Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Ist - 6th February 2021



O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

With you, O God, is the well of life All and in your light shall we see light.

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light, pour into the hearts of your faithful people the brilliance of your eternal splendour, that we, who by these kindling flames light up this temple to your glory, may have the darkness of our souls dispelled, and so be counted worthy to stand before you in that eternal city where you live and reign, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen

Readings

Day	Psalm	Reading
Monday	4	Genesis 18:1-15
Tuesday	9	Genesis 18:16-end
Wednesday	11	Genesis 19:1-3, 12-29
Thursday	18	Genesis 21:1-21
Friday	22	Genesis 22:1-19
Saturday	24	Genesis 23

We stand near the place of new birth.

All Let us shine with the light of your love. We turn from the crib to the cross.

All Let us shine with the light of your love. We go to carry his light.

All Let us shine with the light of your love. Thanks be to God.

Prayers (Add petitions at the)

Father, your Christ is acclaimed as the glory of

Israel: look in mercy on your Church, sharing his light ... Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your Christ in the Temple brings judgement on the world: look in mercy on the nations who long for his justice ... Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your Christ, who was rich, for our sake became poor: look in mercy on all who are in need and those who suffer with him ... Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your Christ is the one in whom faithful servants find their peace: look in mercy on the whole Church, which glories in your salvation ... Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your Christ is the one destined for rejection: look in mercy on us as we turn towards his passion. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Time of silent or open prayer.

Almighty Father, you kept faith with Simeon and Anna, and showed them the infant King. Give us grace to trust your promises, and patience to wait for their fulfilment; through Jesus Christ our Lord. All Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God. *All* **Amen.**

Collect for the presentation of Christ in the temple

The Lord's Prayer is said.

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May Christ, who sends us to the nations, give us the power of his Spirit.

All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.