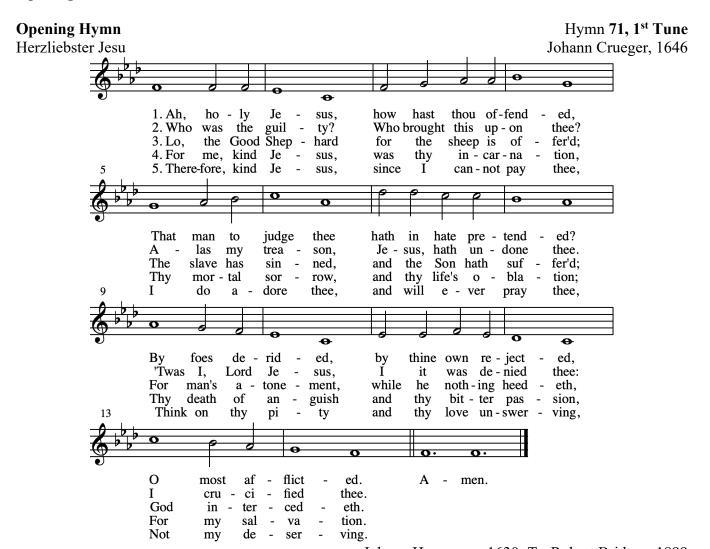
# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Catholic Parish

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# Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

# **Opening Remarks**



Johann Heermann, 1630; Tr. Robert Bridges, 1899

# 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.

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, who first followed in the way of the cross, may the Most Adorable Trinity, through thy most powerful intercession, receive and accept, in reparation for our sins, and the sins of the whole world, the affections of sorrow and love, with which we intend, with God's help, to perform this holy exercise. 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.

Minister: Leaving the house of Caiaphas where he has been blasphemed, and the house of Herod where he has been mocked, Jesus is dragged before Pilate, his back torn with scourges, his head crowned with thorns; and he who on the last day will judge the living and the dead, is himself condemned to a shameful death.

It was for us that thou didst suffer, O blessed Jesus; it was for our sins thou wast condemned to die. Oh, grant that we may detest them from the bottom of our hearts, and by this repentence obtain thy mercy and pardon.

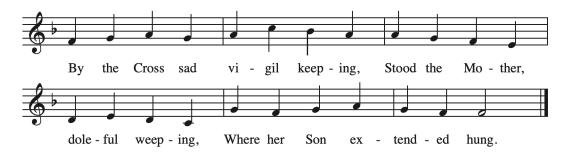
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O God, we love thee with our whole hearts and above all things and are heartily sorry that we have offended thee. May we never offend thee any more. O, may we love thee without ceasing, and make it our delight to do in all things thy most holy will.

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\*Note: Arrangement for passing verses is Hymn 76 (Mainz). This order for the Stations is based on those arranged by St. Alphonsus and translated by Fr. Stanton of St. Alban's, Holburn.



II. Jesus receives the Cross

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

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

*Minister*: A heavy Cross is laid upon the bruised shoulders of Jesus. He receives it with meekness, nay with a secret joy, for it is the instrument with which he is to redeem the world. What efforts do we make, on the other hand, to escape all suffering as far as we can?

O Jesus, grant us, by virtue of thy Cross, to embrace with meekness and cheerful submission the difficulties of our state and to be ever ready to take up our Cross and follow thee.

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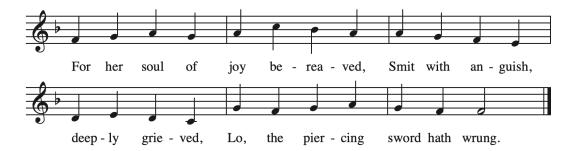
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III. Jesus falls the first time under the weight of the Cross

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

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

*Minister:* Bowed down under the weight of the Cross, Jesus slowly sets forth on the way to Calvary, amidst the mockeries and insults of the crowd. His agony in the garden has exhausted his body; he is sore with blows and wounds; his strength fails him, he falls to the ground under the Cross.

