In the blessed name of the Tri-une God, Self-existent, Beginningless and Endless, Perfect in Being, (Glory be to Him) Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Mathews III Catholicos of the East and Malankara Metropolitan enthroned on the Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas



No. MOSC/CMM/285/2022

Blessings to our beloved vicars, priests of the locality, *kaisthanees* and all faithful of our Southwest American Diocese

Dearly beloved,

Your attention is invited to our Kalpana No. 107/2022, dated 23rd March exhorting to celebrate Catholicate Day befittingly and to plan Catholicate Day Collections in a phased manner so as to increase the collection than that of previous years. We hope that Catholicate Day Collections and Raseessa Collections might have been completed successfully in accordance with the instructions and guidelines conveyed. We would like to receive in person the amount so collected in the Diocesan level meetings arranged for the purpose. Each family shall contribute a minimum of their average income for one day. We exhort our vicars and *kaisthanees* (Trusty) of each parish to take special efforts to give the target amount from your parish. In order to avoid complications due to the FCRA rules of India, you may pay the cheque in favour of the 'Southwest American Diocese' and mark memo as Catholicate Day Collection 2022, so that we can get it as one cheque from the diocese.

The diocesan level meetings of the Diocese of Southwest America is scheduled to be held at St. Thomas Orthodox Cathedral, Houston on September 20 and at St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, Tampa on September 21. Priests, *kaisthanees* & secretaries of all parishes shall attend the meeting and mark their presence by recording their name and signature in the attendance register maintained for the purpose. Representatives of spiritual organisations as well as other well wishers from that parish also can attend the meeting. All your efforts shall be taken to give more than the target amount from that parish. There is no doubt that the children of Malankara Sabha love their Church and have great concern for the Church and are keen enough to give the tithe. You shall be committed to keep up this tradition. You have to pray for the Church, for Us and for all our beloved Metropolitans.

The grace and blessings of God Almighty abide with you forever. May the prayers of the Mother of our God the Holy Virgin Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle of India, our Holy Fathers Yeldo Mar Baselios, Mar Gregorios, Mar Dionysius and all the Holy Saints be a stronghold for us. Amen.

Our Father who art in Heaven

From Catholicate Aramana Devalokam, Kottayam, Kerala, India on 20th August, 2022 **Baselios Marthoma Mathews III**