

Mary, who as teacher of faith
by your obedience to the word of God,
has cooperated in a remarkable way
with the work of redemption,
make the ministry of deacons effective
by teaching them to hear the word
and to proclaim it faithfully.

Mary, teacher of charity,
who by your total openness to God's call
has cooperated in bringing to birth
all the church's faithful,
make the ministry and the life of deacons fruitful
by teaching them to give themselves totally
to the service of the people of God.

Mary, teacher of prayer,
who through your maternal intercession
has supported and helped the church from her beginnings,
make deacons always attentive
to the needs of the faithful
by teaching them to come to know the value of prayer.

Mary, teacher of humility,
by constantly knowing yourself
to be the servant of the Lord
you were filled with the Holy Spirit,
make deacons docile instruments
in Christ's work of redemption
by teaching them the greatness
of being the least of all.

Mary, teacher of that service which is hidden,
who by your everyday and ordinary life filled with love
knew how to cooperate with the salvific plan of God
in an exemplary fashion,
make deacons good and faithful servants
by teaching them the joy of serving the church with an ardent love.
Amen.