



Prayers for the Order of Deaconesses 1949, Diocese of New York

O God, our Father, by Whose Providence we have been set apart as deaconesses of Thy Church, grant us Thy grace that in singleness of purpose and with a willing mind we may faithfully fulfill our vocation, to the praise of Thy glory and the benefit of those we serve.

May we have such a sense of union with Thee as to make us feel the oneness with each other which shall strengthen the Order for worship of God and service to men. Grant this for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

O Lord, except Thou build the house, their labour is but lost that build it; we beseech Thee, therefore, of Thy mercy to revive Thy Deaconess Order.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order beginning with me.

Open our hearts and minds to recall our utter dependence on Thee and through Thee on one another.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

Help us individually to wait upon Thee without distraction.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

Open our hearts and minds to a clearer realization that only in emptying ourselves of self can we know Thy will and so fulfill Thy purpose for us in Thy Deaconess Order.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

Help each one of us in loneliness to know Thy nearness in all-embracing love and to be confident of the upholding prayers of sister-deaconesses.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

Replenish us with those spiritual gifts that may lead other women to find their vocation in Thy Deaconess Order.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

Give us grace in our work to use our powers to Thine honor and glory for only in so doing can we extend Thy Kingdom on earth.

R: Lord, revive Thy Deaconess Order, beginning with me.

O Lord, accept our petitions to revive Thy Deaconess Order as we say the prayer our Head taught us when He said. - Our Father...

Remember. O Lord, Thy Deaconess Order. Open our hearts and minds more and more to Thy Love, that empty of self, we may know Thy Will and let Thy Holy Spirit work His work in us. through Jesus, Christ, our Lord and Head. AMEN

Prayers for the Order of the Diaconate 2019 (based on the prayer above)

O God, our Creator, by Whose Providence we have been set apart as deacons of your Church, grant us your grace that in singleness of purpose and with a willing mind we may faithfully fulfill our vocation, to the praise of your glory and the benefit of those we serve.

May we have such a sense of union with you as to make us feel the oneness with each other which will strengthen our us for your worship and service to all people. Grant this for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

O Lord, we beseech you, of your mercy, to strengthen the Diaconate.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Open our hearts and minds to recall our dependence on you and through you and on one another.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Help us individually to wait upon you without distraction.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Open our hearts and minds to a clearer realization that only in emptying ourselves of self can we know your will and so fulfill your purpose for.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Help each one of us to know your nearness and all-embracing love.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Replenish us with those spiritual gifts that may lead others to find their vocation in the Diaconate.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

Give us grace in our work to use our gifts to your honor and glory, for only in so doing can we extend your Kingdom on earth.

R: Lord, strengthen the Diaconate, beginning with me.

O Lord, accept our petitions to strengthen the Diaconate as we say the prayer Jesus taught us when He said. -

Our Father

Closing:

Remember, O Lord, your deacons. Open our hearts and minds more and more to your love, that we may know your Will and let your Holy Spirit work in us, through Jesus, Christ, our Lord. AMEN