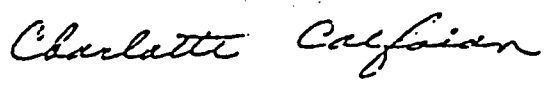
Balance January 1, 1991	\$1,181.01	
Income: Interest	<u>\$67.59</u>	
Expenditures: None		
 Balance on Hand December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$1,248.60</u></u>

There are no activities to report during this fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,



Harry G. Sogigian, Chairmen, Pro Tem



Charlotte Calfaian, Treasurer

Memorial Endowment Committee Annual Report

The Memorial Endowment Committee which was first elected in 1989 received its first new member in the person of Mrs. Ruth Haddon, who was elected for a five-year term. We welcome her to the committee and look forward to her participation. Ruth took the place of Vahan Pogharian.

I would like to thank Mr. Pogharian, who served as the committee's treasurer, for his dedication and expertise in establishing an accounting procedure for the endowment bequests and expenditures.

In 1991 the Committee received an additional contribution from Nvart Rose Baljian Gara, in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nishan Baljian.

We also received donations from the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth Chakarian and from Mr. and Mrs. Suren Daniels of Roslindale, Massachusetts, who made a donation in memory of Varteres, Verjin and Geraldine Jalloian.

Proceeds from the investments were used for a variety of purposes including sending our youth to St. Vartan Camp and to St. Nerses Summer Studies.

The current list of donors to the Memorial Endowment Fund and purposes of the funds are as follows:

- John and Nevart Bilzerian FundAltar Maintenance
- Helen Bogosian Fund.....Altar Flowers and Church Ground Care
- Dr. Simon Harootian Memorial Fund
- Yeranoosh Abrahamian Memorial Fund
- Alice Hagopian Memorial FundSt. Nerses Educational Summer Studies
- Kasper and Agavny Donabedian.....Enhancement of Religious Rites and Ceremonies
- Family Memorial Fund
- Mr. and Mrs. Nishan Baljian FundEducational and Cultural Purposes
- Zaven and Lucy Kasparian Fund.....Educational and Religious Advancement of our Youth
- Jalloian Family Fund.....Hokehankist
- Mrs. Elizabeth Chakarian FundHokehankist

I would like to remind potential contributors that the donated principal is not spent, only the income generated from the principal. The committee per agreement with the Parish Council receive credit for interest earned on the principal based upon the income percentage generated from the Parish Investment Accounts.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Der Hayr for his guidance and to Gary Hovhanesian, Robert Shamgochian, Lutwig Stepanian, Ruth Haddon, Eddie Atamian, and Vahan Pogharian for their help and support.

I would like to conclude this report by encouraging our parishioners to consider contributions to the Memorial Endowment Fund in order to support programs and projects in which they have an interest.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward S. Bilzerian, Chairman

Please see Page 58 for the Memorial Endowment Committee's Financial Report.

Men's Club

The year 1991 was a successful year for the Men's Club.

During 1991 the organization held eight dinner meetings, including a Lenten dinner. All of our meetings had either a speaker or an evening of comradery. As part of the dinner format the Men's Club offered Kheyra to members, which proved to be a very popular menu item. In addition, our Guest Committee focused on bringing in Armenian speakers, which also proved quite popular.

Since the "re-inception" of the Men's Club five years ago, the Men's Club has been a positive factor within the Church. This past year is no exception.

Looking to the future, we anticipate another solid year for the Men's Club.

Financial Statement

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$ 605.38
Additional Receipts	<u>4,334.00</u>
Total	<u><u>\$4,939.38</u></u>

Expenditures

Various Donations (Onion Chopper)	\$ 400.00
Other Expenses	<u>3,724.32</u>
Total Expenditures	4,124.32

Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991	<u><u>\$844.67</u></u>
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Respectfully submitted,



Kasper Maksian

Senior Ladies Auxiliary Annual Report

Rev. Father Aved Terzian.....President
 Frances ElloianChairperson
 Berjouhi ZakarianVice Chairperson
 Ann ZakaianTreasurer
 Margaret Belles.....Recording Secretary
 Louise Toromanian.....Advisor
 Derouhi IshlemejianAdvisor

The Senior Ladies hold a luncheon meeting on the third Tuesday of the month whenever possible. Der Aved or Deacon Norman are always present.

January 9 – Baked and hosted Armenian Christmas fellowship after church services.

