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Blessings to our respected Vicars, Cor-Episcopoi, Ramban, Deacons, Parish Managing Committee members, MGOCSM leaders and members, and all the faithful of the Diocese of Southwest America!

“Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity” (1 Timothy 4:12).

Dearly Beloved,

It is with great joy that we announce the relaunch of the Diocesan MGOCSM Leadership Camp. As you all know, the Leadership Camp has played a pivotal role in the formation and growth of MGOCSM leaders across our parishes, regions, and throughout our Diocese.

By the grace of God, this year’s MGOCSM Leadership Camp will be held from **Friday, December 26, 2025, through Monday, December 29, 2025, in Detroit, Michigan**. The Leadership Camp provides an opportunity for our youth to deepen their Orthodox faith, develop essential leadership skills, and promote unity throughout our Diocese.

We hereby confirm the following as members of the 2025 Leadership Camp of Detroit:

Spiritual Advisor – Rev. Fr. Shawn Thomas

Convener – Ms. Elizabeth Antony

Committee Members

- Mr. Abi Varghese
- Mr. Alan Jose
- Ms. Anne Joseph
- Mr. Jake Chandy
- Mr. Jinu Mathew
- Mr. Kevin Jose
- Mrs. Lisa Varghese
- Mr. Libin Vaidyan
- Mr. Melvin Thomas
- Mrs. Nithya Abraham
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- Mr. Snehith John
 - Mr. Stanley Thomas

We kindly encourage each parish to support the Leadership Camp both spiritually and financially through fervent prayers, active participation in fundraising efforts, and by allocating parish funds to assist designated representatives in attending the Leadership Camp.

We seek the full cooperation of all clergy and parish managing committees with the appointed 2025 Leadership Camp Committee so that all preparations may proceed smoothly and that we may be blessed with a fruitful and successful Leadership Camp in Detroit.

Finally, we earnestly seek the prayers of all the faithful, especially our MGOCSM members, for the success of this blessed endeavor. May the intercessions of St. Gregorios of Parumala, the patron saint of the MGOCSM, be a stronghold for us all.

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

Urshlem Aramana, Beasley
July 22, 2025

Metropolitan Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios