

God of all creation,
we offer you grateful praise for your many gifts,
and especially today for the gift of
Bishop Rojas to our Diocese and in our lives.

With grateful hearts,
we celebrate the 23rd anniversary of his ordination
as a priest for your church.
Having been configured to Christ the eternal High Priest,
he exercises his sacred ministry
in loving service to your people in this local church.

We give you thanks for his vocation to the priesthood and we pray for him on this anniversary day filled with hope. As a people united in love and compassion, we strive as a Church Community to bring the Gospel of love compassion and tolerance to our world. May the examples of Mary, Our Blessed Mother, especially under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, our diocesan patron, St. Bernardine, and all the apostles and saints guide him on his way.

Bestow your blessing on Bishop Rojas,
your servant who shepherds our diocese with love and humility.
May the light of your truth shine on your servant
as he so fervently devotes himself to spreading
your message of love, mercy and justice.
Surround him with your love that he may enjoy many happy years,
all of them pleasing to you.
May his life and good works always serve to bless and glorify your name.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.