March 23 – Lenten dinner (Miching) Frances Elloian introduced our two guest speakers. David Coyne, Advocacy Coordinator on Committee for the Homeless and Allison Savicy, Coordinator for the Walkathon for the Homeless. Dinner was a success.

March 28 – Lenten luncheon (Panjaratoon) on Holy Thursday. About 50 parishioners attended after church service.

May 7 – Kheyra lunch celebrating Holy Day (Hampartsoon). Deacon Norman showed tapes on V.C.R. (Back to Ararat, Forgotten Genocide, A Dream Come True).

August 20 – Annual picnic (held inside) due to inclement weather. Served about 90 people.

September 17 – Chicken luncheon and meeting.

November – Annual Bazaar. Members baked and prepared the pastry table. Frances Elloian was in charge with her committee.

Please come and join our friendly group. We need new and active members.

Financial Statement

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$1,526.67	
Add'l Receipts	<u>2,872.75</u>	
Total		<u><u>\$4,399.42</u></u>
Expenditures		
Donation to Church	\$1,500.00	
In Lieu of Flowers	20.00	
Other Expenses	<u>766.18</u>	
Total Expenditures	\$2,286.18	
Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991		<u><u>\$2,113.24</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Belles
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Margaret Belles
Recording Secretary

Sunday Church School Report

A loving Christians in our community, it is critical to support the teaching in our Church School every Sunday morning. Here is an overview of the religious education curriculum and what is being learned by our youngest parishioners:

Preschool: *The Armenian Church is a special place for us where we can make friends and hear about God with them.* In their first year of Sunday School, preschoolers are given brief and varied exposure to special feasts, saints, prayers and songs. All subject matter is designed to delight and intrigue. They see how beautiful it is to live in God's world.

Nursery: *God loves us; we celebrate his love; we share with, love and forgive each other as he does us.* Children will be learning attitudes, attitudes of reverence for God, love for his Church, trust in his care and mercy, and joy in being at Sunday School with God's greatest gift – life's first friends.

Kindergarten: *God is revealed in creation, maker of all that is seen and unseen; we thank him and know him through Jesus.* The home is integrated into a child's religious development and through home and class activities, the child will come to feel comfortable with God and Church.

Grade One: *God blesses us; the Armenian Church loves and cares for us and is our second home.* One of the major goals of this year is involving parents in the learning process. This is accomplished through home assignments designed to bring parents and children together. Class activities encourage students to think about their place in the Armenian Church and accept it as their second home.

Grade Two: *We are contributing members of the Christian community; we are the people of the Bible; a community of centuries.* The second grade is designed to help students realize they are part of the church community, both the church of yesterday and the church of today. But most importantly, they will share in the special fellowship that comes from being part of the Armenian Church.

Grade Three: *We believe that we are called to respond to God's gift of love.* Grade Three develops this theme by drawing on Armenian Church history and by giving the children contemporary examples of how we are called to respond to this special gift of God.

Grade Four: *We share in God's Kingdom even now in an everlasting covenant with him and with others.* Grade Four stresses our ability to enjoy the Kingdom here and now, to make God the center of our lives, and to reflect in this relationship with others.

Grade Five: *Jesus revealed God's everlasting love for us and proclaimed God's Kingdom.* Grade Five focuses on this message of love as its theme. Fifth graders will journey through scripture, tradition, and real-life situations that tie together the great truths of the Armenian Church with the challenges of growing-up.

Grade Six: *The Armenian Church continues the New Covenant established by Jesus.* Through eight formal units, sixth graders are given the opportunity to explore the formal faith as well as their own evolving response.

Grade Seven: *We believe that the Kingdom of God is present when we grow in knowledge of Jesus, and in love of ourselves and others through building the Christian community.* The seventh grade seeks to teach students the importance of knowledge of God through study of the Divine Liturgy, the Bible and the holy traditions of the Church.

Grade Eight: *We receive God's grace in many ways.* What have you done with what God gave you? The eighth grade attempts to assure students that they have a place in God's plan for the world and that He will help them fill it.

Grade Nine: *We are made in God's image, free to choose, to grow, to make wrong choices; our faith helps us be reconciled.* Areas covered at God and our relationship to him; What the Church is and does; achieving Christian maturity and accepting Christian responsibility.

Grade Ten: *The Armenian Church as a believing community passes on our faith and heritage and continues Christ's work.* The tenth grade seeks to provide an environment in which teens can question and probe their faith, while knowing that the Church is there to guide and encourage them.

