

St. Mary, Queen of Peace

Syro-Malankara Catholic Eparchy in the USA and Canada

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Circular 1-2021

Dear Rev. Corepiscopi, Rev. Fathers and Religious Sisters, and the faithful in Christ,

Cordial greetings to you in the name of the Triune God. I wish you all a blessed 2021. May the Good Lord be with you at every moment of your life.

I wish to communicate the following matters:

- 1. I will be in India for 6 weeks from January 14, 2021. The purposes of my visit are to ordain a new priest for our Eparchy, to attend the Malankara Catholic Episcopal Synod, and to renew my U.S. Visa.
- 2. The Priestly Ordination of Deacon Varghese Anchanithadathil will be held on February 2, 2021, at Christ the King Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, Chethonkara, Ranni. Kindly pray for the blessings of this Ordination and First Holy Qurbono, which will be held on the same day.
- 3. Kindly remind our faithful to respond to the Pastoral Center Appeal which has been sent out to all the families of our Eparchy. Please ensure that they have received the Appeal and encourage them to participate in this mission of our Eparchy. In case we need to resend the Appeal, please contact Rev. Fr. Noby Ayyaneth or Rev. Fr. Jobin Thomas. We will close the purchase agreement immediately upon receiving approval from the New York State Attorney General's office.
- 4. Rev. Fr. Jobin Thomas is appointed as the Associate Finance Officer of our Eparchy.
- Malankara Catholic TV (https://www.youtube.com/c/MalankaraCatholicTV) will be broadcasting the Holy Qurbono from our Cathedral on Sunday, January 17 at 8:25 AM Indian Time.
- **6.** During my absence, please contact Rt. Rev. Msgr. Augustine Mangalath Corepiscopo for Eparchial matters and Rev. Fr. Noby Ayyaneth or Rev. Fr. Jobin Thomas for Chancery Office matters.

Let us remain united in prayer during this crisis period of pandemic and strengthen each other and place our total trust in the Lord.

With prayerful best wishes,

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