

## **MEMO No. 110/08/2010** Protocol No. 4871/21010

November 8, 2010

TO: The Reverend Clergy, the Religious and the Lay Faithful of the Archdiocese

## RE: CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. ELIZABETH OF UNGARY

"St. Elizabeth of Hungary epitomizes all that we can dream of as a church in the clergy and the religious, in the laymen and women, in husbands and wives, in Christian families and the youth."

-(Acts and Decrees, 3rd Diocesan Synod of Jaro, Theological Overview, p.104)

We will celebrate the **Feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary**, our Archdiocesan Patroness, on **November 17** (Wednesday) with a Threefold Celebration:

- (1) the Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of our Clergy,
- (2) the blessing of the newly renovated Metropolitan Cathedral and its declaration as a Diocesan Shrine of *Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria,* and
- (3) the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Diocesan Synod of Jaro

Here are our activities for the feast day:

All priests and men religious will come together at the Archbishop's Residence for a moment of Prayer and Reflection:

9:00 am	_	Welcome, Refreshment, and Bonding Moments with Brother-Priests
10:00am	_	Holy Hour
11:00 am	_	Spiritual Talk by Most Reverend <b>Patricio Buzon</b> , D.D. Bishop of Kabankalan Diocese followed by fraternal sharing in small groups



1:00 pm Fraternal Agape at La Isabelita Hall

2:30pm **Concelebrated Mass** at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Metropolitan Cathedral together with delegates from the parishes, religious communities, LOMAS, MAMOS, Papal Awardees, government officials, benefactors, etc.; within the Mass will be the Declaration of the Cathedral as Diocesan Shrine of Nuestra Señora de *la Candelaria*, then there will be a ritual as we remember the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of our 3rd **Diocesan Synod of Jaro.** 

May we be inspired by the dedication of St. Elizabeth of Hungary in serving the poor in the Church. "May Elizabeth's dedication to the poor and the needy inspire in us the same love for Christ in our neighbor" (cf. Pope Benedict XVI, October 20, 2010, General Audience).

Our Lady of Candles, pray for us!

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