

Reading

1 Corinthians 6: 13–15. 17–20

*Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

- <sup>13</sup> The body is not meant for fornication;  
it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.
- <sup>14</sup> God, who raised the Lord from the dead,  
will by his power raise us up too.
- <sup>15</sup> You know, surely, that your bodies are members  
making up the body of Christ.
- <sup>17</sup> But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.
- <sup>18</sup> Keep away from fornication.  
All the other sins are committed outside the body;  
but to fornicate is to sin against your own body.
- <sup>19</sup> Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit,  
who is in you since you received him from God.
- <sup>20</sup> You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for.  
That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.
- The word of the Lord.