

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH - TENAFLY, N.J.

CHOIR REPORT - 1971

Choir attendance has been up this past year - We have been averaging between 8 to 12 people per Sunday. A distinct rise from the years before - The encouraging statistic is that the individual's presence has been steadier than previous years.

Our organist is Miss Susan Shamamian, There is no denying that we, in St. Thomas, are most fortunate in having a young lady of her abilities in our midst. She deserves all the accolades of praise for her steadfastness and devotion.

There are no words we can express to say "Thank You" to the two stalwarts who have been serving as Deacons at the altar:- The Messrs. Krikor Anoushian and Armen Basmajian - Certainly their love of church shines thru with their selfless-efforts of weekly attendance - GETZEHS to them!

We have been aided on the altar also by Mr. Hovsep Nokhudian who recently moved in our area. We appreciate his work greatly. Charles Basmajian has occasionally been acting as censer and Yervant Kupelian has aided on the altar also - A word of thanks to them.

A taste of the Gomidas Badarak was heard recently at one of our Sunday Services. The Experiment was fairly successful and our promise is to try more of the same.

Our attempt to enhance, musically, the Holy Badarak is an effort on the steady number of people attending regularly, and our promise is to continue and improve the quality of our performance for the future of St. Thomas Church.