

## Solemn Blessing at the End of Mass

The Bishop, with hands extended over the virgins newly consecrated to God, says:

May the almighty Father, by his protection,  
keep intact the resolve he has poured into your hearts  
to live in blessed virginity:

R. Amen.

May the Lord Jesus, who unites to himself  
the hearts of sacred virgins in a nuptial covenant,  
**make your hearts fruitful by the word that is God's seed.**

R. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit,  
who came down upon the Blessed Virgin  
and, descending today, has consecrated your hearts,  
fire you with zeal for the service of God and the Church.

R. Amen.

And he blesses all the people, adding:

And may almighty God bless all of you,  
who are gathered for these sacred rites,  
the Father + and the Son+ and the Holy + Spirit.

R. Amen.

Or

May God, who inspires and brings to completion every holy design,  
Guard you always with his grace,  
That you may faithfully discharge the duties of your calling.

R. Amen.

May God make you partakers of divine charity  
And its witness and sign before all nations.

R. Amen.

May God graciously make lasting in heaven  
The bonds by which he has united you to Christ on earth.

R. Amen.

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