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Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

November 16, 1987

TO: The Reverend Clergy and Parish Council Chairmen

SUBJECT: 1988 Annual Parish Assemblies and Parish Council reports

The 1988 annual parish assembly and council reports will be due on or before February 25, and we urge you to submit them promptly. This should not be difficult if your Assembly convenes in early January as required by Diocesan Bylaws. The following must be received in this office by February 25, 1988.

A. Parish Assembly Notice

- 1. Invitation *page 3 of the report*
- 2. Agenda *page 5-6 of the report*
- 3. Date mailed to membership - *JAN. 25, 1988*

B. Reports to Parish Assembly

- 1. Pastor's report (duly signed) *page 12-21 of the Annual Report*
- 2. Parish Council report (signed by the officers) *page 23-25 "*
- 3. Committee reports (signed by the officers)

C. Financial Reports

- 1. 1988 income and expense budget with 1987 Diocesan dues
- 2. Other financial reports presented to the Assembly

D. Election Results:

- 1. Copy of sample ballot - *Attached to the 1988 minutes*
- 2. Names of candidates *page 2 of the report*
- 3. Number of ballots received by each candidate *see the attachment*
- 4. Method of balloting (According to Bylaws Article 21, the election of Assembly officers of the parish council, Auditing committee, Nominating committee, and the Diocesan delegates must be done by secret ballot.) *see the cover letter*

- E. The cover letter of the pastor or parish council chairperson (if parish has no priest) addressed to the Primate and stating: *Included*
1. The date of the parish assembly
  2. The number of total membership and of members in attendance constituting a quorum *see the cover letter*
  3. The names of candidates elected and the ballots received. *see the cover letter*
- F. Certification of newly-elected Diocesan delegates *None -*
- G. Minutes of the Parish Assembly signed by Assembly Officers *enclosed*
- H. A statement that 1987 Diocesan dues are paid in full. *see the cover letter.*

May God guide your parish assemblies with His wisdom and grace and may His spirit inspire us all in His service.

Prayerfully,

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