

OPENING PRAYER

O God of mystery,
out of death you delivered Jesus Christ,
and he walked in hidden glory with his disciples.

Stir up our faith,
that our hearts may burn within us
at the sound of his word,
and our eyes be opened to recognize him
in the breaking of bread.

Grant this through Jesus Christ,
the first born from the dead,
who lives and reigns with you now
and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

Amen

FINAL PRAYER

Loving Father,
you are a God of mercy and compassion.

We thank you for sending
your Son, Jesus, into our world
to show and teach us how to love.
When we walk through the
Door of Mercy during this Holy Year,
may we open our hearts to you
so that we may reflect your love, mercy
and compassion in our families,
communities and parishes.

May we walk with Jesus
through the 'streets of Galilee',
comforting the sick, opening our arms
to the 'little ones', sharing with the poor
and searching out the marginalised in our society.

May it be a year when barriers between us fall
and reconciliation becomes possible:
a year when our faith in your mercy is strengthened
and we learn how to be your face of mercy in our world.

Amen



POSTSCRIPT

EMMAUS
AND THE
RESURRECTION