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ARMENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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من أجل الإحصاء العام يوجد سؤالين مهمين للأرمن

In the CENSUS there two questions that are important for the ARMENIAN

Ancestry	Person 1	Person 2
<p>18 What is the person's ancestry?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide up to two ancestries only. • Examples of Other - please specify are: GREEK, VIETNAMESE, HMONG, DUTCH, KURDISH, MAORI, LEBANESE, AUSTRALIAN SOUTH SEA ISLANDER. • See page 7 of the Census Guide for more information. • Remember to mark boxes like this: — 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Italian <input type="checkbox"/> German <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Scottish <input type="checkbox"/> Australian Other - please specify <p>Armenian</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Italian <input type="checkbox"/> German <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Scottish <input type="checkbox"/> Australian Other - please specify <p>Armenian</p>
Religion	Person 1	Person 2
<p>19 What is the person's religion?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answering this question is OPTIONAL. • Examples of Other - please specify are: SALVATION ARMY, HINDUISM, JUDAISM, HUMANISM. • If no religion, mark the "No religion" box. • Remember to mark box like this: — 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic <input type="checkbox"/> Anglican - Church of England <input type="checkbox"/> Uniting Church <input type="checkbox"/> Presbyterian <input type="checkbox"/> Greek Orthodox <input type="checkbox"/> Buddhism <input type="checkbox"/> Baptist <input type="checkbox"/> Islam <input type="checkbox"/> Lutheran Other - please specify <p>Armenian Catholic</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic <input type="checkbox"/> Anglican - Church of England <input type="checkbox"/> Uniting Church <input type="checkbox"/> Presbyterian <input type="checkbox"/> Greek Orthodox <input type="checkbox"/> Buddhism <input type="checkbox"/> Baptist <input type="checkbox"/> Islam <input type="checkbox"/> Lutheran Other - please specify <p>Armenian Catholic</p>

Prayer for peace

The war in southern Lebanon has been dragging on for far too long. Many innocent people, including women and children who have nothing to do with this ugly war are being killed.

Thousands of Australian citizens from many different backgrounds have been trapped in the war zone, and our government is doing everything it can to bring them home. So far more than 500000 people have fled their homes and if efforts to have a total cease fire fail, the world would face a great humanitarian catastrophe. People should understand that this is not a religious war, (Muslim versus Jew) but rather a political war.

We do not wish to delve into politics, but we ask all our community and all peace loving Australians to pray so that God may grant the will and the wisdom to those who are in power to immediately effect an end to this nasty and dangerous conflict. We pray that **peace** and **common sense prevail**. Amen

Historical Feature

As of this publication the bulletin will include a short history on each of our 19 patriarchs, so it is only fitting to start with the first patriarch of the Armenian Catholics.

His Beatitude Abraham Bedros I Ardzivian 1679 - 1749

Abraham Ardzivian was a student of the catholic preacher Melkon Tazbazian, and consequently served the Catholicos Pierre II of Sis, who in turn ordained him as a priest and later on in 1710 made him the Bishop of Aleppo.

In 1914, The Armenian Catholics in Constantinople gathered and decided to found an independent Armenian Catholic Church and elected Bishop Melkon Tazbazian as first Patriarch of all Armenian Catholics.

However the Ottoman authorities apprehended the congregation and sentenced the newly elected Patriarch and his Bishop to death and were sent to prison. The newly elected patriarch died in prison within a year but Bishop Ardzivian was set free only to be imprisoned again in Rouad Island in 1719 where he served a prison term of almost 3 years. He was pardoned and set free again on condition that he would leave Aleppo forever.

Bishop Ardzivian left Aleppo in 1719 for Lebanon and settled on the newly purchased estate in Kreim by the Mouradian brothers. During his 17 years of self exile he founded The Armenian Monks Order of St Antoine, as well as building the convent church. Even though he was in Lebanon he still managed the affairs of his eparchy in Aleppo through his vicar Hagop Hovespian.

In 1738, the Armenian Catholics of Aleppo, successfully managed to have him return to Aleppo, with the help of the then Greek Catholic bishops. Upon his arrival he ordained Hagop Hovespian as a bishop, and in turn the people elected him as Patriarch on November, 26 1740.

In order to ratify and make his election recognised by the Pope he went to Rome in 1742, where he presented himself to Pope Benedict XIV. And on December 8 1742, Pope Benedict XIV ratified his election and granted him the Pallium.

Thus His Beatitude Ardzivian founded The Armenian Patriarchate, and even though it was legal in every aspect of the Catholic Church rule, it was always persecuted by the Turkish authorities. In spite the intervention of many foreign countries Ardzivian could not achieve sovereignty, so he had to resign his post before he could go to Constantinople as Patriarch of the Armenian Catholics.

Thus began the 250 year history of the Armenian Catholic Church.

Upon his return from Rome he went to the mountains of Lebanon, accompanied by 6 Bishops and 22 St Antoine monks from where he set out to accomplish his mission.

He passed away after he had appointed Bishop Hovsepian as his successor.

Feast of our Lady of the Assumption

August 13 is the feast of our Lady of the Assumption and it is a very important day for the Armenian Catholic Community in Sydney. We invite all our Parishioners to join us in expressing our devotion to our Lady on her feast day. We must show our devotion to our Lady with our prayers and we must also thank her for another peaceful and problem free year within our community. This celebration has been the custom in our community for the past 25 years and this year is no exception.

