

## St. Angela Commissioning Service

**Introduction:** Leader

**Opening Song:** Veni Angela (choice is optional)

### Commitment Dialogue:

**St. Angela's Words:** "Look upon yourselves as helpers and servants of God's people. Serve them with respect, for the more you respect them, the more you will love them, and the more you love them the greater your care of them will be. Hold each one in your heart as a great grace and blessing."

**All Respond:** God's call challenges us to service and to our ministry mission. In the spirit of Angela we commit ourselves to serve as witnesses of the Good News and bearer's of God's love to all people, cherishing and respecting them as God's beloved.

**St. Angela's Words:** "May charity move your hearts and direct your every action. Be gentle with those who are timid or prone to discouragement. Breathe fresh life into them and reassure them of God's goodness and love."

**All Respond:** Through our educational ministry, we respond to the needs of God's people, promising special care and attention to women, families, the economically poor and the powerless.

**St. Angela's Words:** "May charity stir your hearts and direct your every action. If you observe presumption or arrogance or lapses in conscience, speak out in the name of justice. When you see the welfare and integrity of others obviously in danger, on no account must you consent, tolerate or pass it over out of human respect. Act as your conscience dictates."

**All Respond:** In the spirit of Angela we are resolved to reflect on the moral urgency of our times and to embody the values of social justice in our life choices. We pledge our best efforts in collaborating to bring about a just world in which all people have a voice.

**St. Angela's Words:** "Realize how important it is for you to live united in heart and spirit. Together you will stand as a tower of strength against the world's evil. With joy and zeal dedicate yourself to the work you have undertaken."

**All Respond:** In the spirit of St. Angela, we commit ourselves to create and contribute to this community. May God, who continues to call us, keep us ever faithful to our commitment and to the spirit of our ministry.

**Closing Prayer:**

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