It is only through the efforts of our clergy and the volunteers who have committed themselves to teach our children that this is done successfully. I extend to them my heartfelt thanks for their devotion, love and dedication.

Respectfully submitted,

TARA STEPANIAN
Tara Stepanian, Superintendent

Women's Guild Annual Report

Elizabeth Sheehan.....	Chairperson
Marilyn Larkin.....	Vice-Chairperson
Grace Perno.....	Recording Secretary
Anna Martin.....	Corresponding Secretary
Joan Handleman.....	Treasurer
Margaret Boosahda.....	Assistant Treasurer
Hazel Eljanian.....	Advisor
Mary Danielian.....	Advisor
Marilyn Larkin.....	Advisor

Ten regular meetings were held through the year with good positive attendance by the members. We have 134 paid members with four new members added to our roster. Board meetings were held on the first Tuesday of each month and regular meetings were held on the second Tuesday followed by a variety of programs.

Our ladies, along with the Social Services Committee and the Visitation Committee, made visits, sent flowers, cards and had telephone contact with our new mothers, our hospitalized, grieving and ill members. Visits were also made to shut-ins and to those in the Jamaica Plain Armenian Nursing Home where some of our members serve on the board.

Three delegates attended the Diocesan Assembly held in the Loew's Glenpointe Hotel, Teaneck, New Jersey. The delegates were Betty Sheehan elected as secretary for the Women's Guild Assembly, Pauline Agazarian and Marilyn Larkin who were elected to the Nominating Committee of the Women's Guild Control Council.

The following is a listing of some of our activities and involvements:

- Hosted Worcester County Ecumenical Assembly dinner
- Regular Wednesday evening Lenten dinner for parish
- Education instructions by Deacon Norman Odabashian
- Attended Ladies Saints Day Program - Watertown
- Assisted Senior Ladies' Lenten "Miching" dinner
- Live auction
- Easter Fellowship
- Hosted Women's Guild Central Council Regional Assembly
- Pot Luck dinner
- May Guest Night Fashion Show
- Assisted Church Annual Picnic
- Dinner Meeting Recognition Night - Castle Restaurant, where 43 25-year and 10-year Membership Pins were awarded
- Our Church's 100th Anniversary Weekend celebration
- Nursing Homes and Shut-Ins - blessed grapes, water, etc., delivered
- Crop Walk for the Hungry
- Information session on elderly affairs by Sonia Hargrove
- Trip to Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island
- My Kinsman program
- Elections
- Joint Christmas Dinner meeting with the Men's Club
- Avaks
- Jamaica Plain Armenian Nursing Home
- Choir
- Mas Committee
- Representation in the Worcester County Ecumenical Council

The Women's Guild is a fundamental organization of the church and we work to keep alive our wonderful heritage and beautiful religion and help keep our church on an upward progress. We do our best to serve God, our Church and community with love and understanding.

Our combined thanks go to Father Aved Terzian and to Deacon Norman Odabashian for being there whenever we have needed them and for their kindness and guidance at all times.

We invite all women to join us. The Guild is made up of people just like you.

Financial Statement:

Cash on Hand as of January 1, 1991	\$362.50	
Additional Receipts	<u>10,983.12</u>	
Total:		<u><u>\$11,345.62</u></u>

Expenditures

Donation to Church	\$2,000.00
Various Donations	425.00
Other Expenses	<u>8,408.61</u>
Total Expenditures	\$10,833.61

Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1991	<u><u>\$512.01</u></u>
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Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Sheehan
Elizabeth Sheehan, Chairperson

Joan Handleman
Joan Handleman, Treasurer E.S.

Beano Activity Report

Bingo volunteer workers, totaling thirty-five members of the Church of Our Saviour Parish continue active participation with diligent support of this fund raising. We applaud and thank each and everyone of them.

Gross Beano Receipts		\$250,132.85
Prizes Paid	\$202,453.00	
Mass. Tax	12,506.68	
Rent (Cultural Center)	9,800.00	
Security (Worc. Police)	2,478.25	
Supplies	4,424.75	
Advertising	1,374.50	
Banking Stationery	54.28	
Postage	29.00	
License	<u>50.00</u>	
Total Beano Expenditures		<u>\$233,170.46</u>
Net Profit From Beano Game		\$16,962.39
Net Profit From Charity Game		<u>6,508.15</u>
Total Profit from Beano Activity		23,470.54
Cash Balance from January 1, 1991		40,138.10
Interest Earned on Deposits 1991		<u>3,691.41</u>
Total Fund Available for Distribution		\$67,300.05
Distribution:		
Church of Our Saviour	\$20,000.00	
Jimmy Fund	<u>50.00</u>	
Total Funds Distributed		<u>\$20,050.00</u>
Surplus Funds on Deposit		<u><u>\$47,250.05</u></u>

