

# **St. Mary the Virgin**

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### ***Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday***

#### ***The Stations of the Cross***

##### *Before the Stations*

O Merciful Savior, grant that while we follow Thy blessed footsteps along this Way of Sorrow, our hearts may be so touched with true contrition that Thou mayest turn our weeping into gladness by giving us remission of all our sins. Amen.

##### *The Stations*

###### *I. Jesus is condemned to death*

V: We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R: Because by thy Holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

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##### Act of Contrition

O God, we love thee with our whole hearts and above all things and are heartily sorry that we have offended thee. May we never offend thee any more. O, may we love thee without ceasing, and make it our delight to do in all things thy most holy will.

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By the Cross sad vigil keeping,  
Stood the Mother, doleful weeping,  
Where her Son extended hung.

*II. Jesus receives the Cross*

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For her soul of joy bereaved,  
Smit with anguish, deeply grieved,  
Lo, the piercing sword hath wrung.

*III. Jesus falls the first time under the weight of the Cross*

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Oh, how sad and sore distressed  
Now was she that Mother blessed  
Of the sole-begotten One!

*IV. Jesus meets his blessed Mother*

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Woe-begone with heart's prostration,  
Mother, meek, the bitter Passion  
Saw she of her glorious Son.

*V. The Cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene*

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Who on Christ's fond Mother looking,  
Such extreme affliction brooking,  
Born of woman, would not weep?

*VI. St. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus*

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Who on Christ's fond Mother thinking,  
With her Son in sorrow sinking,  
Would not share her sorrows deep?

*VII. Jesus falls the second time*

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For his People's sins rejected,  
She her Jesus unprotected  
Saw with thorns, with scourges rent.

*VIII. The women of Jerusalem mourn for our Lord*

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Saw her Son from judgment taken,  
Her beloved in death forsaken,  
Till his Spirit forth he sent.

*IX. Jesus falls the third time under the Cross*

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Fount of love and holy sorrow,  
Mother, may my spirit borrow  
Somewhat of thy woe profound.

*X. Jesus is stripped of his garments*

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Unto Christ with pure emotion  
May I raise my heart's devotion,  
Love to read in every wound.

*XI. Jesus is nailed to the Cross*

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Those five wounds of Jesus smitten,  
Mother! in my heart be written,  
Deep as in thine own they be.

*XII. Jesus dies upon the Cross*

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Thou, my Saviour's Cross who bearest,  
Thou, thy Son's rebuke who sharest,  
Let me share them both with thee.

*XIII. Jesus is taken down from the Cross*

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Mine with thee be that sad station,  
There to watch the great salvation  
Wrought upon the atoning tree.

*XIV. Jesus is laid in the sepulchre*

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To my parting soul be given  
Entrance at the gate of Heaven,  
And in Paradise a place.

*Closing Antiphon and Prayer*

*Antiphon:* Christ became obedient unto death for us, even the death of the Cross.

Let us pray

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross; Who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

## The Order of Morning Prayer

Processional:

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Petra

Richard Redhead, 1853



1. Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, Ye that feel the temp - ter's power;  
2. Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; View the Lord of life ar - rained;  
3. Cal-vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing at his feet,



Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see, Watch with him one bit - ter hour;  
O the worm - wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus - tained!  
Mark the mi - ra - cle of time, God's own sa - cri - fice com - plete;



Turn not from his griefs a - way, Learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.  
Shun not suff - ring, shame, or loss; Learn of him to bear the cross.  
"It is fi - nished!" hear him cry; Learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

James Montgomery, 1825.

*Minister.* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

### A General Confession (p. 6)

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind In Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. *Amen.*

### The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### Versicles and Responses (bottom of page 7)

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise. [all stand]

*Minister.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Minister.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's Name be praised.

**Psalm 22. *Deus, deus meus.*** (p. 366)

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me? \* and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint? [all sit]

O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not; \* and in the night season also I take no rest.

And thou continuest holy, \* O thou Worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in thee; \* they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

They called upon thee, and were holpen; \* they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm, and no man; \* a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn; \* they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in the LORD, that he would deliver him; \* let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; \* thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born; \* thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

O go not from me; for trouble is hard at hand, \* and there is none to help me.

Many oxen are come about me; \* fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.

They gape upon me with their mouths, \* as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; \* my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums, \* and thou bringest me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me, \* and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet: I may tell all my bones: \* they stand staring and looking upon me.

They part my garments among them, \* and cast lots upon my vesture.

But be not thou far from me, O LORD; \* thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword, \* my darling from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth; \* thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

I will declare thy Name unto my brethren; \* in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

O praise the LORD, ye that fear him: \* magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob; and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.

For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor; \* he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto him he heard him.

My praise is of thee in the great congregation; \* my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied; they that seek after the LORD shall praise him: \* your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the LORD; \* and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

For the kingdom is the LORD'S, \* and he is the Governor among the nations.

