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consecrated virgin  
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Msgr. Charles M. Mangan  
 Office of the Marian Apostolate  
 Diocese Sioux Falls, South Dakota

...Barb's skillful integration of portions of the Rite of Consecration accompanied by her own meditations are a treasure for the consecrated virgin who seeks to embrace fully the directive to "imitate the Mother of God." Meditations on Mary inspires a depth and richness as she ponders these things in her heart.

Molly McCarrick  
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Elizabeth Lee  
 consecrated virgin  
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Miss Barbara Swieciak received the Consecration to a Life of Virginity for Women Living in the World, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in the Diocese of La Crosse, Wisconsin, on the memorial of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 8, 1984 through the ministry of Bishop John J. Paul, Ordinary at that time.