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SOCIAL COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA APOSTOLATE

My dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,

Life in the modern world is very much directed and facilitated by the media of different formats. Consequently, they affect and, to a great extent, mould our opinions as well as convictions on life and life situations. Therefore, Church, as always, welcomes and promotes the use of Media for the fruition of her mission and ministries. Analysing from this background, I appreciate and thank our Eparchial Commission for Social Communication and Media Apostolate for their contextual intervention in the evangelization of our people very specially during this time of pandemic. It is quite sure that a good number of the faithful across the world benefitted from our media during this difficult time.

However, sometimes it is observed that a more fruitful and healthy coordination for the Media Commission shall be made possible at the Parish/Mission/Proposed Mission level and thus to expand and explore the possibilities of the growth of the ministry of evangelization through Media in a more systematic and organized way. Hence, it is befitting that there shall be a representative for Commission for Social Communication and Media Apostolate from every parish/mission/proposed mission of the Eparchy. The priest-in-charge of the community shall identify a person suitable for this ministry and this representative becomes the link between the parish/mission/proposed mission and the Commission. They shall bring the media to our local community and vice versa. Thus, an increasing number of participation from the local level shall be ensured in the programmes of the Commission. The name and contact details of the representative shall be given to Rev. Fr. Tomy Adattu, Chairman of Commission for Social Communication and Media Apostolate, before 20th September 2020.

Further to this, I also ask you to view and subscribe our youtube channel (CSMEGB) and at the same time to recommend your families, friends and others to do the same.

Yours in our Lord and our God,

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