

**Visit of the Pilgrim Image of
Our Lady of the Abandoned
Circular 2014-07**

To: All Parish Priests, Principals of Diocesan Schools, and Local Superiors of Religious Institutions of Men and Women in the Diocese

The Parish of Our Lady of the Abandoned in Sta. Ana, Manila, is preparing for the celebration of the 300th anniversary of the arrival in the Philippines of the devotion to the Blessed Mother under the Titular *Nuestra Señora de los Desamparados*, which will culminate in May 2017.

The Parish Priests of Sta. Ana, Fr. Wilfredo S. Benito, has outlined a visit of the Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of the Abandoned (*Ina ng Walang Mag-ampon*) to the Dioceses and Parishes where the Franciscan Friars (OFM) are present. Fr. Willie Benito called this activity *Lakbay ni Maria para sa Makabuluhang Simbahan*. The activity hopes to remind all the Lay Faithful of Mary as the refuge of the forsaken and downtrodden, especially in these trying times.

The Pilgrim Image will visit our Diocese on 8 March to 15 March 2014. The following are the scheduled places:

Date	Time	Activity	Venue
March 8 Saturday	7:00 PM	Official Reception in the Diocese	Good Shepherd Cathedral, <i>Regalado Avenue Extension, Fairview Park, Quezon City</i>
March 9 Sunday	5:00 PM	Send-off Mass and transfer to San Jose, Ang Tagapagtanggol Parish	
March 9 Sunday	7:30 PM	Reception	San Jose, Ang Tagapagtanggol, <i>Sto. Domingo St., Doña Juana Homes, Brgy. Holy Spirit, Quezon City</i>
March 12 Wednesday	6:00 PM	Send-off Mass and transfer to Pagkabuhay Parish	
March 12 Wednesday	8:00 PM	Reception	Pagkabuhay Parish, <i>Bagbag, Novaliches, Quezon City</i>
March 15 Saturday	9:00 AM	Send-off Liturgy and transfer to the Diocese of Cubao	

I pray that the Pilgrim Image's visit of *Nuestra Señora de los Desamparados* to the Diocese of Novaliches will bring lasting fruits especially to the Lay Faithful during the Year of the Laity – the people called to be Saints and Sent Forth as Heroes. Mary is the archetype of the ever-faithful Laymen and women to God and His Church, and *Inang Mapagkalinga sa Kanyang mga Anak na Kamanlalakbay*. *Kaya, tayo'y mga anak ng Inang Mapag-ampon na laging nananalangin para sa atin!*

Given in the Chancery in Fairview, Quezon City, 6 March 2014.

Most Rev. Antonio R. Tobias, DD
Bishop

Attested by:

Rev. Fr. Reynaldo Percival S. Flores
Chancellor