

**Bless, O Lord, this house,
set apart to the glory of your great name
and the benefit of your Holy Church;
and grant that your name may be worshipped here
in truth and purity to all generations.**



**Give grace and wisdom to all in authority,
that they may exercise holy discipline,
and be, themselves, patterns of holiness, simplicity, and self-denial.**

**Bless ✕ all who are disciples here.
Take from them all pride, vanity, and self-conceit,
and give them true humility and self-abasement.**

**Enlighten their minds; subdue their wills; purify their hearts;
and so penetrate them with your Spirit, and fill them with your love,
that they may go forth
animated with earnest zeal for your glory;
and may your ever-living Word so dwell within their hearts
that they may speak with that resistless energy of love
which shall melt the hearts of sinners to the love of you.**

**Open, O Lord, the hearts and hands of your people,
that they may be ready to give
and glad to distribute to our necessities.**

**Bless the founders and benefactors of this house,
and recompense them with the riches of your everlasting kingdom,
for Jesus' sake. Amen.**