O Jesus! who for our sins didst bear the heavy burden of the Cross and fall under its weight, may the thought of thy sufferings make us watchful over ourselves, and save us from any grievous fall into sin.

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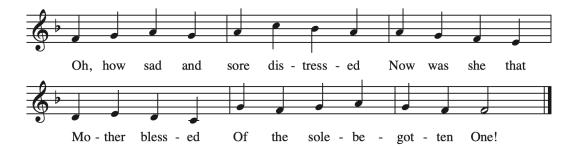
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IV. Jesus meets his blessed Mother

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

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

*Minister*: Still burdened with his Cross, and wounded yet more by his fall, Jesus proceeds on his way. He is met by his Mother. What a meeting must that have been! What a sword of anguish must have pierced that Mother's bosom! What must have been the compassion of that Son for his Holy Mother!

O Jesus! by the compassion which thou didst feel for thy Mother, have compassion on us and give us a share in her intercession. O Mary, most afflicted Mother! intercede for us, that through the sufferings of thy Son we may be delivered from the wrath to come.

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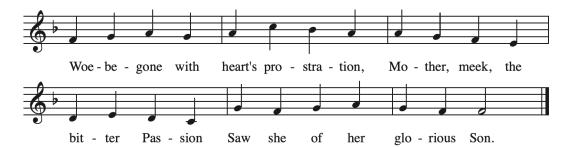
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V. The Cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene

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

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

*Minister*: As the strength of Jesus fails, and he is unable to proceed, the executioners seize and compel Simon of Cyrene to carry his Cross. The virtue of that Cross changes his heart, the compulsory task becomes a privilege and joy.

O Lord Jesus! may it be our privilege also to bear thy Cross; may we glory in nothing else; by it may the world be crucified unto us and we unto the world; may we never shrink from suffering, but rather rejoice if we be counted worthy to suffer for thy Name's sake.

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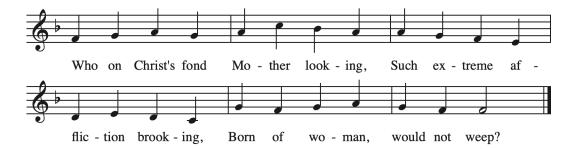
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VI. St. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus

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

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

*Minister*: As Jesus proceeds on the way, covered with the sweat of death, a woman moved with compassion makes her way through the crowd and wipes his face with her veil. As a reward of her piety, the impression of his sacred countenance is miraculously imprinted upon the veil.

O Jesus! may the contemplation of thy suffering move us with the deepest compassion, make us to hate our sins, and kindle in our hearts more fervent love of thee. May thy image be graven on our minds until we are transformed into thy likeness.

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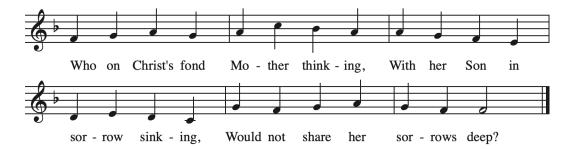
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VII. Jesus falls the second time

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

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

*Minister*: The pain of his wounds and the loss of blood increasing at every step of his way, again his strength fails him and Jesus falls to the ground a second time. Our pride has caused his fall, it is our insolent haughtiness which crushes him to the earth.

O Jesus! falling again under the burden of our sins, and of thy sufferings for our sins, how often have we grieved thee by our repeated falls into sin! Oh, may we rather die than offend thee again!

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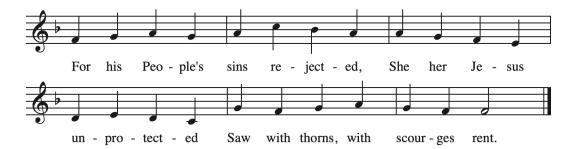
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VIII. The women of Jerusalem mourn for our Lord

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

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

*Minister*: At the sight of the sufferings of Jesus, some holy women in the crowd were so touched with sympathy that they openly bewail and lament him. Jesus, knowing the things that were come to pass, said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."

