

ANNUAL REPORT

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH

1982

Rev. Zenob Nalbandian, Pastor

REPORT OF ALL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS  
AND PASTORS' REPORT

Pastor Fr. Zenob Nalbandian's

Report for 1982

We thank the Infinite for giving us the opportunity to come together for prayer in His House and to enjoy all His goodnesses. There is no doubt that the Church is a place where people must come together to worship God; and we did it regularly every Sunday without interruption.

1. a) Worship : On regular Sundays we have had Morning Service and Divine Liturgy along with sermons both in Armenian and in English languages. On special Sundays (Feasts) Antasdan also was done. During Lent Vigil Services were held on Wednesdays. On Armenian Christmas Eve a special service was held where Choir members sang all the Christmas carols. We have had a service on Armenian Christmas too.

b) Sacraments : In 1982 we were fortunate to have seven weddings in our Church. Three infants were baptized and confirmed. There were five funerals.

2. Visitations : I was given the opportunity to visit almost every family of my parish. Visitations are important both for the parish priest and the parishioner. The parish priest becomes more and more involved in his parishioner's life by visiting them. On the other hand, the parishioner makes the priest and the Church a part of his life, a member of his own family. It enables the priest to understand better the difficulties of his member and to seek for remedy.

I have visited the sick at the Trinity Memorial Hospital every Saturday. I have been also at Veteran's Hospital, Mt. Sinai and St. Luke's. Upon request, Holy Communion was administered to the sick along with the prayer of healing.

I have visited the Elders' Home and have administered Holy Communion both on Christmas and Easter to those who couldn't come to Church.

I thank Mr. Kerovpe Balian, the Loosarar of our Church who came and helped me on my Home Blessing visitations.

### 3. Educational :

- a) Armenian School : The Armenian School once again under the superintendence of Mrs. Grace Hadjinian tried to instill Armenian spirit in our children's hearts by teaching them their native language, the language of their ancestors.
- b) Sunday School : Mrs. Mary Hayalian did her best in educating our children in religious matters. We had a lot of students coming almost regularly each Sunday. On feast days the children were given Holy Communion. Pancake breakfast was sponsored by Sunday School.
- c) Armenian School for Adults : In spite of the poor attendance I tried to keep the Armenian School for Adults open. Learning the native language is important for every individual. Students have been taught the grammar along with the vocabulary. I like to see more and more Armenians attending to this very important class.
- d) Choir : Our Choir members came regularly every Sunday to partake of Holy Badarak. During Lent, they came to participate in the Vigil Service by reading and singing. Rehearsals took place every other Tuesday.
- e) Altar Servers : The two dedicated altar servers, Mr. Kerovpe Balian and Armen Hadjinian served at the altar regularly helping me with Badarak and other Church Services. For a short time Leif Peterson too, served at the altar.

4. Women's Guild : Our Women's Guild members devoted their energy and time to keep the Church work going smoothly. They kept our Church clean and nice. They worked hard and succeeded to obtain the best result. The Lenten and Martyrs' Dinners were given by them. During Lenten Season a Lenten Film Strip was shown by Terry Peterson. On Martyrs' Day Dinner Prof. Jacob Ghazarian was invited to give a lecture about the 1915 massacre of the Armenian people.
- The Women's Guild members worked hard continuously for a successful picnic. There is no question that the Bake Sale was an outstanding event. All these came to reality with the help of all members.

5. Newsletter : We published KEGHART newsletter regularly. We recently appointed Hampar Kaishian as the editor of Keghart. He is doing a real professional job. He gave our newsletter a new appealing look. People from different places helped improve Keghart by making donations. Keghart has now its own and separate account in the bank. We thank Hampar for the beautiful job. We thank also Kathy Kaishian for typing all the materials for our newsletter.
6. Lectures : A lecture and a slide presentation was given by me at a "One Day Retreat" at St. John Arm. Church. in Greenfield. The subject was "The Divine Liturgy" .  
On Women's Saint Day in Waukegan I gave a lecture about the role of Armenian Women.  
At Hye Camp I had "Open Discussion" with our Armenian youth.  
I gave a lecture at St. Mesrob's Church in Racine at a one-day Choir regional training Seminar sponsored by the A.A.C.C.A. The subject was about the history of the feast of Theophany.
7. Chorale : The newly formed Wisconsin Armenian Chorale was only a dream which came true. It is sponsored by the three Armenian Communities of Wisconsin. The of the Chorale is to teach Armenian folk songs to the Armenian people. The first meeting and rehearsal was held on Nov. 30 at our Church. We like to see more Armenians attending .

