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Blessings to the respected Vicars of the Parishes, Priests of the locality, Cor-Episcopoi, Ramban, Deacons, Kaisthanees, and beloved faithful in the Diocese of South-West America.

**Dearly Beloved in Christ,**

The Prophet Isaiah says, “*A voice of one calling: 'In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God'*” (Isaiah 40:3). Because of the busyness of our lives and the constant stream of noise throughout the day, it can be difficult to hear the voice of our Lord speaking to us; however, Holy Scripture assures us that the Good Shepherd is always calling His sheep. We hope to assist our faithful in hearing the voice of the Good Shepherd by setting aside time away from the world's noise and dedicating ourselves in a moment of retreat focused on Christ.

We are filled with joy and pride to hear that the Bible Study series titled “The Voice Calling in the Wilderness,” held every Thursday at 8:00 PM CST via Zoom, is a source of inspiration and spiritual strength to all of our faithful.

Through this Kalpana, we hereby relieve Rev. Fr. Immanuel (Amal) Punnoose and appoint Rev. Fr. Diju Skariah as the new co-ordinator, effective from August 01, 2025, until further orders. We take this time to thank the services and hardwork of Rev. Fr. Immanuel (Amal) Punnoose, who helped coordinate this ministry. And who helped many youngsters, and the participants reflect on their spiritual journey in Jesus Christ.

Let us walk together on that path prepared before us by the prophets, the apostles, and our forefathers who have led us to Christ. We pray that this ministry will also give voice to each of you, so that we may turn towards Him every day of our lives.

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 25, 2025**

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