Bazaar-Sunday August 13th

The Church council and the Ladies Auxiliary are organising another Bazaar this year to mark the abovementioned feast day and to be part of the celebrations on that day.

Many items of interest will be on display. We are sure they will arouse the curiosity of many an onlooker. The Ladies do this to help our church and they put a lot of work into it. You can be assured that every dollar spent on the day will go a long way in helping our humble church.

Also the Church Council and the Ladies are catering for the day and many delicious and assorted sweets and dishes will be offered. The main food items will be Shawerma and shish kebab to meet with everyone's tastes.

So come along and join us and say thanks to Our Lady of the Assumption patron of our church and also to show your support to your church and community.

Dinner Dance

On Saturday 22nd July 2006, the Annual Dinner Dance celebrating the Feast of our Lady of the Assumption was held at the **New Westella reception Lounge** at Lidcombe. As usual, similar to previous years it was a great success.

The response from our parishioners and friends was fantastic and all present had a wonderful time until the early hours of the morning. The Atmosphere was very family like and it provided a great opportunity for many to meet old friends. Everyone enjoyed themselves, whilst dancing and listening to the fabulous voice of **Lucine** and her one man band. The Patrons were also entertained by Mr Alex Hadshiti, thanks to the efforts of Mr George Shad.

The lounge was fantastically decorated and the food and service was excellent. The raffles and the auction went very well and the proceeds from the evening were very encouraging and will no doubt help our beloved church.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank wholeheartedly all those people involved behind the scenes who contributed in making the evening a great success. **We would like to thank in a special way Mr Kaylar, for stepping in as auctioneer on short notice and all those who have donated cash and prize items for the raffles and auction.**

www.armeniancatholic.org.au “New Web” site

It has been our intention to have a Web Site on the internet for our church and community, but due to lack of funds and other priorities within the church forced us to delay the introduction of this important facility.

However thanks to one particular member within our community, in Mr Tony Boladian, we are at the threshold of introducing this facility within the next two weeks. Mr Boladian being an expert in this field has volunteered to design and install this new “web site” gratis.

The Church council and Fr Basil wish to thank Mr Tony Boladian publicly for this generous gesture and immense contribution for thrusting our church and our community well and truly into the 21st century.

A special announcement will be made in the very near future when the “Web Site address” is officially registered and active.

Der Garabed Tateossian is going to be ordained a priest

On Saturday, July 1st 2006, at 6:00 pm, Der Garabed Tateossian is going to be ordained a priest in the "Sourp Perguitch" church, by the hands of His Beatitude Nerses Bedros XIX, Catholicos Patriarch of the See of Cilicia of the Armenian Catholics, on the occasion of the celebration of "Kud Neshkharats of our father Gregory the Illuminator".

Father Garabed Tateossian was born in 1958 in Bourj Hamoud. He married Silva Meguerditchian in 1983 and has 3 children: 2 daughters and 1 son. He has completed his studies in Philosophy and Theology at the Kaslik and Andonian Universities.

Fr Basil's trip overseas

Dear parishioners Fr basil will be departing for Syria. He will be away for five weeks to be with his family. He may also attend the bishops conference in Beirut should the situation in Lebanon improve by that time. However this looks unlikely at this stage.

We may have two priests standing in for him during his absence; however we will have the Holy Mass on Sundays as usual.

We take this opportunity to wish him a safe and a pleasant trip and we hope that the five weeks will pass very quickly so that he can be with us once again safe and sound.

Baptism

08.07.06 Elisa daughter of Kevork & Gayane Benlian

22.07.06 Serena Daughter of George & Jessy Madfouni

DONATION TO THE CHURCH

\$ 1000: Mr & Mrs Yousef Wazir,

Robert & Tsolair & Talar Jeghelian,

\$ 750: Mr Zohrab Keverian & Family,

\$ 500: Mr & Mrs Abdoulahad Madfouni,

Mr Harout Zaitounian & Family, Mr Zohrab Zaitounian & Family, Mr Simon Zaitounian & Family

\$ 300: Mr & Mrs Hagop Guvlekjian,

Mr & Mrs George Shad

\$ 250: Mr & Mrs Onnig Jeghelian.

\$ 200: Zaitounian Brothers, Mr Nerses Barsoumian

& Family, Mr Alphonse Diodati & Family, James & Elie Nol

\$ 150: Mr Frank Nashaty & Family

\$ 125: Mr Bedros Sinian & Son, Mrs Beatrice Bedan,

\$ 120: Mr & Mrs Antoine Menzagopian,

\$ 100: Mr Edouard Georgeflie, Mrs Emily Hanoun & Family,

Mrs Adiba Barekhan & Family, Miss Carla Qasabian.

\$ 65: Mr Peter Gardner & Family,

\$ 50: Mrs Angel Philibossian

\$ 30: Mr Harout Babayan

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YESTER JEANKOULIAN

\$ 50: Sana Hechme

\$ 25: Harry & Nawal Asmar.

\$ 20: Ibrahim Comert, Sarkis & Jeanette Misislian

\$ 15: Basil & Marsil Asmar, Joseph & Rose Kaikati

\$ 10: Antoinette Balamond

\$ 5: Z. Cividvski

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PERFORMING ART CENTRE
Holtzman Street (off Willoughby Road),
Crows Nest
Թվական:
Ապրիլի, Սեպտեմբեր 3, 2006
Երեկոյան ժամը 6.30- ին

Մուտքի նվեր: \$15,
մինչև 16 տարեկան, \$10

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