

PASTORS CONCISE REPORT FOR 1974

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Dear Parishioners:

Greetings to all of you and I wish you success at our Parish Assembly.

We all thank God for being able to worship and pray together in our precious little church during the past year and perform our services according to our ancient Tradition.

We all appreciate the kind cooperation and the valuable services rendered to our Church by the Parish Council, under the efficient and hard working chairmanship of Dr. S. Essefian, whose devoted work yielded many positive results, as mentioned in the Parish Council Report. We are also appreciative of the efforts of the Womens' Guild, whose Chairwomen were Mrs. M. Satian and Mrs. J. Satian (for the first part of the year). We acknowledge the services of our choir members, choir master, organists and Deacons. They are - Mr. Dicran Jamgochian, Mr. Boghos Zulikian, Mrs. Ann Booher, and Miss Sossie Basmajian; Deacons: Dr. Ara Avakian and Mr. Ashod Krikorian; subdeacons: Mr. David Andonian, Mr. Ardavazt Dabbaghian and Mr. Karnig Ekizian.

During the past year we performed 13 baptisms, 3 marriage Blessings, and seven funerals. We also presided over 55 meetings of our Church organizations.

SUNDAY SCHOOL. - There are 10 teachers, Mr. J. Vartabedian, Principle, and and Dr. Charles Kumkumian, Educational Counciler.

ACYOA - We are glad to witness the reorganization of our Church youth. They are working with enthusiasm and awareness of ethnic pride. Miss Malvina Brown and Mr. Allen Kazanjian are co-chairmen. I would like to welcome all new members. Almost all of these new comers joined the ACYOA through my personal efforts. I thank them for positively responding to my invitation.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE - I asked our Parish Council to form a Membership Committee. For this important endeavor we firmly hope that during 1975 the Parish Council, as well as the Pastor could recruit more members. Again thanks to Dr. S. A. Essefian for editing our Parish paper, SHNORHALL.

OUR DUTIES AS LEGATE OF THE DIOCESE - Below we submit a resume of our wide range activities as Primate's Legate:

- 1. Attended the installation of Rt. Rev. M. Allin as twenty-third presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church.
- 2. The 11th Anniversary of Pope Paul's Consecration.
- 3. Attended as observer Roman Catholic Bishops Conference.

- 4. Attended numerous meetings on ecumenical movement.
- 5. A talk to the executives of WTTG and WASH radio stations on community problems.
- 6. On several occasions, preached in different American Churches.
- 7. Participating and/or leading ecumenical services on many occasions, such as Thanksgiving, Church unity, World peace, etc.
- 8. Attended ten luncheon meetings of Chevy Chase Clergy Assn.
 We played host at the Soptember meeting in our Church hall.
- 9. On the invitation of different Embassies, we represented our Church at their national celebration functions.

We extend our warm thanks and sincere feelings of appreciation to all of you, for your many sacrifices. We are well awa re that you did not spare your time and contributed financially to the Church according to your means.

Let it be our goal to further serve our beloved Church and the interests of our Nation.

God bless you all for your cooperation and sincere feelings towards each other.

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