

RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT BY COMMISSIONED LAY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

After the homily, the ministers are invited to stand. The congregation remains seated.

Priest Dear friends in Christ, you are to commit yourselves once again to being entrusted with administering the eucharist, with taking communion to the sick, and with giving it as viaticum to the dying.

Are you resolved to continue to undertake the office of minister of communion for the service and growth of the Church in your [individual] parish[es]?

Ministers *I am.*

Priest Are you resolved to continue to administer the holy eucharist with the utmost care and reverence?

Ministers *I am.*

Priest Are you resolved to continue to strive more earnestly than ever to live the Christian life, to give good example, and to take your faith more seriously?

Ministers *I am.*

The people stand.

Priest Let us pray with confidence to the Father; let us ask him to bestow his blessings on our sisters and brothers, chosen to be ministers of the eucharist.

*The ministers then kneel or bow their heads. The priest **and all others present** extend their hands over the ministers as the priest continues:*

Priest Merciful Father, creator and guide of your family, bless our brothers and sisters. May they faithfully give the bread of life and the cup of joy to your people. Strengthened by this sacrament, may they come at last to the banquet of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All *Amen.*