



## Saints Vartanantz Armenian Church

180 Old Westford Road, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824-1251

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Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saints Vartanantz Armenian Church,

### **“For the Lord loves a cheerful giver.” II Corinthians 9:7**

The past several months have been an exciting time for Saints Vartanantz Armenian Church of Chelmsford as the parish has just hosted a most successful 105<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Assembly. Some 250 delegates and guests from throughout the Eastern Diocese were hosted at our recently renovated church complex.

For the remainder of 2007, we look to build on the momentum generated by this most inspiring weekend by launching our annual Stewardship-Membership campaign, whose purpose is to assure our own spiritual growth as well as secure the permanent well-being of our spiritual home, Saints Vartanantz Armenian Church. In this regard, we appeal to all the faithful, who look upon Saints Vartanantz to safeguard their Armenian Christian Heritage, to please consider the following:

- ❖ If you are already a dues paying member, please continue your membership donation of \$120, and include an additional gift that represents your stewardship contribution.
- ❖ If you are currently not a dues paying member of Saints Vartanantz, please reflect upon your Armenian Christian Heritage and the critical role the church plays in your family’s life as well for the Armenian-American Community. Take the first step to demonstrate your faith by making a commitment to safeguard the future of our church.

Your membership contribution, in addition to representing predictable income for the church, enables you to be a voting member of the Parish, where you can help decide critical issues presented during our Annual Parish Assembly, and to hold various parish offices. Please note that as a parish of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern), we dutifully send an assessed contribution to the Diocese to support the many wonderful Diocesan programs. Approximately 75% of your annual membership contribution is used to fulfill our responsibility to the Diocese.

Stewardship is your gift to the church above and beyond your membership contribution. The meaning of church stewardship as explained in the enclosed brochure speaks to the role that the church plays in our everyday lives, whether you enjoy regular church attendance, or are an occasional visitor.

We ask you to please return your stewardship-membership 2007 pledge card, update the contact information, and please take advantage of the many spiritual, cultural, and social activities at Saints Vartanantz during the remainder of the year.

**May the blessings of the Lord always be upon you and your loved ones.**

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**Parish Council Chair**

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**Stewardship Committee Chair**

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Rev. Father Mampre Kouzouian

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