I want to extend my thanks to all<sup>d</sup> the organizations of our Church. I thank the Parish Council members for being and working with me during the whole year. All our members, according to their abilities and talents, worked hard for the growth of our Church. I thank all the members of our Church and every individual for supporting us morally, physically and financially.

Let the grace of our Lord and the love of God be with you all throughout the year.

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## PARISH COUNCIL

At year end of 1982 the Parish Council thanks all organizations for a job well done for the year. A special "thank you" to all concerned who worked on the Annual Picnic. You helped make it a success,

To the members we say that it is just as important to attend church as it is to pay your dues. The close feeling of togetherness of Armenians in Diaspora is centered around the Church. Also in order to follow the church budget we must realize a generous income from the Annual Picnic and dues. We find this year there are quite a few members behind in the payment of their dues. As you know in 1981, the dues were increased and the further behind you fall, the more difficult it is going to be to make up. We urge you to get up to date in your dues so that there will be no problems at later dates.

To the newly to be elected Parish Council, efforts must be made to complete projects that money has been donated for. To work closely with Der Hayr in instituting programs and activities and to get out of our stagnating mode.

In closing, we hope 1983 will be a successful, fruitful and enlightening year.

Thank you.

Esahag Haidarian  
Vice-Chairman

HOLY RESURRECTION - SO. MILW. WIS.

1982 Parish Council Report

INCOME - 1982

Membership dues	\$ 9,919.00
Plate Collection	421.70
Candles	273.40
Altar candles	81.00
Christmas donations	209.00
Easter donations	278.00
Vartanantz donations	26.50
Initial offering	18.25
Requiem services	125.00
Sunday School	20.00
Baptisms	100.00
Women's Guild	4,762.46
Weddings	335.00
Fellowship/dinners	516.28
Other donations	1,105.00
Interest income	5,534.19
Keghart publication	5.00
Picnic	5,595.00
Choir	<u>76.71</u>
 TOTAL INCOME	 29,401.49

EXPENSES - 1982

Priest Stipend	18,845.00
Priest Assistance	497.00
Priest's car expense	222.40
Diocesan dues	4,720.00
Church building insurance	860.60
Gas (heat)	3,096.71
Electric	1,213.76
Telephone	498.39
Priest Acc. & Health Ins.	1,630.52
Office supplies	360.10
Church supplies	755.09
Diocesan Assembly travel exp.	896.00
Church building repairs	70.69
Postage	323.45
Safety deposit box fee	16.00
Water	84.62
Choir Association	25.00
Diocese Bookstore	19.00
Misc.	<u>25.00</u>
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 34,159.33

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH, SO. MILW. WIS.

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1982

In Banks (Savings)	\$6,121.79	
In Checking Account	<u>1,623.94</u>	
Total on hand	7,745.73	\$7,745.73

Income 1982	29,401.49	
Disbursements 1982	<u>34,159.33</u>	
Loss 1982	( 4,757.84)	( 4,757.84)

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1982	2,987.89	<u>2,987.89</u>
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Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1983

In Banks (Savings)	240.47	
In Checking Account	<u>2,747.42</u>	
Total on hand 1/1/83	2,987.89	<u>2,987.89</u>

PROPOSED 1983 BUDGET

INCOME

Membership Dues		\$ 10,000.00
Plates & Candles		1,000.00
Christmas, Easter, Vartanantz		1,000.00
Funerals, Weddings, Baptisms		1,000.00
Madagh Dinner		500.00
Picnic		6,000.00
Interest Income		6,000.00
Women's Guild		2,500.00
Other Income		1,000.00
		<u>\$ 29,000.00</u>

EXPENSES

Priest Stipend	\$20,800.00	
Priest Health Insurance	1,630.00	
Priest Retirement Fund	750.00	
	<u>\$23,180.00</u>	\$ 23,180.00
Utilities Gas	\$ 3,500.00	
Electric	1,300.00	
Water	200.00	
Telephone	500.00	
	<u>\$ 5,500.00</u>	\$ 5,500.00
Church Insurance		\$ 860.00
Diocesan Dues		\$ 4,724.00
Supplies - Office	400.00	
Church	800.00	
Postage	400.00	
	<u>\$ 1,600.00</u>	\$ 1,600.00
Miscellaneous Expense		\$ 1,000.00
		<u>\$ 36,864.00</u>



WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL REPORT  
1982

Officers:	Fr. Zenob Nalbandian	President
	Mrs. Shirley Nersesian	Chairman
	Mrs. Roberta Sahagian	Secretary-Treasurer
	Mrs. Arsha Boyajian	Advisor
	Mrs. Terri Peterson	
	Mrs. Arsho Ohanian	

The above officers were not elected but accepted the offices on March 1, 1982.

