

**Ring our Church Bells every 3 O'clock
Circular 2008-10**

To: All Priests and Religious

The 3 O'clock Prayer, popularly known as the Divine Mercy Prayer to our lay people, is a devotion very popular to the lay people but taken for granted by priests and religious. It is in fact the last vestige of the traditional *oracion* of old, called Angelus. The 3 o'clock Prayer is a good addition or substitute to our Angelus and reminds man of his duty to give praise to his God. May I ask all Parish Priests and our chapel leaders to toll the bells at 3:00 pm starting July 25, 2008 and let us all join as a Diocese in the Angelus and/or the 3 O'clock Prayer? This is a request from your Bishop and I include here the PRAYER.

After the well attended Summit last July 9, 2008 at 7 to 9 pm at the Velasco Residence, I look forward in great expectation for your 10 lay people with their Pastor from each of our 59 Parishes of the Diocese on July 26, 2008 at the *Santuario de San Vicente de Paul* in Tandang Sora from 7:00 am to 12 noon.

Let us also show our Solidarity to the Prayer Rally at the UST Grounds on July 25, 2008 at 3:00 P.M. onwards which will culminate the CARAVAN for FAMILY and LIFE being organized by the Episcopal Commission on Family and Life to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of *Humanae Vitae*, Pope Paul VI's much criticized Encyclical in 1968 on Regulation of Birth. Each Parish may send an unlimited number of no less than 20 delegates to the UST Grounds with a color Green Dress Code for those from the Diocese of Novaliches. Let us show our force against the anti-life and anti-family propagandists in Congress and in our midst.

Given in the Chancery in Fairview, Quezon City, this 17th day of July in the Year of Our Lord, 2008.

Most Rev. Antonio R. Tobias, DD
Bishop

Attested by:

Rev. Fr. Jaime Z. Lara
Chancellor