This simple dedication may be used for any dedication, by simply filling in the name of the item dedicated. It requires the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Chaplain, Star Point Officers, or five Sideliners,— and a choir or soloist... although the Chapter may sing the songs if there is no special musical talent. Those taking part retire during a short intermission.

Worthy Matron: Tonight we are going to dedicate a ______. Every step we, as a Chapter, take forward, and every contribution that is made to make our Chapter life more complete, is worthy of our thoughts and prayers. Anything we do to make the occasion more memorable is our privilege and duty.

Raps are heard in the West, and the Warder reports.

Worthy Matron: Guests are to be with us tonight to help make this dedication more impressive. Sister Warder, you will invite our friends to enter.

Warder opens the door wide, and invites them to enter.

A Brother enters first, bearing whatever is being dedicated. If it is something too large to carry, he bears a banner, scroll or placard naming it. He has no speaking part. He moves directly forward, and rests it between Worthy Patron and Marshal, and retires as he enters.

Worthy Patron: We are all both proud and happy tonight to have an added beauty in our midst. Anything that adds either use or beauty to our Chapter room merits satisfaction, and when both are added, it is an occasion for joy. The Good Book says "Consider the lilies of the field", and exhorts us to appreciation of things that add to life simply by being.

The five Sisters enter, either Star Points, or Courtesy Girls. (If the Chapter has six Courtesy Girls, one may be substituted for the Brother.) Each one carries a long stem rose, and spray of green. A tall vase is in front of Worthy Matron's pedestal, to hold these flowers. They move slowly forward, to the tune of "You've Have A Roomful Of Roses", and stand in semi-circle in front of item to be dedicated. As each one speaks her lines, she faces the Chapter room, then turning, she places rose in vase, and remains in her place.

First Sister: In friendship and in truth, I offer a single rose,— that its beauty may speak for each of us here.

Second Sister: I will always be constant and humble in service. With these virtues in my heart, I add a rose of perfection to this improvement to our Chapter.

Third Sister: With purity in my heart, I say now that what we have added to our Chapter room will bring its own light and joy to each one here.— In giving this rose I am sharing in this dedication.

Fourth Sister: With this rose I pledge the faith and hope of each Member and Guest. We dedicate in Jesus' name, because we believe implicitly in His promises.

Fifth Sister: This is the rose of love. So, in the spirit of charity and sacrifice, I place it here, pledging, as I do, the loving service, and unselfish devotion of each one here, to the undying purposes of our Order.

They all turn and face the Chapter room, in an attitude of prayer, as the Chaplain moves forward. Entire Chapter is called up, as Chaplain says:

Chaplain: The virtues of our Order must reach a million lives.

The blessings that we share tonight forever multiplies.

Now, in this solemn dedication we must know

The beauty of the roses adds a glow...
And we will pledge this day, -
To follow in His way.
Then will this dedication His good immortalize.
May we so serve, that only blessings will follow.

Amen.

Chaplain returns to station, and Chapter is seated. The five standing in the East remain, however, while Soloist sings... to tune "You'd Have a Roomful of Roses", the words...

Rose of love,—Oh, rose so fair,
With the fragrance of a prayer,
This is the meaning of roses;
With these roses tall and straight,
Lovingly we dedicate,
Adding our love to the roses.
And if you share the meaning,
The sacrifice and prayer...
You'll serve in love, and serving,
Find joy beyond compare.
So, we'll add our pledge tonight,
To make truth more shining bright...
We add this meaning to all our roses,
In this dedication tonight.

Soloist is seated, and five Sisters are seated at rear of room... or in the Star Point chairs.

Worthy Patron: Every dedication carries an implied promise from every heart, that we will strive for more perfection,—that we will add the human striving and the effort that these material things will be only an outward show of an inner virtue. Let us renew our promises, and remember long.

Worthy Matron: Together we will continue to share the blessings that we have, and add beauty to beauty, and strength to strength. Let us repeat the old, old saying, and prayer...

This wish I always wish, this
Prayer I always pray...
"Let my life help the other lives
It touches every day."

and from this day onward, remember that our dedication was for continued good,—that our service may be for the future, and be a blessing to those we travel with down life's road.

This concludes the simple ceremony.

May your feet tread the roads of long delight,
May your eyes see beauty, your soul seek delight;
May your lips know a smile, and your heart a song,
May God be with you, your whole life long.