MALANKARA ORTHODOX SYRIAN CHURCH DIOCESE OF SOUTH-WEST AMERICA

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Blessings to our dearly beloved Cor-Episcopoi, Vicars, Priests of the locality, Deacons, and all the faithful of the South Region of our Diocese.

Dearly Beloved,

We hope and pray that you all are having a blessed Feast of the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos, the Ever-Virgin Mary the Mother of God. As you all know we are blessed to have our Malankara Metropolitan and the Catholicos of the East His Holiness Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Mathews III and also the Diocesan Metropolitan of the South-West American Diocese will be making his maiden Apostolic visit to the South Region on September 19, 2022. In order to plan and successfully organize this trip, we hope to have a joint meeting of all the clergy, assembly members, association members, as well as the secretaries and trustees of each parish of the South Region via Zoom on August 9, 2022 at 8 PM, Central Standard Time (CST). The zoom details will be shared prior to the meeting via WhatsApp. We will be presiding over this meeting, along with the newly formed Diocesan Council.

The tentative schedule of H.H is the following:

September 19, 2022: H.H arrives in Houston at IAH Airport

September 20, 2022: Morning Holy Qurbana at the Ureshlem Aramana Chapel

September 20, 2022: Evening Prayer followed by a public meeting at St. Thomas Cathedral, Houston, TX.

September 21, 2022: H.H will fly to Tampa, FL

September 22, 2022: H.H will depart to NY

We are confident that the churches within the South Region will enthusiastically participate and ensure that His Holiness has a grand reception upon his arrival. We humbly and fervently request your prayers for the safe arrival of our Holy Father.

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

Metr. Dr. Zacharias Mar Aprem

From Sreyas Aramana

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Feast of Transfiguration, 2022