O Lord Jesus, we mourn and will mourn both for thee and for ourselves, for thy sufferings and for our sins which caused them. Oh teach us so to mourn that we may be comforted, and escape those judgments prepared for all who reject thee.

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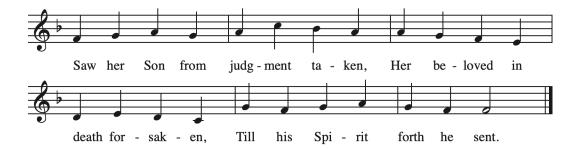
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IX. Jesus falls the third time under the Cross

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

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

*Minister*: Jesus has now arrived almost to the summit of Calvary, but before he reaches the spot where he is to be crucified, his strength again fails him and he falls the third time, to be again dragged up and goaded onward by brutal soldiery.

O Lord Jesus, we entreat thee, by the merits of this thy third most painful fall, to pardon our frequent relapses and our long continuance in sin; and may the thought of these thy sufferings make us hate our sins more and more.

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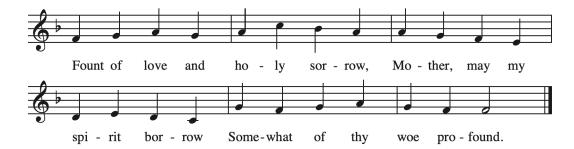
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*X. Jesus is stripped of his garments* 

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

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

*Minister*: Arrived at last at the place of sacrifice they prepare to crucify him. His garments are torn from his bleeding Body, and he, the Holy of holies, stands exposed to the vulgar gaze of rude and scoffing multitudes.

O Lord Jesus, thou didst endure this shame for our most shameful deeds. Strip us, we beseech thee, of all false shame, conceit, and pride, and make us so to humble ourselves voluntarily in this life, that we may escape everlasting shame in the world to come.

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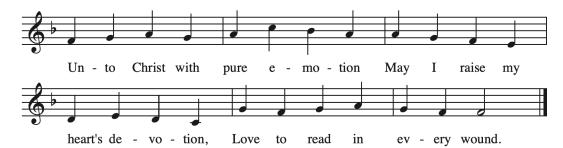
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XI. Jesus is nailed to the Cross

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

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

Minister: The Cross is laid upon the ground and Jesus is stretched upon his bed of death. At one and the same time he offers his bruised limbs to his heavenly Father in behalf of sinful men, and to his fierce executioners to be nailed by them to the shameful wood. The blows are struck! The Precious Blood streams forth!

O Jesus! nailed to the Cross, fasten our hearts there also, that they may be united to thee until death shall strike us with its fatal blow, and with our last breath we shall have yielded up our souls to thee.

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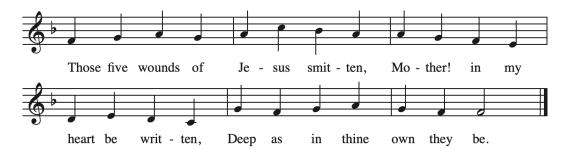
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XII. Jesus dies upon the Cross

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

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

*Minister*: For three hours has Jesus hung upon his pierced hands; his blood has run down in streams; and in the midst of excruciating sufferings, he has pardoned his murderers, promised the bliss of paradise to the good thief, and committed his blessed Mother and blessed disciple to each other's care. All is now finished; and meekly bowing down his head, he gives up the ghost.

O Jesus! we devoutly embrace that honored Cross where thou didst love us even unto death. In that death we place all our confidence. Henceforth let us live only for thee; and in dying for thee let us die loving thee.