49 Events held in 1991.
204 Average weekly attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Bart Bagdasarian

Bart Bagdasarian, Member in Charge

John Toromanian

John Toromanian, Co-Member

Comparative Statement of Income

	1991 Actual	1990 Actual	1991 Budgeted
Pledges Collected	\$50,204.75	\$65,862.75	\$63,000.00
Plate Collection	5,973.93	5,898.45	5,500.00
Sunday School Plate Collection	660.28	577.96	500.00
Youghakin	13,688.00	16,296.00	18,000.00
Hokehankist	13,148.35	12,222.25	14,000.00
Altar Flowers	1,909.00	1,557.00	—
Momakin	2,153.65	2,425.05	2,400.00
In Lieu of Flowers	30,130.00	35,942.50	25,000.00
Service Fees – Bingo	9,800.00	11,155.00	12,000.00
Service Fees – Church Hall	1,585.00		
Service Fees – Cultural Center	575.00		
Service Fees – N.E. Region	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Weddings	600.00	1,150.00	1,500.00
Memorial Biographies (<i>Schedule A</i>)	700.00	300.00	—
Gifts (<i>Schedule B</i>)	4,079.00	3,509.00	—
Transfer Account (<i>Schedule C</i>)	45,634.48	49,950.00	59,000.00
Interest/Dividend Income	38,123.59	53,479.74	55,000.00
Investment – Realized Gains/Loss	4,147.00	—	
Investment – Unrealized Gains/Loss	9,176.00	<7,690.25>	
Church Function – Picnic	3,332.97	4,716.24	4,000.00
Church Function – Harvest Fair	15,216.49	16,154.26	22,000.00
Church Function – Rug Sale	4,805.57	19,995.22	20,000.00
Diocesan Assembly Income	—	40,057.67	—
Miscellaneous Income	—	844.40	2,500.00
Total Operating Income	\$256,843.06	\$335,603.24	\$305,600.00
Bequests (<i>Schedule D</i>)	\$30,361.19	623,218.60	—
Interest/Dividend Income <i>Special Investment Account</i>	39,881.00	42,795.65	—
Realized Gains <i>Special Investment Account</i>	10,803.00	—	—
Unrealized Gains <i>Special Investment Account</i>	34,385.00	—	—
Memorial Contributions	2,900.00	4,500.00	—
Endowment Contributions	4,500.00	6,000.00	—
Earthquake Fund	—	39,830.11	—
Children's Earthquake Fund	—	2,278.31	—
Total Income Received	\$379,673.25	\$1,054,225.91	\$305,600.00

The Centennial Celebration earned \$12,529.64 and does not appear as income. Two Special Restricted Funds were set up with these funds: Special Reserve/Maintenance and Beautification of Khatchkar Fund: \$2,529.64; Special Reserve/Patriarch of Jerusalem Fund: \$10,000.00