All such as be fat upon earth \* have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him; \* and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve him: \* they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness \* unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

**Psalm 40: 1-16. *Expectans expectavi.*** (p. 390)

I WAITED patiently for the LORD, \* and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.

He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay, \* and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, \* even a thanksgiving unto our God.

Many shall see it, and fear, \* and shall put their trust in the LORD.

Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the LORD, \* and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

O LORD my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts, which are to us-ward; \* and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.

If I should declare them, and speak of them, \* they should be more than I am able to express.

Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, \* but mine ears hast thou opened.  
Burnt-offering and sacrifice for sin hast thou not required: \* then said I, LO, I come;  
In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: \* I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.  
I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: \* lo, I will not refrain my lips, O LORD, and that thou knowest.  
I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; \* my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation. I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth \* from the great congregation.  
Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O LORD; \* let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.  
For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to look up; \* yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me. O LORD, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me; \* make haste, O LORD, to help me.

**Psalm 54. *Deus, in nomine.* (p. 406)**

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake, \* and avenge me in thy strength.  
Hear my prayer, O God, \* and hearken unto the words of my mouth.  
For strangers are risen up against me; \* and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.  
Behold, God is my helper; \* the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.  
He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: \* destroy thou them in thy truth.  
An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O LORD; \* because it is so comfortable.  
For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble; \* and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

*Minister.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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**The First Lesson**

***Genesis 22:1-18***

And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and

offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen. And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the Lord, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

***Benedictus es, Domine*** (Hymn 623, BCP p. 11).

Blessed art thou, O Lord | God of • our fathers: \* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Blessed art thou for the | Name of • thy Majesty: \* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the temple | of thy holiness: \* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest be|tween the Cherubim:

\* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Blessed art thou on the glorious | throne of • thy kingdom: \* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the firma|ment of heaven: \* praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son, \* and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be, \* world without | end. Amen.

## **The Second Lesson**

### ***Hebrews 10***

THE law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices, which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: in burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt-offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God: he taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: but this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; then saith he, And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; and having an high priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful

that promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

***Benedictus. St. Luke i. 68.*** (Hymnal 640/BCP p. 14)

BLESSED be the Lord God of | Israel; \* for he hath visited and redeemed • his **people**;  
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, \* in the house of his | servant **David**;  
As he spake by the mouth of his | holy Prophets, \* which have | been • since the | world began;  
That we should be saved | from our enemies, \* and from the hand of | all that **hate** us.  
To perform the mercy promised to our | **forefathers**, \* and to remember his | holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather | Abraham, \* that | he would **give** us;  
That we being delivered out of the | hand of • our enemies \* might | serve him • **without** fear;  
In holiness and righteousness before him, \* all the | days of **our** life.  
And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet | of the Highest: \* for thou shalt go before the face of the |  
Lord • to prepare his ways;  
To give knowledge of salvation | unto • his people \* for the remission of their sins,  
Through the tender mercy | of our God; \* whereby the day-spring from on | high hath | visit•ed us;  
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the | shadow • of death,  
\* and to guide our feet | into • the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son, \* and | to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever shall be, \* world without | **end**. Amen.

## **The Passion**

### ***St. John 19***

PILATE therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king, speaketh against Caesar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment-seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away. And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha: where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city; and it

was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son ! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: but one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

### **The Apostles' Creed (p. 15)**

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. *Amen.*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray. [all kneel]

*Minister.* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Answer.* And grant us thy salvation.

*Minister.* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Answer.* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

### *The Collects for Good Friday*

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all who know thee not as thou art revealed in the Gospel of thy Son. Take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy fold, that they may be made one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Peace*

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Grace*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Additional Prayers**

**A General Thanksgiving.** (p. 19) [may be said in unison]

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*2 Cor. xiii. 14.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

# The Veneration of the Cross

## The Solemn Collects

Repeat three times:

Minister: Behold the Wood of the Cross, whereon was hung the world's Salvation.

People: O come, let us worship.

*Please take a moment to meditate on the Cross during the readings that follow.*

## Retiring Procession: 341

St. Christopher

Frederick C. Maker, 1881



1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,  
2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus Mine eyes at times can see  
3. I take, O cross, thy sha - dow For my a - bi - ding place;



The sha - dow of a migh - ty rock With - in a wea - ry land,  
The ve - ry dy - ing form of one Who suf - fer'd there for me;  
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of his face;



A home with - in the wil - der - ness, A rest up - on the way,  
And from my smit - ten heart with tears Two won - ders I con - fess:  
Con - tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,



From the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, And the bur - den of the day.  
The won - ders of re - deem - ing love, And my own worth - less - ness.  
3. I sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all the cross.

Elizabeth Cecilia Clephane; pub. 1872