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PRIMATE OF THE APMENIAN CHURCH TO VISIT MIAGARA FALLS

FOR ORDINATION SERVICES ON SEPTEMBER 24

On Sunday, September 24, 1976, His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, will ordain Deacon Vatche Nalbandian, deacon-in-charge of St. Sarkis Armenian Church. Niagara Falls, into the sacred order of the priest-hood of the Armenian Church. The ordination service will take place during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, which will commence at 10.00 a.m. in St. Sarkis Church, 300 Ninth Street, Niagara Falls.

The "Service of Calling." consisting mainly of an examination of the candidate's religious knowledge, will be held on Saturday, September 23, at 7.30 p.m. in the church.

Deacon Nalbandian will continue to service in Niagara Falls following his ordination and a forty-day period of meditation and preparation. Form in Beirut, he was educated and ordained a deacon at the Holy See of Etchmiadzin, Armenia. He served in a church in Paris before coming to the United States earlier this year. He has been the deacon-in-charge of the St. Sarkis Church since April, 1978. Deacon Nalbandian is married.

The Diocese of the Armenian Church of America comprises 50 parishes in the United States and Canada. Its center is in New York City. For further information on Archbishop Manoogian's visit to Niagara Falls and the ordination, please contact Deacon Nalbandian, tel. (716) 282-7307 or Mr. Arsen Avdoian, (716) 282-3386.

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ARMENIAN ARCHBISHOP TO ATTEND REGIONAL MEETING

IN NIAGARA FALLS, NOVEMBER 19-20

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, will be in Niagara Falls on November 19 and 20 for the regional meeting of the New York state and Canadian parishes of the Diocese.

On Saturday, November 19, representatives from Armenian Church parishes in Binghamton, Niagara Falls, Rochester, Syracuse, and Watervliet, New York and Hamilton, Montreal, St. Catharines, and Toronto, Canada will discuss some of the many facets of the Church community, including Church Schools, Armenian Schools, choir associations, cultural programs, and youth organizations. The meeting will be held at the St. Sarkis Armenian Church, 300 Ninth Street, Niagara Falls.

On Sunday, November 20, His Eminence will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at the St. Sarkis Church.

The Diocese of the Armenian Church of America was founded in 1898. It comprises 50 parishes in the United States and Canada. The Cathedral of the Diocese, St. Vartan, and Diocesan headquarters are located in New York Caty.

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