RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT TO ORDINATION

LECTOR: (please read as the Celebrant is replacing his chasuble after the washing of feet)

When men are ordained for ministry, they answer the call of the Bishop by saying, “Ready and willing.” As our priest and deacon renew their commitment to ordained service, pray for them that they may be renewed in their enthusiasm to readily and willing serve the Lord and us His Church.

CELEBRANT: My dear Sisters and Brothers, today we celebrate the anniversary of that day when Christ our Lord conferred His priesthood on His Apostles and on us. We now renew in the presence of you, God’s holy people, the promises we made on the occasion of our ordinations.

PRIEST & DEACON: We are resolved to be more united with the Lord Jesus, and more closely conformed to Him: denying our own interests and confirming those promises towards Christ and His People which, prompted by love of Him, we willingly and joyfully pledged on the day of our ordinations.

We are resolved to be faithful stewards of the mysteries of God, to celebrate the Eucharist and the other liturgical services with sincere devotion. We are resolved to imitate Jesus Christ, the head and shepherd of the Church, by teaching the Christian faith without thinking of our own profit, solely for the well-being of you, the People we were sent to serve.

CELEBRANT: Let the Church say AMEN!

CELEBRANT: Pray also for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, our Archbishop, Charles Chaput, his assistant bishops—Timothy Senior, Michael Fitzgerald, John McIntyre, and Edward Deliman; our retired Archbishop, Cardinal Justin Rigali, and retired bishops, Robert McGinnis and Louis DeSimone; our favorite Bishop, Kevin Rhoades of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Indiana, that they may faithfully fulfill the office of apostle to which the Lord has called them and that they may lead us to Him, who is the source of salvation.

Let the Church say AMEN!

CELEBRANT: Finally, please pray for Father Rossi, Father Santiago, Father Estrada Father Antonio Father Leo, Deacon Gene, and myself, that despite our own unworthiness, we may faithfully fulfill the office of priest and deacon which Jesus Christ has entrusted to us. Pray that we may become more like our High Priest and Good Shepherd, the Teacher and Servant of all, and so be genuine signs of Christ’s loving presence among you.

Let the Church say Amen!

CELEBRANT: May the Lord in His love keep you close to Him always, and may He bring all of us, his priests, deacon, and people, to everlasting life.

Let the Church say Amen!