

ANNUAL REPORT: ST. JAMES CHOIR 1983

Under the leadership of Choirmaster Raffi Sevadjan, the choir continued its significant contribution to the worship of God. The present officers, elected the end of October are: Ellen Ishkanian, Chairperson, Joyce Papazian, Vice Chairperson, Nina Hachigian, Recording Secretary, John Vakassian, Treasurer, and Lucy Tepikian, Corresponding Secretary. From January to September Joyce Papazian served as chairperson.

The choir this year once again sponsored a Lenten Dinner and in June marked the 25th anniversary of Raffi Sevadjan's musical conducting by hosting a champagne and cake reception following church. In October, under the inspiration of Raffi, the choir, together with the Parish Council, sponsored a dinner-dance at the Greek Orthodox Church of Our Savior in Rye, N.Y. The dance was a social as well as a financial success, netting over \$3000.00.

St. James, as well as the choir, is privileged to have a musician of Raffi's calibre to direct our music. We hope that more church members will take advantage this year of the opportunity to sing with us in praise of God. Our plans for 1984 include sending delegates to the Choir Assembly, hosting a Lenten Dinner, and sponsoring a musical event such as a concert which would be musically enriching for the entire Church membership. We would also like to undertake a choir exchange with a sister church in the Metropolitan New York area but can't do this unless we significantly increase our active membership; we especially need male voices.

Income	\$955.14
Expenses	411.75
Balance	543.39

Respectfully submitted,



Ellen Ishkanian
Chairperson

Nina Hachigian
Recording secretary