Comparative Statement of Expenditures

	1991 Actual	1990 Actual	1991 Budgeted
Clergy Stipend	\$32,003.63	\$28,200.12	\$31,400.00
Clergy Rental Allowance	19,299.98	18,800.04	19,300.00
Clergy Auto Allowance	2,226.00	1,782.00	2,184.00
Clergy Auto Insurance	1,261.00	1,146.00	1,150.00
Clergy Health Insurance	6,502.28	6,145.91	5,100.00
Clergy Disability Insurance	1,250.00		1,250.00
Clergy Pension	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Assistant to Pastor - Stipend	17,172.86	—	17,170.00
Assistant to Pastor - Housing Allowance	6,600.00	—	7,600.00
Assistant to Pastor - Auto Exp./Insur.	5,958.05	—	4,000.00
Assistant to Pastor - Gas/Auto Maint.	383.31	—	1,000.00
Assistant to Pastor - Health Insurance	1,000.26	—	1,200.00
Payroll - Secretaries	29,232.76	29,841.25	28,700.00
Payroll - Bookkeeping	6,268.22		4,800.00
Payroll - Custodial	22,809.39	23,838.94	22,000.00
Outside Accounting	862.13	496.75	—
Visiting Clergy Expense	522.46	1,175.00	1,000.00
Honorarium - Choir Director	1,610.00	2,240.00	5,600.00
Honorarium - Organist	2,295.00	2,800.00	
Honorarium - Soloist	840.00	735.00	
Honorarium - Deacons	350.00	980.00	
Sunday School Program	2,048.51	1,530.21	1,600.00
Armenian Language School	170.00	76.42	300.00
Youth Activities Programs	336.00	2,160.55	—
Choir Convention	418.00	400.00	1,000.00
Diocesan Assembly	2,403.98	—	3,000.00
Summer Studies Tuition Subsidy	798.65	505.00	800.00
Diocesan Assessment	40,789.00	36,760.00	42,000.00
N.E. Region Assessment	—	1,144.00	1,500.00
Ecumenical Council	341.00	506.50	300.00
Etchmiadzin Looma	—	550.00	550.00
Community Mission Fund	500.00	350.00	3,000.00
St. Nerses Seminary	—	—	1,000.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	777.24	—	1,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	7,691.91	6,364.74	7,800.00
Insurance - Employee Health Care	5,851.60	1,025.56	6,200.00
Insurance - Workman's Comp.	1,413.00	1,623.00	1,600.00
Insurance - Real Estate/Per. Prop.	5,391.00	7,163.80	6,400.00
Auto Repairs - Pastor Car	666.37	587.01	800.00
Parish Car Replacement Fund	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00

Comparative Statement of Expenditures (Continued)

	1991 Actual	1990 Actual	1991 Budgeted
Other Employee Car Expense	\$ 80.00	—	—
Altar/Church Supplies	1,162.74	4,382.98	2,000.00
Altar Flowers	2,530.04		
Church Functions/Religious Misc.	3,466.71	12,666.48	—
Heating - Gas	12,586.84	14,967.38	14,000.00
Water	919.15	727.91	1,000.00
Electric	7,977.55	6,267.32	4,800.00
Telephone/Cable	5,924.34	4,284.30	3,400.00
Beano Breakdown	2,231.00	—	
Building Maintenance - Gen./Lisc.	10,627.59	19,972.48	6,000.00
Building Maintenance - Electric	1,634.87		
Building Maintenance - Heating	757.00		
Building Maintenance - Plumbing	458.33		
Building Equip. Maint. - Maint./Repairs	1,657.62		
Rubbish Removal	2,972.97		
Building Maintenance - Elevator	420.00		300.00
Capital Expenditures - Building (Schedule E)	12,917.25	53,291.30	14,354.00
Capital Expenditures - Equipment (Schedule F)	27,032.70		
Building Supplies	3,784.44	5,481.60	5,000.00
Office Supplies	5,103.94	3,735.33	
Printing	885.97	5,622.70	3,000.00
Messenger Printing	1,482.00		5,200.00
Office Equipment Maint. and Repairs	813.63	—	1,500.00
Postage	2,449.67	2,591.43	3,600.00
Interest Expense - SBA Loan	689.21	950.84	2,000.00
Centennial Celebration Expenses	—	2,700.93	—
Miscellaneous Expense	4,229.15	4,764.89	1,642.00
Memorial Endowment Committee	—	—	1,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$347,338.30	\$325,835.67	\$305,600.00

Schedules of Income

(Schedule A)

Memorial Biographies

David Adishian	\$100.00
Acabe Dodakian	100.00
Garabed Dodakian	100.00
Mary Markarian	100.00
Dr. Sherman Santoian.....	100.00
Abraham Trabizonian.....	100.00
Nona Trabizonian	100.00
Total Memorial Biographies	\$700.00

(Schedule B)

Gifts

Simon Y. Balian.....	\$365.00
Mr. and Mrs. Boyagjian <i>Bayside, N.Y.</i>	200.00
Mr. and Mrs. William Dourjalian	200.00
Education Society of Malatia <i>Armenian School</i>	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Hacik Eknayan	200.00
Mrs. Garabed Kassabian	100.00
John Kassabian.....	120.00
John Malkasian	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver S. McBride	100.00
Donald Shagalian	100.00
Harry Sogigian <i>Exterior Church Entrance Plaque</i>	601.50
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yagjian.....	601.50
<i>Exterior Church Entrance Plaque</i>	
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yagjian.....	400.00
<i>Divine Liturgy Books</i>	
Lucy Vasil.....	125.00
Grapes Contributions	200.00
Miscellaneous Gifts.....	566.00
Total Gifts.....	\$4,079.00

(Schedule C)

