Collections for Bohol Earthquakes and Super Typhoon Yolanda Circular 2013-22

To: All Parish Priests and Other Donors

I want to thank All Parishes and other Donors for their generous help given for the recent earthquakes in Bohol last 15 October and the Super Typhoon Yolanda that hit several Provinces in the South, especially Leyte, Eastern Samar, Ilo-Ilo, Capiz, Aklan, Antique, Biliran, Palawan, and Cebu.

Our Collections for Bohol Earthquakes amounted to PhP 1,073,579.85 as of 2 December 2013 and for Super Typhoon Yolanda to PhP 2,040,328.37 as of 2 December 2013.

Our Diocese is turning over to the following Dioceses the following amount from our collection for the two Dioceses in Bohol:

Tagbilaran
Talibon
PhP 700,000.00
PhP 373,579.85

From the goods in-kind given from the different parishes and BECs, and individual families of the Diocese in the aftermath of the Super Typhoon Yolanda, our Caritas Novaliches sent three (3) trucks-load of assorted goods to Tacloban and San Isidro, Biliran and another three (3) Trucks load of assorted goods from the Sto. Niño de Maligaya Shrine Community to Borongan, Eastern Samar. The great portion of the goods in-kind that could not be accommodated anymore in the three trucks sent were transported to Caritas Manila which will take charge of sending them to other places that would need still and in the future. But goods kept on arriving from our people and our Charity barn is filled up again.

As regards our help to the vast area of devastation by Super Typhoon Yolanda, after the 1st visit of our Caritas Novaliches Staff under the leadership of Fr. Luciano Felloni from 18-22 November to Tacloban and to Biliran, our Caritas Nova is suggesting that we concentrate our help for Rehabilitation to five (5) towns of Biliran Province under the Diocese of Naval. Fr. Luciano and our Vicar General Fr. Antonio E. Labiao are now in Biliran again since 3 December to bring another three (3) trucks load of Relief goods to these five (5) towns and hand over to the Pastors of those towns our Yolanda Collections. At the same time they will negotiate with the concerned people together with the Bishop there how best to help them in their Rehabilitation for the next months. From the looks of the present situation, our help can't stop at Relief Operation only but help these people rebuild their lives. We will

wait for Fr. Luciano and Fr. Tony for the latest update for our next step in this work of justice, and not only of charity.

Given in the Chancery in Fairview, Quezon City, 4 December 2013.

Most Rev. Antonio R. Tobias, DDBishop

Attested to by:

Rev. Fr. Reynaldo Percival S. Flores Chancellor