



You may, of course, make and keep a copy of any such original records which you deliver, and you will not be denied access to them in the future after delivery. If there are any records of the diocese located on any of the church premises, you must advise of their description and location. The Church has retained Robert Sturges Esq, as our attorney and representative. You are to deliver the aforementioned documents and records directly to Mr. Sturges at his address, 1960 the Alameda, Ste. 230 San Jose, CA. 95126. Mr. Sturges will receive them, and a suitable place for their retention after their delivery will be found.

The Synod has appointed an investigative committee, and we will appoint an interim or acting Bishop in the near future. The services of Rev. Samuel Dinkha and Rev Michael Baroota are no longer required in the Parish of San Jose (Mar Yosip Church). While Archdeacon Ninos Michael of the San Francisco Parish, Rev Oshana Kanon of the Ceres Parish, as well as the Seattle Parish priests and staff will continue to serve at the pleasure of the acting Bishop. It is not within your power to remove any staff or employee. There can be no further loans or transfers of church owned property, whether standing in your name or that of the church's. There must be no removal of church records, equipment, symbols, or property of any kind from the San Jose or any other Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian church of the East previously under your jurisdiction.

Having said all of this, you will always find the Synod ready to listen to you concerning any matter. It will, however, be necessary that you complete the surrender of these records, deeds, papers and monies no later than 12:00 PM, Wednesday, 30th November 2005.

May the Grace of our Lord be with you,
Issued by the Holy Synod's Decree

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+ *Narsai*

Mar Narsai De Baz
Metropolitan of Lebanon
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+ *Meeis Zaia*

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