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Dear Reverend Fathers, SOYO advisors, parents and brothers and sisters in Christ,

Christ is in our midst! We hope this Lenten preparation be one of spiritual nourishment and joy for you. We are happy to announce that the Teens of our diocese, with the blessing of His Grace, Bishop ALEXANDER, will be hosting SOYO's second annual diocesan retreat from 12:30 AM, Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 PM, Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. **The theme is: Keeping it Real, Living our Faith in a Non-Orthodox World!**

The executives has been working very hard with God's Grace to put this event together for their brothers and sisters in Christ. The retreat will focus on strengthening the roots of our teens' faith through words of spiritual nourishment and prayer so that they may have the strength and knowledge to deal with today's worldly issues. We are blessed to have the Reverend Father Gregory Murphy as our guest speaker to lead the discussions on this particular topic.

An excellent and centrally located venue has been found in Montreal. The address of the center is: **Manoir d'Youville**, 498, boulevard d'Youville Île Saint-Bernard, Châteauguay Québec, Canada, J6J 5T9. If you have parents that are interested in attending this retreat, please have them contact Diala Habib at [diala.habib@gmail.com](mailto:diala.habib@gmail.com).

The charge is \$62.00 CDN per person including accommodations and food. For those in the United States, please make sure your children have passports, as this is currently a requirement to cross the US/Canada border. A lot of interest has already been generated and we are very excited about this retreat. **We please ask you to confirm the number of teens attending from your parish by March 15<sup>th</sup>**. Come and share a great fellowship and learn about your faith in a fun and interactive environment. We love you with of all our hearts and hope to see all of you there.

With love and in His service,

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