

*“We have made it clear in no uncertain terms to the government that we are not at peace with its invasive attempt to curtail the religious freedom we cherish as Catholics and Americans.*

*We did not ask for this fight,  
but we will not run from it.”*

Cardinal Timothy Dolan  
Archdiocese of New York



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*America's First Freedom.  
Too Sacred for Silence.*

## HERE'S WHAT'S AT STAKE:

**Freedom of Religion** is in the first article of the American Constitution's Bill of Rights. Yet the federal healthcare mandates require religious institutions—including 600 Catholic hospitals, 200 Catholic universities, countless Catholic schools, and various Catholic social agencies—to purchase or pay for contraception, abortion-inducing drugs, and sterilization coverage for employees.

This government mandate is in violation of our basic moral teachings and is an open threat to the Freedom of Religion cherished by liberty-loving Americans of all faiths.

## HERE'S WHAT WE'RE DOING:

**Let Religious Freedom Ring** is an effort, created by the Diocese of Allentown but inclusive of all concerned citizens, to educate and give voice to Americans about this threat to our religious freedom. It is our part of a national initiative called Fortnight For Freedom launched by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Among other events, the campaign includes ringing every bell possible throughout our 5-county diocesan region at precisely 12 noon on Independence Day, 2012.

By visiting our website, you can join us with your voice and your values. You'll also learn how a lot more than fireworks will fly this 4th of July.



For more facts and to join the fight, visit  
**www.LetReligiousFreedomRing.org**

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