The Women's Guild served the fellowships for 7 months of the year taking over the trustees months to serve. We were helped the other months by the Choir and Sunday School.

We kept the freezer full of Katah and Zylooks to sell on Sundays to the members of our church plus we sold to friends and neighbors.

Everyone enjoyed the two dinners we served the first part of the year. We had a delicious Lenten Dinner on March 21. Our second dinner was the Martyr's Day Dinner on April 24th. Both were well attended.

In July the church members came through again with their energy and helping hands, both with the baking and preparation before the picnic and the whole day and evening at the park and clean up at church.

Once again our bake sale was a great success. The ladies that couldn't help for the picnic baking came and helped for this event. Many came to learn and each baking session was fun which made the work go faster. Even the men got involved with donating more grape leaves and dropping down to join us all for coffee and fellowship.

This year we hosted the 1ST meeting of the Tri-Church Chorale Group. Sold cookbooks for our sister church and helped the Daughters of Vartan make Lahmajoon.

The response for alter flowers was very poor this year. Silk flowers will be purchased for the vases. Fresh flowers will be ordered on request only.

We have purchased a food processor for the kitchen which will cut our chopping time in half. \$25.00 was donated to the Keghart, and Marie Sarian donated a washing machine to us.

WOMEN'S GUILD FINANCIAL REPORT - 1982

Balance Forward \$ 500.00

INCOME

Activities	\$ 493.21
Alter Flowers	127.50
Annual Bake Sale	2,960.99
Bake Sale (Misc. Baking)	245.50
Donations	11.00
Fellowship	70.68
Funerals	967.66
Membership Dues	43.00

Total Income: \$4,919.54

\$5,419.54

DISBURSEMENTS

Activities	\$ 521.53
Alter Flowers	262.43
Annual Bake Sale	701.52
Fellowship	24.33
Funerals	525.27
Kitchen & Pantry Supplies	286.80
Misc.	22.87
Parish Council 12/3/82	2,000.00
Postage	29.80
Sunshine (Donated)	

Total Disbursements \$4,374.55

South Milwaukee Marine Bank  
Checking acct. Bal. 12/31/82 \$1,044.99

Roberta Sahagian,  
Women's Guild Treasurer

## ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

You are aware I am sure, that Sunday School is the most important organization in any church because they are our future parishioners.

Our Sunday School has ten children. The attendance is down, while we have ten children only two or four show up every now and then. In the past I have been teaching the Old Testament from the Bible. This year I have been teaching the 1st Book of Matthew of the New Testament. It seems the children like the Old Testament better.

We have purchased a new flannel board and a picture book of the Divine Liturgy or Holy Badarak. These are visual aids and very helpful. We teach the parts of the Badarak so they will know the meaning and what the priest is doing at the altar.

It is very important that the children take Communion once a month. We are planning that first Sunday of the month be Routine Communion Sunday. The fellowship that Sunday will be sponsored by the Sunday School.

During Lent we usually give out mite boxes to the children to save their money during Lent, and turn them in on Palm Sunday. This money is sent to Jerusalem to help an Armenian orphan. This year, however, the Diocese has asked that each child give \$4.00. The money will be used for the needy children.

I want to thank Grace Hadjinian for her assistance with the children. She has been a great help. I will not be teaching Sunday School in the future, but I would like to say it has been a fulfilling and very rewarding experience.

Sincerely,

Mary Hayalian

## CHOIR

On February 28, 1982, the Choir held its General Membership meeting, at which time, the following were elected as officers:

Kathy Kaishian	Chairman
Hampar Kaishian	Vice Chairman
Namzar Kaprelian	Secretary
Rose Hadjinian	Treasurer

There are eight active members in the Choir.

The Choir has participated in Holy Badarak on every Sunday. On Sundays when Der Hayr was not present, a Morning Service was conducted by the Choir, along with Armen Hadjinian acting as Deacon.

American Christmas Eve Services were held on December 24th, at which time Christmas carols were sung, along with readings from the Bible.

On Memorial Day, Choir members sang Hokehankisd Services at the Armenian Cemetery.

