



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **ANGLICAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF NEW ENGLAND PRONOUNCES BIN LADEN'S LIFE AND DEATH A LESSON TO LEARN FROM**

#### *New England Area Church Gives Advice on bin Laden Death*

**Ansonia, Connecticut – May 3, 2011** – Bishop Rocco Florenza, leader of the Anglican Catholic Church, Missionary Diocese of New England, made the following statement this morning following reports of the death of Usama bin Laden, the leader of the terrorist organization known as Al Qaeda who on September 11, 2001 orchestrated an attack on the United States which affected the lives of many New England families.

“Many of us in the Northeast were deeply affected by the actions of Bin Laden, but as Christians we do not celebrate the death of another man,” said Bishop Florenza. “Bin Laden will now answer to God for exploiting religion to orchestrate the deaths of so many people, including those in our own community,” the Bishop went on to say, “Bin Laden’s life should serve to remind us to love one another and to use the teachings of Christ to respect our neighbors both here and abroad. Let us pray for the brave U.S. airman, soldiers and sailors who participated in bringing bin Laden to justice, including those that have died over the past decade.”

Bishop Florenza is the Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of New England, a part of the world-wide Anglican Catholic Church which includes churches across the New England states, and eastern New York. The Bishop’s statements came after television and internet news media aired scenes of cheering crowds chanting, “USA, USA, USA.”

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