

**Prayer of Blessing**  
**Most Rev. Rutilio J. del Riego**  
**Anniversary of Priestly Ordination**  
**June 5, 1965 - June 5, 2020**

*God of all creation, we offer you grateful praise for your many gifts and especially today for the gift of your servant, Bishop Rutilio, as we celebrate his 55 years of service as your priest.*

*With grateful hearts, we recall the day of his ordination as he promised a life of service to your people. We are grateful for his spiritual guidance, example of fidelity, self-sacrifice, and devotion as he continues to serve in his ministry of service to this local church. May he always be guided by the examples of Mary our Mother, Saints Peter and Paul, all the apostles, and all the saints.*

*We ask your special blessing on Bishop Rutilio on this day. Surround him with your love that he may enjoy many happy years, all of them pleasing to you. May the light of your truth shine through his life and good works among your people.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

