

Unifying Love

God, known by many names,

The Sisters of St. Joseph were founded
to be the Congregations of the "great love of God"
recognizing You and our neighbor
in the breaking of the bread.

They responded freely and joyously
to the call of the Spirit
to love God, the dear neighbor and all creation.

Their dedication to serving the neighbor
with preference to the poor
has been their hallmark through the centuries.

In union with You who is the origin of all,
they seek in all things what is most loving.

In union with the Word of God,
they empty themselves
for the sake of the other.

In union with the Spirit,
they realize and express
God's love in the world.

This is the gift that was given to the Sisters,
who embraced Your people and now share
their heritage and charism with all.

We pray that like the Sisters of St. Joseph
we carry the torch of their charism of
uniting neighbor with neighbor and
neighbor with God without distinction
until all may be one.

Amen

Commented [1]: I like the reference to the preferential option for the poor, but maybe "with a special love for the poor" or "a deep commitment to the poor"

Commented [2]: the word preference or preferential is a strong word reflecting how the sisters chose who to serve. it is a strong word that for me-shows the challenge, focus and struggles the sisters have endured to serve God's people. So, what is your thought.