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XIII. Jesus is taken down from the Cross

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

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

*Minister*: The multitude have left the heights of Calvary and none remain save the Beloved disciple and the holy women, who at the foot of the Cross are striving to stem the grief of Christ's most loving Mother. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus take the body of her divine Son from the Cross, and deposit it in her arms.

O Mary, blessed Mother of my God, thou bearest in thine arms thine only Son, now dead, who often rested his head in sleep upon thy breast. Pray for us, that as thou holdest him lifeless in death, he may bear us up in the hour of our death in his everlasting arms.

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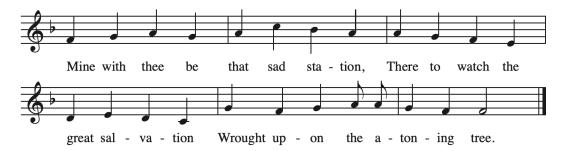
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XIV. Jesus is laid in the sepulchre

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

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

*Minister*: The body of the dearly beloved Son is taken from his Mother, and laid by the disciples in the tomb. The tomb is closed and there the lifeless body remains until the hour of its glorious resurrection.

We too, O God, will descend into the grave whenever it shall please thee, as it shall please thee, and wheresoever it shall please thee. Suffer our sinful bodies to return to their parent dust; but do thou, in thy great mercy, receive our immortal souls, and when our bodies have risen again place them likewise in thy kingdom, that we may love and bless thee for ever and ever. *Amen*.

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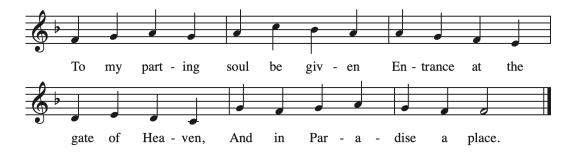
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Closing Antiphon and Prayer

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*.





Isaac Watts, 1707

# **Good Friday Homily**

The Rt. Reverend A. F. Rasch

# Mass of the Catechumens The Ancient Propers and Solemn Collects

### The Prophecy

Hosea 5:15b-6:6

Thus saith the Lord: in their affliction they will seek me early.

Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth. O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments are as the light that goeth forth. For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

### Tract

(*Habakkuk* 3) O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years. In the midst of the two beasts, be thou acknowledged: in the midst of the years, make thyself known. In the time to come, be thou manifest: in the time of the confusion of my soul in wrath, remember mercy. God came from Libanus: and the Holy One from the thick darkness of the wooded mountain. His glory covered the heavens: and the earth was full of his praise.

#### The Collects for Good Friday

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

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Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

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*.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

O 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*.

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BRETHREN: 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.

#### **Tract**

(*Psalm* 140) Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man: and preserve me from the wicked man. Who imagine mischief in their hearts: and stir up strife all the day long. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adder's poison is under their lips. Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly: and preserve me from the wicked men. Who are purposed to overthrow my goings: the proud have laid a snare for me. And spread a net abroad with cords: yea, and set traps in my way. I said unto the Lord: Thou art my God: hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord. O Lord God, thou strength of my health: thou hast covered my head in the day of battle. Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord: let not his mischievous imagination prosper: lest they be too proud. Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them: that compass me about. The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name: and the just shall continue in thy sight.

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AT that time: 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 night 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

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 Solemn Collects**

Dearly beloved brethren, let us pray for the holy Church of God that the Lord our God may vouchsafe to preserve it throughout all the world in unity, peace, and safety, making subject unto it all Principalities and Powers, and that he may grant unto us to dwell in such quiet and tranquility that we may duly shew forth the glory of God the Father Almighty.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast in Christ made manifest thy glory unto all mankind, we beseech thee that thou wouldest preserve those things which of thy mercy thou hast created; that thy Church being spread abroad through all the world may stedfastly abide in the confession of thy holy Name. Through the same Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for [Thomas] our Chief Bishop, that like as the Lord our God hath appointed him to the office of a bishoprick, so he may preserve him in all peace and safety for the governance of God's holy People.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose judgement upholdeth all things both in heaven and earth, we beseech thee mercifully to have respect unto our prayers, that like as thou hast appointed this thy servant to be our Bishop so thou wouldest of thy mercy defend him against all adversities; and that all Christian peoples, acknowledging thee alone to be their author and governour, may so prosper by his care that they may duly increase in bringing forth the fruits of their procession. Through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons; for all Sub-deacons, Acolytes, Exorcists, Readers, Doorkeepers, Confessors, Virgins, and Windows, and for all God's holy People.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

