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Oath Sworn by the Candidate for Ordination to the Holy Priesthood

I, the undersigned, being now called to the priestly ministry, do swear an oath by Almighty God, before His Holy Gospel and life-creating Cross, that I desire, and will do my best, to conduct my ministry according to the will of God, the canons of the Church and the instructions of my ecclesiastical authorities: to perform the liturgical services with diligence and piety, according to the prescriptions of the Typicon, without altering anything arbitrarily; to uphold the doctrines of the Faith, and to instruct others in the precepts of the Holy Orthodox Church and the teachings of the Holy Fathers; to protect from heresies and schisms the souls that will be entrusted to me, and to enlighten and bring to the path of Truth and salvation those who will fall into error; to lead a life which is pious, sober, far removed from sinful, worldly habits, in the spirit of humility, wisdom, meekness, and to bring others to piety by my example; in all aspects of my labor to have in mind not my personal dignity or profit, but the glory of God, the good of the Holy Church, and the salvation of my neighbors. In all of this, may the Lord God help me by His grace, through the supplications of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos and all the saints.

In confirmation of this my oath, I kiss the Holy Gospel and Cross of my Savior. Amen.
