

PRAYERS IN REPARATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers at their business. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all, with the sheep and oxen, out of the temple; and he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for thy house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign have you to show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he spoke of the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken.

RESPONSORY

Your house, O Lord, must always be a holy place.

Response: Your house, O Lord, must always be a holy place.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, - **Response**

MAGNIFICAT

Antiphon: All you who love Jerusalem, rejoice with her for ever

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name.
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength
and scatters the proud-hearted.
He casts the mighty from their thrones
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,
sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel, his servant,
remembering his mercy,
the mercy promised to our fathers,

Glory be to the Father...

Antiphon: All you who love Jerusalem, rejoice with her for ever.

INTERCESSIONS

Our Saviour laid down his life so that all God's scattered children might be gathered together. In our need, let us cry out:

Response: *Remember your Church, Lord.*

Lord Jesus, you built your house upon a rock, - strengthen your Church with solid and lasting faith.

Response

Lord Jesus, blood and water flowed from your side, - give new life to your Church through the sacraments of your new and unending covenant. **Response**

Lord Jesus, you are in the midst of those who gather in your name, - hear the prayers of your universal Church. **Response**

Lord Jesus, you prepare a dwelling-place in your Father's house for all who love you, - help your Church to grow in divine love. **Response**

Lord Jesus, you never cast out anyone who comes to you, - open your Father's house to all those who have died. **Response**

Our Father...

PRAYER

God our Father,

from living stones, your chosen people,
you built an eternal temple to your glory.

Increase the spiritual gifts you have given to your Church

that your faithful people may continue to grow into the new and eternal Jerusalem.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.