## **Prayer of the Mentor Couples**

Leader: Lord, we ask the help and guidance of Your Spirit in our ministry to those about to

marry.

**Left:** We are not perfect servants, not entirely equal to the task we undertake. We often find

it easier to propose ideals than to fulfill them in practice.

**Right:** And yet we know You are with us, and that, in fact, the work we do is not ours alone, but

Your saving work achieved through our efforts.

**Left:** What we try to help these young couples to

become is what we strive to become ourselves: couples whose self-sacrificing, self-forgiving love gives flesh to Your love in our world at this hour. In

the crosses of our failures is our way to Easter and

new life.

**Right:** May we be a sacrament to these couples. Through our committed, faithful love, our gift

of ourselves to each other and to them, may You touch them and transform their love.

May their love in turn become a sign in which they know Your presence in power.

All: Bless us with faith and vision, with courage and simplicity. Let us be open to one another

and enriched by what we share. May our insight and experience give them wisdom, and

may their excitement and dreams renew our spirits.

Together may we live for You, who with Your Son and Holy Spirit, are the fountain of life

and love forever and ever. Amen.

**Leader:** Our Blessed Lady, Mother of Jesus and wife of Joseph,

All: Pray for us.