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Parish Year 2021-2022

My dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,

My prayerful greetings of the Christmastide and the great Feast of *Denha*. In this great season, I wish to remind you that we have entered the fifth year of the first Five-Year Plan of our Eparchy. From 28 Nov 2021 to 27 November 2022 was declared as the Parish Year. This year is specially dedicated for the formation of the Parishes. As bishop of a new Eparchy, it is my duty to organise the people entrusted to my care under the Canonical structures of the Church in order to render better service and pastoral care to the faithful. In the past four years of our first Five-Year plan, we have been focusing on pastoral care of children, youth, couples and families. I thank you for the support that you have rendered to accomplish this task. Though it was not easy, for a better pastoral care, I have successfully made available the service of 54 Syro-Malabar priests in our Eparchy. In 2018 after due consultation with priests and the faithful 73 Proposed Missions were declared in the Eparchy. The Proposed Missions were established in view to grow as Parishes with their own parish priests and parish churches. Meantime, at the request of the faithful few more Proposed Missions were permitted. It is by becoming members of a parish that the faithful will benefit all the ecclesiastical privileges and services. At present in our Eparchy we have 3 Parishes, 41 Missions and 36 Proposed Missions.

This parish year is dedicated to understand the difficulties faced by our centres in their parish formation and to support them in achieving this goal. Parish formation is the foundation for the coming Five-Year plan and of the future of our Eparchy. I have constituted a Parish Year Coordinating Committee consisting of 10 priests and 16 laymen. Very Rev Fr Jino Arikkatt MCBS is the Syncellus in charge of this Parish year and Rev Dr Mathew Pinakakttu, Chancellor is the Coordinator. The Coordinating Committee will contact each Parish/Mission/Proposed Mission on a regular basis throughout the year on my behalf.

Let us be open to the plan of God for this Eparchy. We are a blessed Eparchy in Europe with around more than 50000 young people who have experienced God in their lives. As we read in the Gospel, 'we are called to be the light of the World' (Mt 5, 14). Reflecting on the Call we have received, I am certain that this parish year is the prime time to build up our foundation. Each and everyone in the Eparchy need to get all the ecclesial treasures. At present the Parishes and Missions get better service compared to the Proposed Missions. Therefore, the Proposed Missions

too have to be organised with regular Holy Qurbana, Catechesis, Family Unit prayer etc. This is possible only if we adhere to the norms of the land and of the Church. We are a registered Charity (CIO) under the Charity Commission. Therefore, any event conducted in any unit of this Eparchy should be regulated by Charity Law and Canon Law.

Building up of a new Eparchy in this country is a challenge. I am, however, confident that the Parish Year Coordinating Committee will make it happen. I thank all members of the Coordinating Committee for their volunteer service to help me in this process. I invite the cooperation of all the priests and the faithful of this Eparchy in the building up of the Eparchy in this Parish Year.

Please find attached the names and contact numbers of priests and lay faithful who are in charge of the eight regions of our Eparchy.

Wishing you all a Blessed New Year 2022.

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you all abundantly!

Yours in our Lord and our God,

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NB: The content of this circular must be communicated in all the Parishes/Missions/Proposed Missions during the celebration of the Holy *Qurbana* before 30th January 2022.

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| Patron | Mar Joseph Srampicka | | |
| Syncellus in Charge | V Rev Fr Jino Arikkatt MCBS | | |
| Coordinator | Rev Dr Mathew Pinakkattu | | |
| Secretary | Dr Mano Joseph | | St Benedict Mission, Saltley |
| REGIONS | NAME | CONTACT NUMBER | PARISH/ MISSION |
| PRESTON | Rev Dr Babu Puthenprackal | 7703422395 | St Alphonsa of the Immaculate Conception Cathedral, Preston |
| | Mr Romils Mathew | 7919988064 | Our Lady Queen of Peace Syro-Malabar Parish, Liverpool |
| | Mr John Kurian | 779155556 | St Mary's and St Wilfrid's Syro-Malabar Parish, Leeds. |
| MANCHESTER | Rev Dr John Pulinthanathu | 7880321694 | St. Euphrasia Mission, Salford |
| | Adv Jackson Thomas | 7403863777 | St. Euphrasia Mission, Salford |
| | Mr Bobby Augustine | 7824716804 | St Thomas The Apostle Mission, Manchester |

| GLASGOW | Rev Fr Binu Kizhakkeelamthottam CMF | 7484266802 | St Thomas Mission, Glasgow |
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| | Mr Alex Mathew | 7832095596 | St Thomas Mission, Glasgow |
| | Mr Jimmy Joseph | 7400661166 | St Mary's Mission, Hamilton |
| COVENTRY | Rev Fr Joby Edavazhickal | 7436941750 | St John Mission, Nottingham |
| | Mr Joy Thomas Aerath | 7917866334 | St Joseph Mission, Coventry |
| | Dr Mano Joseph | 7886639908 | St Benedict Mission, Saltley |
| CAMBRIDGE | Rev Fr Mathew Mundunadackal | 7518 970786 | Our Lady of Lourdes Mission, Peterborough |
| | Mr Jijo Sebastian Pinakkattu | 7859213115 | St Alphonsa Mission, Ipswich |
| | Mr Byju Joseph | 7846450451 | St Thomas Mission, Northampton |
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| LONDON | Rev Fr Joseph Mukkatt | 7859924399 | Our Lady and St. George Catholic Church, Walthamstow |
| | Mr Babichan Manianchira | 7912945852 | Mar Sleeva Mission, Ashford |
| | Mr Vino Mathew | 7753843541 | Vino Mathew Mary Immaculate Mission, Basildon, London |
| BRISTOL – CARDIFF | Rev Fr Fanzwa Pathil | 7309049040 | St Thomas Proposed Mission, Cardiff |
| | Dr Jossy Mathew | 7916334280 | St Thomas Proposed Mission, Cardiff |
| | Mr Jomy Johny | 7753821192 | St Thomas Mission, Bristol |
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| SOUTHAMPTON | Rev Dr Kuriakose | 7446989969 | St Augustine Proposed |
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| | Ambazhathinal | | Mission, Basingstoke |
| | Mr Toy Joseph | 7868810721 | Our Lady of The Nativity |
| | | | Mission, Portsmouth |
| | Mr Mathew Thomas | 7886097971 | St Catherine's Proposed |
| | Kumarakom | | Mission, Littlehampton |
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