Dear Colleague,

You must have already prepared yourself to travel to Verapoly for our Annual Conference to be held from Monday 16th October 3.30 pm to Friday 20th October 2023 noon at Ashirbhavan (Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Verapoly), at Verapoly.

The Theme of the Conference is: “MARRIAGE AND TRIBUNAL PRACTICE”

The Executive Committee of the CLSI along with the Local Organizing Team (LOT) headed by Rev. Fr Ebigin Arackal, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Verapoly, has been working tirelessly to put the final touches for the upcoming Conference. Our Founder and Patron His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias will not be present with us because of the forthcoming Synod in Rome. Most Rev. Dr Joseph Kalathiparambil, Archbishop of Verapoly has accepted to inaugurate the Conference. A few dignitaries have been invited to be guests at the Inaugural session.

The Conference Fees will be Rs. 3500/- and the Registration Fees (non refundable) will be Rs. 500/- per participant. The attached Registration Form duly and completely filled in along with the registration fees of Rs. 500/- favouring “THE CANON LAW SOCIETY OF INDIA” payable at Kolkata is to be sent to Fr. Raju, the Treasurer of CLSI. The Conference fees of Rs. 3500/- could be paid in cash at the venue. Kindly remember that neither the Local Organizers nor the Executive Committee members of the CLSI will accept the Registration for the Conference except the Treasurer, Fr. Raju Santhanam. His postal address is: St Patrick’s Church, 1, Mangal Pandey Road, Dum Dum, KOLKATA-700 028. E-mail: fr.raajjoo@gmail.com Cell: +91-98306 44543. The filled in Registration Form along with the proof of the Registration fees of Rs. 500/- remitted, have to reach the Treasurer before August 31, 2023. Kindly forward this entire email to our members so also to canonists you have known, if they have not received the information. All the members of the CLSI, and only those who have a degree in Canon Law are eligible to participate in the Annual Conference.

We have booked the entire Pastoral Centre and the nearby accommodations for our Conference from Monday October 16 morning to Friday 07, 2022 evening. But if you would reach a bit early or leave the venue a bit late because of the arrival/departure of your bus/train/flight, kindly mention it in the Registration Form. The Registration at the Venue will begin on Monday 16, October at 9.00 am, the Inaugural Session will be at 3.30 pm & the first presentation (key-note address) will be at 5.45 pm; and the Conference will end on Friday with lunch at 12.00 noon.

The Pastoral Institute has both single & two-beds occupancy. Accommodation will be allotted by the Treasurer on ‘first come first served’ basis.

HOW TO REACH the Ashirbhavan Pastoral Centre, Kacheripady, Ernakulam?
On the Google maps with ‘Ashirbhavan, Kacheripady, Ernakulam’ you get the location.

BY AIR: The Cochin International Airport, Nedumbassery is at a distance of 28 kms.

BY TRAIN: (1) The Ernakulam Town (North) Railway Station is at a distance only of 850 meters; and (2) the Ernakulam Junction (South) Railway Station is at a distance of 3 kms.

BY BUS: The KSRTC Bus Station is at a distance of around 2 kms.

Long Distance Private Buses stop at Kacheripady, Ernakulam near Ashirbhavan. The Buses that pass only through the Bypass stop at Edappilly and the distance from there to Ashirbhavan, Kacheripady is 7 kms. Prepaid Taxis are available in the Airport and Prepaid Autos are available in the Railway Stations.

On your arrival at Ernakulam in an unlikely situation of you not able to locate the venue, you could please contact the following LOT members: Fr Ebigin Arackal: 9744459025 or Fr Lixon Aswez: 9741007304 or Fr. Francis D’Silva: 9447368402 or Fr Shine Jose Chilangara: 9074332175; and in case of SOS: Fr T. Lourdusamy (President-CLSI): 9449260536.

With every good wish
Yours sincerely
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Encl: Registration Form.