



# The Northeast American Diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

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By the Grace of God,  
Zachariah Mar Nicholovos,  
Diocesan Metropolitan

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Blessings to Vicars, Assistant Vicars, and faithful of the Northeast American Diocese.

Dearly beloved,

The heart and expression of our precious Orthodox Christian Faith is found in the liturgical worship of our Holy Church. We are grateful to find the talent and dedication of the liturgical choirs throughout almost all the parishes of the Diocese, who assist in the divine worship services.

It is our sincere desire to promote a sense of unity, education, and etiquette when it comes to the liturgical worship services in all parishes of the Diocese. As the Diocese is blessed to have the presence of Rev. Fr. M. P. George, Director of SRUTHI School of Liturgical Music, we will be conducting a Liturgical Music workshop on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 2PM to 6PM at St. Gregorios Orthodox Church of Queens, New York (98/ Elmont Road, North Valley Stream, New York), under his leadership.

For more information please contact the Chancery at (718) 470 9844 or Very Rev. Yesudasan Pappan Chor Episcopos, Vicar of the host parish at (718) 934 1636.

We anticipate the strong support and assistance of all our Vicars to ensure that maximum number of choir members from each parish, to participate in the rare workshop. Each participant would pay a nominal fee of \$5 to cover necessary expenses of the workshop. Rev. Fr. M. P. George is an expert and master of liturgical music, especially within our West Syriac Liturgical Tradition, and we hope this workshop will be made useful by all of our parishes.

The anticipated wholehearted support for this workshop and of all our parishes in this workshop, would not only enhance our parish worship life, but also help educate and institute some proper and necessary guidelines in our liturgical worship. This will ensure a more heavenly and meditative liturgical worship services throughout our parishes, which will ultimately create a spiritual awakening in the life of our Diocese.

Yours in our Lord.

Zachariah Nicholovos Metropolitan