

Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

(Catholicate of the East)

Diocese of South-West America

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Blessings to all our Chor-Episcopoi, Priests, Deacons, Parish Managing Committee members, and all the faithful, especially the members of the Sunday School Association.

Sunday School is the most important and vital spiritual organization of our Church since it moulds the future generation. We praise God along with you for the consistent development in the growth of the Sunday School organization. It is evident that how much we think and care for our children is the criteria for the fruit we receive from them. The efforts and energy we contribute to the Sunday school will surely be greatly rewarded.

This year, Sunday School Day will be celebrated on Sunday, December 5th, the day in which we commemorate the birth of St. John the Baptist. On this day, all parishes should remember the Sunday School during the Holy Qurbana and offer a special prayer for the Sunday School of our Church. All parish units should celebrate this day in a suitable manner, and the Vicars, principals and teachers should take leadership to organize the celebrations. Like previous years, one of the students of the Sunday School should give the sermon for the day.

A special collection should be made on Sunday School Day. This amount along with the offertory collected on that Sunday should be sent to the Diocesan Center. Last year, there are parishes not participated in the collection. Please be aware that this is the only source of income for the Sunday School of our Diocese. The total amount collected from all parishes will be divided for three purposes: the Central Sunday School Office in Kottayam, Diocesan Sunday School activities, and to support both regional and unit level activities.

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We appreciate the leadership of our respected Achen, the dedicated service of our Sunday School teachers, and the support of our parents. We exhort all of you to pray for the Sunday School, that it may grow to serve its purpose in providing for the spiritual needs of our children.

May the blessings of God Almighty be showered upon us all.

Your Shepherd in Christ,



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