



**ST. MARY QUEEN OF PEACE
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Dear Rt. Rev. Corepiscopoi, Rev. Fathers, Rev. Sisters and Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Cordial Greetings!

We thank God for His marvelous Providence in keeping our families and communities safe during this period of crisis due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Let us continue to pray for the healing and wellness of the entire world. By the Grace of God our Eparchy has been fulfilling its mission despite various adversities. I wish to share with you some important communications.

1. Our **“Eparchial Day 2021”** will be held on **Saturday, October 23, 2021**, at our Cathedral in Elmont. It will start at 9 AM with a Thanksgiving Holy Qurbano, followed by the Eparchial Pastoral Council meeting (“Hybrid” meeting). On this occasion we shall have an Eparchial level inauguration on the sharing of the theme of **“For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission,”** which is to be held in the universal church in 2023 in Rome.
2. The updates and development of the proposed Pastoral Center and the future pastoral planning of our Eparchy would be the main agenda of the Pastoral Council. Once again, I extend our deep appreciation to all who contributed towards the Pastoral Center.
3. Rev. Fr. Noby Ayyaneth is appointed the Director of the newly designated Eparchial Pastoral Center.
4. **A new convent of the “Daughters of Mary”** will be dedicated and inaugurated on **November 14, 2021, in Houston, Texas**. The Rev. Sisters will be serving our Parish in Houston. We extend a hearty welcome to the Rev. Sisters.
5. **“A Day of Prayer for Our Families”** will be held on **October 30th, 2021**, led by our Eparchial Family Apostolate. Details will be communicated by its Director, Rev. Fr. Michael Edathil. Kindly extend generous co-operation and participation in this regard.



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- 6. The next Marriage Preparation Course in our Eparchy is planned to be held in person on March 26 & 27, 2022 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York.** Kindly encourage and promote our young people to attend this important Course and to be registered with the Director of the Family Apostolate.
- 7. Please ensure to conduct the Annual auditing of the accounts of the parishes and their presentation in the General Body meeting, and the election of the parish council and office bearers before the end of December 2021 and submit them to the Chancery for approval. Please remember to elect the new Pastoral Council members for the period of 2022 – 2024, from your respective parishes.**
- 8. Please find annexed the names of the newly constituted board members of MCCL, Catechism, MCYM and Family Apostolate of our Eparchy. We appreciate their leadership and services.**

Kindly communicate the content of this circular to all the parishioners.

Wishing you a blessed Season of *Qudos Eetho* – The Sanctification and Renewal of our personal life and of the Church,

In Jesus Christ,

+ Philipos Mar Stephanos

Dated: October 14, 2021



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