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... *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for *N*. the President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority; that they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honour and glory, and that we and all the People, duly considering whose authority they bear, may faithfully and obediently honour them.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, our Governour, whose glory is in all the world, we commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to The President of the United States, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear. Through... *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for all them that are catechumens, that the Lord our God may open the ears of their hearts that they may enter in at the gate of his mercy; that by the washing of regeneration they may obtain the remission of all their sins, and be found faithful servants of our Lord, Christ Jesus.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost ever increase thy Church with the abundance of a new generation, we beseech thee that thou wouldest multiply in faith and understanding them that are being taught in thy holy word; that being renewed in the water of Baptism they may be numbered among the sons of thine adoption. Through... *Amen*.

Dearly beloved brethren, let us pray likewise to God the Father Almighty, that he would vouchsafe to cleanse the world from all false doctrine, to deliver it from pestilence and famine, to open all prisons, and to set free them that are in captivity, granting unto pilgrims a safe return, to the sick healing, and to them that travel by sea to attain unto the haven that they desire.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, the comforter of them that mourn, the strength of them that travail, we beseech thee to hear the prayers of them that in any necessity make their supplications unto thee, that in all their troubles and adversities they may rejoice in the present succour of thy loving-kindness. Through... *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for all them that are in heresy and schism, that the Lord our God may deliver them from all false doctrines, and vouchsafe to restore them to their holy Mother the Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, who wouldest not that any should perish, but rather that they should be saved, we beseech thee mercifully to look upon them that are deceived by the crafts of the devil; that the hearts of them which have gone astray may be delivered from their perversities and restored to the way of truth and to the unity of thy holy Church. Through... *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for the Jews, that the Lord our God may remove from their hearts the veil of unbelief; and that they may come to the knowledge of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and everlasting God, who extendest to the unbelieving of the Jews the abundance of thy mercy, graciously hear our prayers for this people whose hearts are blinded; that they may come to know Christ Jesus to be the Light of thy truth, and in him find the way out of the darkness of their misunderstandings. Through the same... *Amen*.

Let us pray likewise for the heathen, that God Almighty may take away the iniquity of their hearts; that they may turn away from their idols to the true and living God, and to his only begotten Son Jesus Christ our Lord and God.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Deacon:) Let us bow the knee. (Sub-deacon:) Arise.

Almighty and everlasting God, who desirest not the death of a sinner but rather that he should turn from his wickedness and live, mercifully accept our prayers; that all who know thee not as thou art revealed in the Gospel of thy Son may be delivered from the worship of their idols, and by confession of the true faith be united to thy holy Church to the honour and glory of thy Name. Through the same... *Amen*.

