## Blessing for Bishop Alberto Rojas Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination August 10, 2011

God our Father, we praise you with Jesus your Son. We thank you for watching over the flock of your Son, Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who gave his life for the sheep of his flock.

We thank you for the new shepherd you have chosen to lead this Diocese of San Bernardino, Bishop Alberto Rojas, as we celebrate the ninth anniversary of his ordination as a bishop. You chose him as successor of the apostles of Jesus to serve the people in this diocese by teaching His gospel, by guiding them in His way and by sanctifying them with His Spirit. Thank you for our Bishop who inspires us with his words and example and, along with all our bishops, guides us as one Church in our diversity.

As we thank you for this act of your providence, we ask for your continuous blessing on him, that he may be strengthened in his faith and in his resolve to serve your people in this Diocese of San Bernardino with all the gifts he has received from you.

Loving Father, we ask this blessing on Bishop Rojas in the name of Jesus and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.