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Dated 24 October 2015

Dear Father,

Sub: Emergency Priests' Conference on 1 November 2015

Greetings from Bishop's House Thuckalay!

As you are aware, the Mission League is organizing its Annual Rally on 1 November 2015. The Rally begins from Annikarai at 2.00 pm and ends at Padanthalumoodu at 4.00 pm. Besides all the Mission League Children, I expect the participation of all the Fathers from the Diocese for this Rally. Given the present socio-political situation and the fact that the event is a public one, it is important that we express our solidarity and lend support for the success of this programme by our active participation. Hence, I request you to cancel all your planned pastoral activities (if any) after 1.00 pm on 1 November and take part in the Rally.

Making use of this opportunity, I thought of convening an emergency Priests' Conference on the same day soon after the conclusion of the Rally at Padanthalumoodu around 4.30 pm. We have some important programmes coming up at the Diocesan level and we need to prepare well for them. The agenda of the Conference are as follows:

- 1. 19<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Day Celebration Cum Jubilee of Syro-Malabar Extension to South India
- 2. Diocesan Convention
- 3. Inauguration of the new College building
- 4. Priestly Ordination of Rev. Deacon Rito Thoombunkal
- 5. Varia

Since the Rally and the forthcoming events in the Diocese affect all of us, both at the Parish level as well as at the Diocesan level, I solicit your active presence on 1 November 2015 from 2.00 pm onwards.

Praying for you and for your personal intentions.

Thank you,

Yours in Christ.

+ George Rajendran sdb Bishop of Thuckalay

Note: 1. The Priests' Conference scheduled for 10 November stands cancelled

2. Vehicles will be arranged for those who are unable to walk during the Rally