



After the readings and the homily (about 55 minutes!), Phillip was called forward for his ordination. Fr. After being called forward to the Bishop, Phillip answered several questions from the Bishop about his willingness to discharge the office of deacon with humility and love, and to proclaim the faith in word and action.







Next, we prayed the Litany of the Saints, asking that God would pour out God's blessings upon Phillip. While everyone else knelt, Phillip prostrated himself.





After the Litany of Saints, Bishop Telesphor laid hands on Phillip in silence.

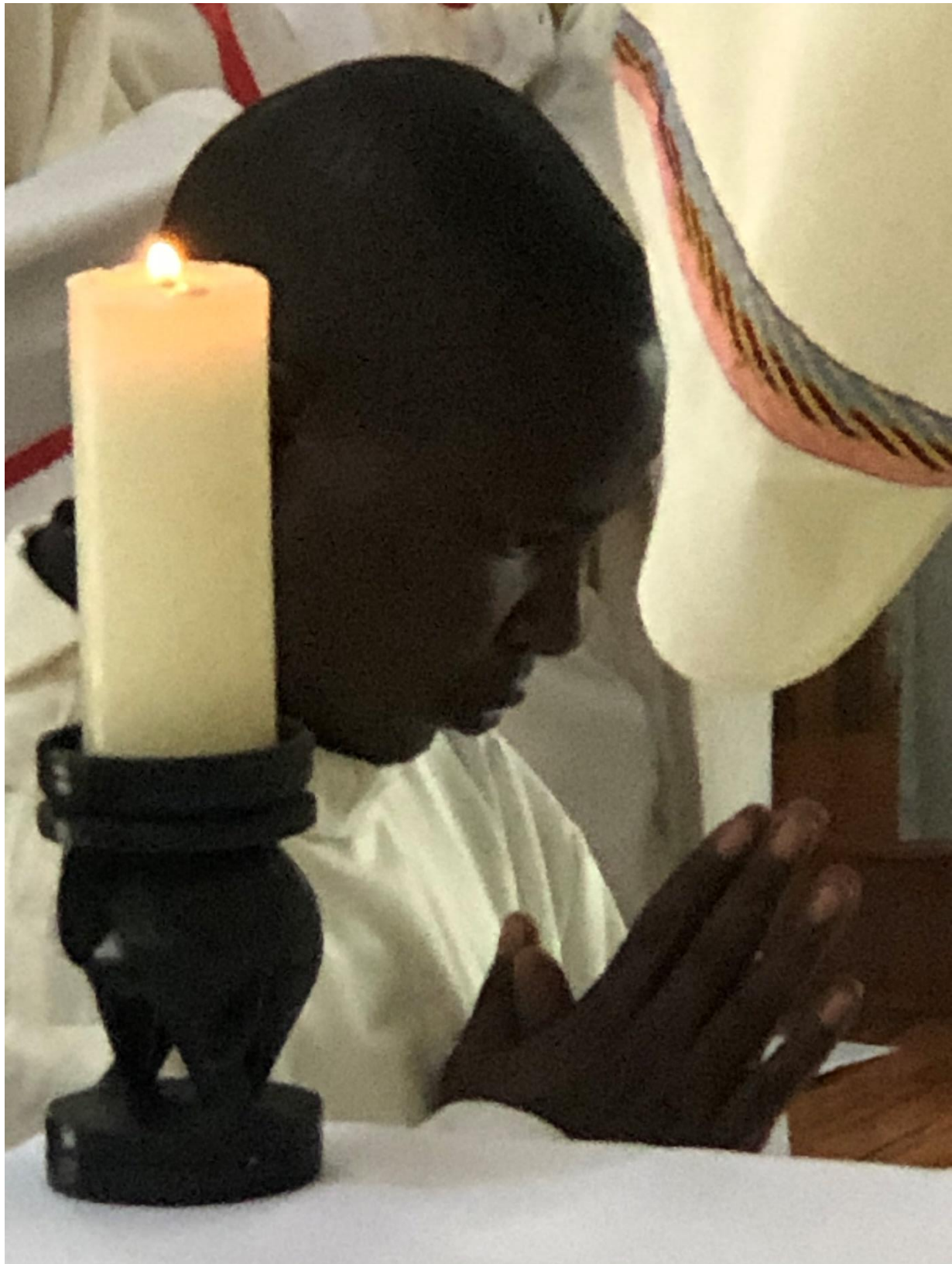






The Bishop then prayed the prayer of consecration as Phillip knelt before him.









After the prayer of consecration, Fr. Andrzej helped Phillip vest in the clothing characteristic of a deacon: the dalmatic and the stole worn on the side. Fr. Andrzej was the best choice to carry out this task since he has been with Phillip for many years throughout his formation process. I think it was a special moment for both Phillip and for Fr. Andrzej.







Ordination to the Diaconate (Part III) will continue in Blog No. 43! Stayed tuned!



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