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Catechizing Corner!

In today's gospel Jesus proclaims that his body replaced the Temple and all the spiritual meanings associated with the Temple. He proposed a new understanding of Temple—a living entity built on the foundation of his life, death and resurrection. The image of "temple" became a powerful metaphor for the body of believers, a holy dwelling place of God. Thus, the Temple is the Church, founded on the tradition of the apostles, whose foundation is Christ. Today's gospel reveals that God was establishing a new worship for Christian believers. In this Lenten time of conversion we pray that God puts in a new spirit within each and every one of us.

Mary Birmingham, Word and Worship Workbook,

Cycle B Paulist Press



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Disciple's Reflection for the Question of the Week

Third Sunday of Lent

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A Call to Prayer

The Word of God John 2:13-25

Faith Sharing Questions of the week

Closing Prayer



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Holy Family is a welcoming Catholic Eucharistic community of disciples of Jesus Christ connecting faith with life and reaching out to those in need!

Call to Prayer

Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

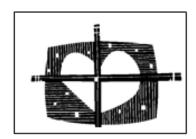
The Word of God John 2:13-25

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house

will consume me. At this the lews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" lesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said,"This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord



Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

<u>Children</u>: Have you ever had something you care about ruined?

<u>Teen:</u> Why do you think Jesus was so upset at the Temple?

Family: For Christians today, what is the Temple of God?

<u>Adult:</u> Can you make any comparisons in today's world?

Closing Prayer

God, may my sacrifice of today remind me of my dependence on You for all the blessings I enjoy. We ask this, as we ask all things, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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Gospel Glossary

Passover is the biblical story of when God freed the Israelites. **Zeal** means a burning desire to please God. The **Temple** is a place of religious worship.