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Blessings to the Cor-Episcopoi, Priests, Deacons, office bearers, and all the faithful of our Diocese.

Dearly Beloved,

We are pleased to inform you that the 2012 Diocesan Family & Youth Conference will take place from Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> thru Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the HYATT REGENCY, Bonaventure, Weston, Florida. Since the Diocesan family conference is held only once every three years, there will be no regional family conferences conducted this year.

This conference will accommodate the needs of all members of the family through worship, theme exposition, group discussions, Bible study, workshops, and fellowship while providing the opportunity to meet new people from across North America, strengthening our faith, and offering new perspectives on our personal lives, community, and our church. This year marks the 100 year anniversary since the establishment of the Catholicate in India, and the conference will provide for an opportunity to celebrate this occasion as a diocese. It will also be an opportunity for families to tour and enjoy the city of Miami. considering the location of the conference is close to the airport and city.

The conference committee is working to cater to all the different age groups according to their specific interest and needs. Rev. Fr. Dr. K.M. George (Principal, Orthodox Theological Seminary, Kottayam) will be leading the conference along with other guest speakers and our own priests, deacons, and seminarians of our diocese. The conference theme for this year is taken from St. Paul's letter to the Romans, **"Do not be conformed any longer to the patterns of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:2).**

The registration material including forms, flyers, and brochures will be made available online and distributed to each parish with the details of the conference. We hope to see the maximum participation from all parishes in our diocese.



We urge everyone to cooperate with the different committees working under the leadership of Rev. Fr. George Daniel (Diocesan Family Conference Director). There are Regional and area level coordinators nominated to make sure the participation of maximum members from all the areas. The success of any conference depends greatly on the prayerful participation of individuals and families. Please uphold the conference in your prayers and lend your support by registering early. We look forward to seeing you all in Florida this summer.

May the Triune God bless you and grant you a peaceful and prosperous life.

Your Shepherd in Christ,

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