

**The Grand Rosary Rally
Circular 2011-22**

To: The Parishes, Catholic Schools - Diocesan or Congregational, The Religious Congregations of Men and Women, and especially the Legionaries of Mary in the Diocese:

Even if we do not have Family Rosary Crusade in the Diocese, I ask our Pastors in all the sixty-two (62) Parishes and the Principals of Catholic Schools, whether Diocesan or Congregational, as well as the Local Religious Superiors of Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life and of Secular Institutes in the Diocese to participate in the **Grand Rosary Rally on Saturday, 8 October 2011 at 4:00 PM** at the **University of Sto. Tomas Quadrangle** to remember the First Rosary Rally in the Philippines in 1951 together with the then, and now Servant of God, Rev. Fr. Patrick Peyton, CSC.

I was 10 years old then and my late Uncle Priest – Rev. Fr. Crispin P. Rialubin – was in his first year of Ordination. Already then God in his Providence was engineering my vocation to the Priesthood for that year 1951 I was catechized as a boy by a Catechist, whom everyone then fondly called Ate Baby Hernandez. I became a Junior Legionary at Holy Family Parish in San Andres Bukid, Manila, under the late Fr. Jose E. Flores as the Parish Priest who encouraged me to enter the minor seminary in San Carlos which I did in June 1953. All these happened under the tutelage of our Blessed Mother Mary of the Holy Family. I was blessed as a child since then for blessings of “grace upon grace” started in 1951 for me.

It is in gratitude to this All Loving God that from 2 October 2011 I will go to a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Czestochowa in Poland and attend the **Canonization in Rome of Three Blessed Founders of Religious Congregations** that are in our Diocese on 23 October 2011. I will be back on 26 October 2011 bringing to the Diocese the blessings of Jesus of Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Czestochowa, and the three new Saints: namely **Blessed Luigi Guanella of the Servants of Charity**, **Blessed Guido Maria Conforti of the Xaverian Missionaries**, and **Blessed Sr. Bonifacia Rodriguez de Castro of the Siervas de San Jose**. In my absence, the Vicars General are in charge of the Diocese and our Chancellor, the Chancery.

Let us be one in prayer at the Grand Rosary Rally on 8 October 2011 at the UST Quadrangle as I bring you all in my heart in this Pilgrimage.

Given in the Chancery in Fairview, Quezon City, 9 September 2011.

Most Rev. Antonio R. Tobias, DD
Bishop

Attested by:

Rev. Fr. Jerome U. Rosalinda
Chancellor