Transfer Account

Beano Transfer.....	\$20,000.00
Cultural Center Fund (<i>Closing Account</i>)	22,484.48
Women's Guild (<i>1990 Transfer</i>).....	1,000.00
A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors' (<i>1990 Transfer</i>)	150.00
Women's Guild <i>1991 Transfer</i>	2,000.00
Total Transfers.....	\$45,634.48

Schedules of Income (Continued)

(Schedule D)

Bequests

Estate of Harry Sarkisian..... \$30,361.19

Schedules of Expenses

(Schedule E)

Capital Expenditures - Building

Parish House Carpeting \$3,295.07
 Parish House Side Door 634.00
 Parish House Blinds..... 1,276.17
 Plaques for Church/Cultural Center 4,321.01
 Sod 600.00
 Inscription on Plaques/Exterior Church 1,203.00
 Misc. Carpentry 1,588.00
Total \$12,917.25

(Schedule F)

Capital Expenditures - Equipment

Choir Relocation/Intercoms/Monitors \$4,878.52
 Fax 431.05
 Accounting Software598.00
 Apple Computer..... 9,000.41
 Hobart Ovens - Cultural Center..... 8,432.50
 Dishwasher Booster 1,160.00
 Security Pad - Elevator Entrance..... 218.00
 Used Office Equipment 245.00
 Kitchen Utensils..... 111.23
 Power Shovel 83.99
 Other 1,874.00
Total \$27,032.70

Perry Como - Earthquake Concert Report

Date: Friday, December 13, 1991	Attendance: 9,265
Time: 8:00 p.m.	Sponsor: WSRS - FM
Place: Centrum - Worcester, Massachusetts	Ticket Prices: \$50, \$38.50, \$28.50, \$22.50

Gross Ticket Sales \$250,710.50
 Total Expenses 174,821.24
 Net Profit \$75,889.26

Memorial Endowment Fund

	12/31/90 Balance	1991 Contribs.	1991 Expends.	1991 Int. Earned	12/31/91 End. Bal.
John and Nevert Bilzerian	\$13,890.85		\$400.00	\$1,241.15	\$14,732.00
Helen Bogosian	3,083.45		379.66	296.21	3,000.00
Dr. Simon Harootian, D.M.D.	1,334.50			119.24	1,453.74
Yeranoosh Abrahamian	2,965.80			284.91	3,250.71
Alice Hagopian	2,000.00		138.00	178.70	2,040.70
Kasper and Agavny Donabedian Family Fund	1,148.69		251.33	102.64	1,000.00
Mouradian-Piligian Fund	1,000.00		89.35	89.35	1,000.00
Mr. and Mrs. Nishan Baljian	5,049.88	2,500.00		631.96	8,181.84
Zarvin and Lucy Kasparian	1,000.00		89.35	89.35	1,000.00
Elizabeth Chakarian		1,000.00		67.01	1,067.01
Suren and Mary Daniels		1,000.00		42.63	1,042.63
Total	<u>\$31,473.17</u>	<u>\$4,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,347.69</u>	<u>\$3,143.15</u>	<u>\$37,768.63</u>

Restricted Funds

	Balance on 12/31/90	1991 Contributions	1991 Interest	Ending Bal. on 12/31/91
Margaret Thomasian Estate	\$36,525.00	0.00	\$3,263.51	\$39,788.51
Charles and Elizabeth Nanigian Mem.	15,000.00	0.00	1,340.25	16,340.25
Owen Paelian Family Fund - Mem.	9,000.00	2,500.00	1,009.17	12,509.17
Verkin Hooloian Estate - Memorial	4,167.00	0.00	372.32	4,539.32
Nevart Bilzerian Fund - Memorial	2,000.00	0.00	178.70	2,178.70
Margaret Hagopian - Memorial	6,798.75	0.00	607.47	7,406.22
Shapazian - Memorial	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Sarah Manooshian Estate	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Mary Bedrosian - Memorial	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Nevart Hoogasian - Memorial	1,200.00	0.00	107.22	1,307.22
Hoogas Hoogasian Estate	1,451.79	0.00	129.72	1,581.51
Mary Manoogian Outreach	1,205.00	0.00	107.67	1,312.67
Total	\$80,347.54	\$2,500.00	\$7,384.08	\$90,231.62

