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For the Supply of Candidates for the Order

O God, Who in the days of old didst raise up women for the service of Thy People; be mercifully pleased in these days to call forth women to serve Thy Church in the Order of Deaconesses, and grant that hearing Thy call they may offer themselves willingly to be trained, and with humble and thankful hearts surrender themselves to Thy purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Whole Order of Deaconesses

ALmighty God, Who by Thy divine providence hast appointed the Order of Deaconesses to serve Thee and Thy Church; pour out Thy grace upon us, that we may duly execute our office to the edifying of Thy Church and the Glory of Thy Holy Name; and so replenish our Order with all spiritual gifts that it may ever increase to Thy honour, and the welfare of Thy Kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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