

## VESTING PRAYERS FOR DEACONS

### **While he washes his hands**

Give strength to my hands, Lord, to wipe away all stain, so that I may be able to serve Thee in purity of mind and body.

### **As he places the Amice over his head**

Lord, set the helmet of salvation on my head to fend off all the assaults of the devil.

### **As he puts on the Alb**

Purify me, Lord, and cleanse my heart so that, washed in the Blood of the Lamb, I may enjoy eternal bliss.

### **As he ties the Cincture**

Lord, gird me with the cincture of purity and extinguish my fleshly desires, that the virtue of continence and chastity may abide within me.

### **As he puts the Stole around his neck**

Lord, restore the stole of immortality, which I lost through the collusion of our first parents, and, unworthy as I am to approach Thy sacred mysteries, may I yet gain eternal joy.

### **As he puts on the Dalmatic**

Lord, endow me with the garment of salvation, the vestment of joy, and with the dalmatic of justice ever encompass me.