Memorial Funds Pending

	Balance on 12/31/90	1991 Contributions	1991 Interest	Ending Bal. on 12/31/91
N. Rose Baljian	\$1,500.00	0.00	\$134.03	\$1,634.03
Marjorie Sohigian	2,000.00	0.00	178.70	2,178.70
John Sagarian	4,450.00	300.00	408.63	5,158.63
Margaret Der Merjian	1,855.00	0.00	165.74	2,020.74
Sarah Yegsigian	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Hagop Hintlian	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Mr. and Mrs. George Manos	500.00	0.00	44.68	544.68
Mary Chakemian	800.00	0.00	71.48	871.48
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Smith	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Mr. and Mrs. Antranik Yarumian	1,420.00	0.00	126.88	1,546.88
Satenig Hovagimian	2,000.00	0.00	178.70	2,178.70
Helen Torigian	1,000.00	0.00	89.35	1,089.35
Mr. and Mrs. H. Andonian	0.00	100.00	1.10	101.10
Total	\$18,525.00	\$400.00	\$1,667.34	\$20,592.34

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT
HOLDINGS AND VALUES

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>12/31/90 VALUE</u>	<u>12/31/91 VALUE</u>
400	Ford Motor Company	\$ 10,650	\$ 11,250
500	Peoples Bank	\$ 6,750	\$ *
8325	Dean Witter Global S/T Inc.	\$ -----	\$ 81,665
2000	Dean Witter World Wide Income	\$ 19,840	\$ 18,540
88000	ETR Series 3 due 5/15/91	\$ 85,679	*
80000	First Fed. Sav. CD 9.05% due 5/24/91	\$ 80,000	\$ *
30000	American Pioneer 8.40% due 8/30/91	\$ 30,000	\$ *
110000	CATS 0% due 5/15/93	\$ 91,575	\$103,262
87000	Greenwood Trust CD 8.25% due 12/12/94	\$ 87,000	\$ 87,000
88000	Sears Credit Account Trust 8.70% due 8/25/95	\$ 88,770	\$ 90,640
63000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/96	\$ 39,769	\$ *
272000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/00	\$-----	\$146,050
122000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/04	\$-----	\$ 46,201
25000	PaineWebber Equity Partners I	\$ 25,000	\$ 11,625
5	Principal Guarantee Fund	\$ 5,514	\$ 5,583
48282	ILAF(Money Market)	\$ 72,483	\$ 48,282
516	Cash	\$ 4	\$ 516
TOTALS:		<u>\$643,034</u>	<u>\$650,614</u>

* - Item matured or sold

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

	<u>1990</u>		<u>1991</u>	
EQUITY	\$ 17,400	2.70%	\$ 11,250	1.73%
FIXED INCOME	\$522,633	81.28%	\$573,358	88.13%
LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS	\$ 30,514	4.75%	\$ 17,208	2.64%
CASH	<u>\$ 72,487</u>	<u>11.27%</u>	<u>\$ 48,798</u>	<u>7.50%</u>
	\$643,034	100.00%	\$650,614	100.00%

Withdrawals Year To Date: \$50,000

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
 SPECIAL ACCOUNT
 HOLDINGS AND VALUES

<u>QUANTITIY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>12/31/90 VALUE</u>	<u>12/31/91 VALUE</u>
542000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/96	\$342,137	*
200000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/97	\$115,500	\$136,930
70000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/00	-----	\$ 37,586
1057000	STRIPS 0% due 11/15/04	-----	\$400,285
948	ILAF(Money Market)	\$ 33,043	\$ 948
TOTALS:		<u>\$490,680</u>	<u>\$575,749</u>

* - Item matured or sold

Balance Sheet
December 31, 1991

Assets:

Wall Street Checking - WCIS	\$ 39,687.51
Earthquake Checking - WCIS	117,567.06
Church Function Checking - Shawmut	12,529.64
Investment/Securities - Dean Witter	638,989.00
Special Investment Account - Dean Witter	575,749.25
Working Fund - Dean Witter	4,353.08
Investment - Paine Webber	11,625.00
Prepaid Expense - First Night	1,217.00
Account Receivable - A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors	1,000.00

Total Assets\$1,402,717.54**Liabilities:**

FICA Taxes Payable	\$736.74
Federal Withholding Taxes Payable	948.47
State Withholding Taxes Payable	487.13
Diocesan Earthquake Payable	119,623.76
Notes Payable SBA	26,282.35

Total Liabilities

\$148,078.45

Equity:

