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Blessings to all our dearly beloved Vicars, Assistant Vicars, Parish Managing Committee members and all the faithful of our parishes of the Diocese of South-West America!

Dearly beloved,

As we have previously informed you, the 2019 Diocesan Family & Youth Conference will be held in Chicago from July 17-20, 2019. The Conference Committee continues to work to ensure this event is a blessed and memorable occasion. As the diocese also celebrates its 10th year anniversary, a commemorative souvenir and reference book will be published and released at the conference featuring all the parishes and congregations of our diocese to reflect on the history and growth of our communities over the years.

As we celebrate the 10th year anniversary of our diocese and work to publish this commemorative souvenir, each parish and congregation will have a dedicated sheet in the book (2 pages, front and back) and will be expected to contribute a share based on its total membership. The following is the summary of the contribution share for all parishes and congregations of our diocese based on total membership:

# of Families	Contribution Amount
0-9	\$500.00
10-24	\$750.00
25-49	\$1,000.00
50-74	\$1,500.00
75-99	\$1,750.00
100-149	\$2,500.00
150-199	\$3,000.00
200+	\$3,500.00

All parishes are instructed to include their respective share in their annual parish budget or to revise the budget to include it for our final approval. Each parish should also prepare their sheet for publication according to the guidelines that will be communicated in the coming months by the conference committee and submit it in time for publication. We seek the ongoing cooperation and support of all our clergy and laity to make this year's conference and 10th year anniversary a blessed occasion as we focus our attention to this year's conference theme: "Let us rise up and rebuild" (Nehemiah 2:18).

May the love of God the Father, grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all forever and ever!

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On February 12, 2019

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