A Choir Seminar was held at St. Mesrob Church in Racine on October 30th, with the Racine Church acting as host. Five of our members attended, along with some members of the Chicago area churches.

An Armenian Chorale Group was formed November 30, 1982. The three area churches are participating under the directorship of Father Zenob Nalbandian. Its prime purpose is to learn Armenian folk songs and to perform at various functions in the future. More members are always welcome.

Choir took its turn along with the other Church organizations in sponsoring Fellowship.

The 36th Annual Choir Assembly was held on November 5, 6 and 7, 1982 at Cheltenham, Pa. Unfortunately, none of the members was able to attend.

The Choir sent a donation of \$25.00 in compliance with request from the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America.

Donations were made to the Choir by:

Frank Markarian  
Mary Haidarian

We thank them for their generosity.

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Upon reflection of the past year, I find that 1982 was not an outstanding year of extracurricular activities for the Choir due to the small number of members and conflicting schedules.

Although many parishioners have been contacted by our choir members, it seems that everyone is much too busy to consider serving their Church on Sundays. If all of us felt that way, there would be no choir at all. We all have busy lives, but that doesn't negate the fact that we all must shoulder some responsibility to our Church and its needs. It has been very disheartening to constantly receive negative responses. We sometimes wonder if it's worth our constant efforts, when we do not receive support from our parishioners.

In closing, I would like to extend my thanks to Der Zenob for his aid and guidance during the past year. I also thank my executive officers for their assistance and the other choir members who faithfully attended services and rehearsals.

Kathy Kaishian  
Chairman

## 1982 KEGHART NEWSLETTER REPORT

The Church Newsletter KEGHART was published regularly in 1982. KEGHART is published bi-monthly with the exception of single month issues for November and December. It is my hope that KEGHART will again be published on a monthly basis. This can only happen if someone will volunteer their services to do the typing of news and articles. At present, our staff is limited to myself, Kathy Kaishian, Mary Haidarian and also Namzar Kaprelian who assists in the assembling of the newsletter. We need two or three more typists to join our staff so the work can be spread out to working every second or third month.

I wish to thank Der Hayr, those organizations and parishioners for their cooperation in providing the articles for the newsletter. Donations from our readers have been helpful in covering the cost of some supplies, address labels, stencils and the pictures and photos that are printed in the KEGHART. To keep these special features, future donations will be greatly appreciated.

Submitted by:

Hampar Kaishian  
Editor - KEGHART

## KEGHART NEWSLETTER FINANCIAL REPORT

1982

BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1981		\$ 00.00
INCOME	\$128.00	
EXPENSES		
Supplies	\$ 78.02	
Owed to H. Kaishian	\$ 25.41	
December 31, 1982 Balance		\$ 75.39

Respectfully submitted,

Hampar Kaishian  
Editor

SOORP HAROUTUNE AREMIAN CHURCH CEMETERY  
(Holy Resurrection)  
(1982)

Cash on hand, January 1, 1982.....\$ 527.66

INCOME - 1982

Funerals, opening and closing.....\$ 400.00  
Interest, bank..... 39.45  
Memorial Day Donations..... 52.30  
Private Donations..... 17.00

TOTAL.....\$1036.41

EXPENSE - 1982

Opening and Closing of Graves.....\$ 500.00  
Maintenance ..... 100.00  
Memorial Day..(Cash to Priest-Services). 25.00

TOTAL.....\$ 625.00

\$1036.41  
--625.00

Cash on Hand, December 31, 1982,.....\$ 411.41

30 Month Certificate, \$4,000, Renewed 9-2-82.\$5,323.83

Respectfully Submitted By:

*Nerses N Nersesian*

(Cemetery Committee)--Nerses N Nersesian  
Kerovphe Balian  
Ronald Lewis

February 1, 1983

Peter Sahagian, Parish Council Chairman  
Parish Council Members

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT 1982

The 1982 Auditing Committee is submitting this letter as official notice that all Church treasury books for the period beginning January 1, 1982, through December 31, 1982 have been audited.

Accounts audited as follows:

General Ledger Treasury Books and Savings Passbook Accounts  
Women's Guild Treasury Books  
Cemetery Treasury Book

We report that all Church treasury books are in good order to the best of our knowledge and reflect accurately the income and disbursements of the year ending December 31, 1982.

Respectfully submitted,  
AUDITING COMMITTEE

Mary Haidarian  
Namzar Kaprelian  
Kathy Kaishian  
Also Assisted - Charley Kademian