Endowment Fund	\$37,768.63
Memorial Funds Pending	20,592.34
Restricted Funds	90,231.62
Auto Fund	5,000.00
Baptismal Font Fund	474.16
Church Organ Fund	2,526.54
Children's Earthquake Fund	2,278.31
Special Reserve/Maint. and Beautification of Khatchkar	2,529.64
Special Reserve/Patriarch of Jerusalem Fund	10,000.00
Church Reserve Fund	1,083,237.85

Total Equity\$1,254,639.09**Total Liabilities and Equity**\$1,402,717.54

1992 Proposed Budget

Income

Pledges Collected Prior Years	\$65,000.00
Pledges Collected Current Year	
Plate Collection	5,500.00
Sunday School Plate Collection	650.00
Youghakin	14,500.00
Hokehankist	13,000.00
Momakin	2,200.00
In Lieu of Flowers	25,000.00
Bingo	12,000.00
Service Fees - Church Hall	2,000.00
Service Fees - Cultural Center	
New England Regional	1,200.00
Weddings	1,000.00
Gifts	2,000.00
Bequests	
Beano Organization	35,000.00
Church Organization Transfer	9,000.00
Interest/Dividend Income	50,000.00
Church Function - Picnic	4,000.00
Church Function - Harvest Fair	20,000.00
Church Function - Rug Sale	10,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	2,500.00
Total	<u><u>\$274,550.00</u></u>

Expenses

Clergy Stipend	\$33,755.00
Clergy Rental	19,300.00
Clergy Auto Allowance	2,184.00
Clergy Auto Insurance	1,200.00
Clergy Disability Insurance	1,800.00
Clergy Pension	2,000.00
Clergy Health	4,900.00
Assistant to Pastor Stipend	21,000.00
Assistant to Pastor Housing	6,600.00
Assistant to Pastor Auto Expense	2,000.00
Assistant to Pastor Insurance	1,000.00
Assistant to Pastor Gas	500.00
Assistant to Pastor Health Insurance	1,200.00
Payroll Secretary	26,000.00
Payroll Bookkeeping	7,500.00
Payroll Custodian	27,000.00
Outside Accounting	1,000.00
Visiting Clergy	1,000.00
Choir Director	1,800.00
Organist	2,300.00
Soloist	900.00
Deacons	350.00
Sunday School Program	2,000.00
Armenian Language School	500.00
Youth Activities	1,000.00
Choir Convention	200.00
Diocesan Assembly	5,000.00
Memorial Endowment Fund	1,000.00
Summer Studies Tuition	1,000.00
Diocesan Assessment	37,882.00
Ecumenical Council	300.00
Community Mission Fund	3,000.00
Pastor Discretionary Fund	1,000.00
Payroll Tax	8,700.00
Insurance Employee Health Care	4,400.00
Workmen's Comp	1,400.00
Building Insurance	5,400.00
Auto Repairs Pastor	1,000.00
Altar Church Supplies	2,000.00
Church Functions:	
Religious Miscellaneous	2,500.00
Heating-Gas	12,000.00
Water	1,000.00
Electric	8,000.00
Telephone	4,000.00
Building Maintenance General	5,000.00
Electric	500.00
Heating	1,000.00
Plumbing	400.00
Elevator	2,520.00
Building Equip. & Repair	1,000.00
Capital Expenditures Building	5,000.00
Capital Expenditures Equipment	3,000.00
Rubbish Removal	3,000.00
Building Supplies	3,500.00
Office Supplies	3,500.00
Office Printing	1,000.00
Messenger Printing	3,000.00
Office Equipment Maint. & Repair	800.00
Postage	3,000.00
SBA Loan	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000.00
Car Replacement	2,500.00
Etchmiadzin Looma	1,000.00
Total	<u><u>\$311,291.00</u></u>

It is the intent of the Parish Council to present to the Annual Parish Assembly several proposals to bring this Deficit Budget into balance.

After presentation and discussion, the Assembly will vote and adopt the final Budget.

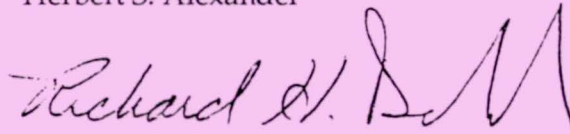
Auditing Report

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern Diocese) the Auditing Committee of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour has examined the Treasurer's Reports and as a result of this examination we find these records to be a fair and reasonable representation of the financial position of the Church.

Examined and signed on Sunday, February 9, 1992, by the 1991 Auditors.



Herbert S. Alexander



Richard H. Dodakian



Mark Pogharian



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