Office of the Bishop

Dear Friend of Life,

The "40 Days for Life" Campaign is a laudable and practical means through which people of faith in can engage in the urgent and necessary work to end abortion. I am pleased that participation in this effort is growing and that the Fall, 2011 Campaign will take place in three locations in San Diego County: San Marcos, Miramar Road, and a new site in El Cajon.

The campaign will undoubtedly change hearts, minds and, God willing, bring about greater legal protection for life, from conception to natural death. With due deference to the judgment of our pastors, you are welcome to promote your program within the Diocese of San Diego.

Sadly, there are many pressures in our society that drive women and men to consider abortion. Each year, more than 250,000 abortions are performed in California, 25,000 of which occur in San Diego County. As we approach 39 years of legalized abortion in the United States, prayer and fasting for the sanctity of human life is vitally important now more than ever.

I send my greetings and encouragement to those participating in this work of prayer and fasting. Your efforts imitate the life of Christ, who prayed and fasted for forty days in the desert before beginning His public ministry.

Sincerely in our Lord,

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