# The Veneration of the Cross

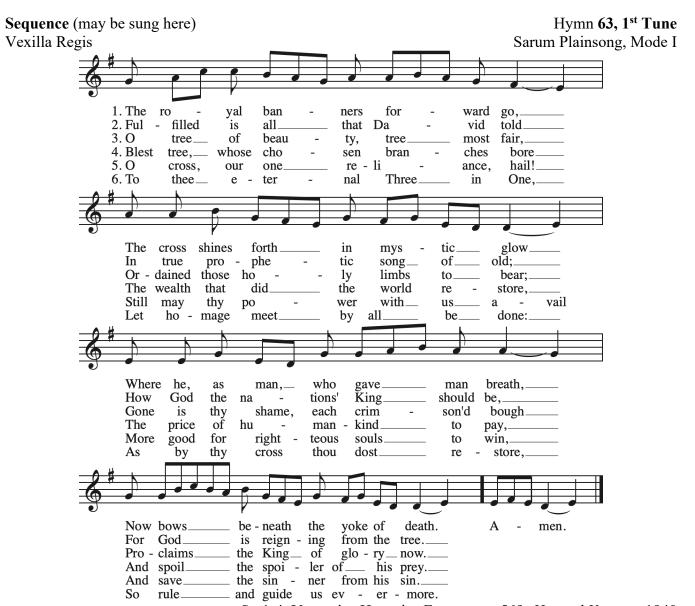
*The Celebrant progressively uncovers the shrouded Cross, repeating three times:* 

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

People: O come, let us worship.

The people may come forward to venerate the Cross.

# The Mass of the Presanctified



St. 1-4, Venantius Honorius Fortunatus, 569; Hymnal Version, 1940

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### **Orate, Fratres**

Celebrant: Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father

Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name; both to

our benefit and that of all his holy Church. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

### 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. Amen.

Celebrant:

Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and with all Saints, give peace graciously in our days, that we, being holpen by the succour of thy mercy, may both always be free from sin and safe from all disquietude. Through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God. World without end. Amen.

#### **Communion of the Faithful**

For those attending in person, we have resumed the customer of kneeling or standing at the Altar Rail to Receive. Here are the various Ways of Receiving:

- 1. Receive the Host into your hands, or directly onto the tongue. Receive directly from the Chalice, guiding it gently by the base.
- 2. Receive by Intinction, receiving the Host into your hands and leaving it there; the Deacon will take it and dip it in the Chalice and place it onto your tongue.
- 3. You may receive only the Host of itself, either in your hands or on your tongue. Our Lord is equally present in either Form.

As a precaution and courtesy to others and for your own safety, we respectfully request that in the event you are currently suffering from a cold or other communicable illness, please refrain from receiving from the Chalice.

For those attending remotely: Please take a moment of silence to realize the presence of Jesus Christ in your soul and make your spiritual communion.

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood have been offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.

Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so the soul of Thy servant may be healed by like faith in Thee, Whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through Thy tender mercy, Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever one God. Amen.



Paulus Gerhardt, 1656; Tr. Robert Bridges, 1899

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## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

By traditional use, prayed by the Priest. By St. Mary's usage, the congregation may join in praying aloud:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen*.

# The Order for Evening Prayer

Minister. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and

the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah liii. 6)

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

## A General Confession (p. 21)

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 Declaration of Absolution** (p. 24, may be said by a Priest)

### 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** (p. 25)

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

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

*Minister*. Praise ye the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 69:1-22.** *Salvum me fac.* (p. 421)

SAVE me, O God; \* for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is; \* I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

I am weary of crying; my throat is dry; \* my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head; \* they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

I paid them the things that I never took: \* God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my cause; \* let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof; \* shame hath covered my face.

I am become a stranger unto my brethren, \* even an alien unto my mother's children.

For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me; \* and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

I wept, and chastened myself with fasting, \* and that was turned to my reproof.

I put on sackcloth also, \* and they jested upon me.

They that sit in the gate speak against me, \* and the drunkards make songs upon me.

But, LORD, I make my prayer unto thee \* in an acceptable time.

Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, \* even in the truth of thy salvation.

Take me out of the mire, that I sink not; \* O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up; \* and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Hear me, O LORD, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable; \* turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: \* O haste thee, and hear me.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; \* O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

Thou hast known my reproach, my shame, and my dishonour: \* mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

Reproach hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness: \* I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.

They gave me gall to eat; \* and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

# The First Lesson Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men: So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider. Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

#### **Magnificat.** *St. Luke i. 46.* (p. 26)

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, \* and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded \* the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth \* all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; \* and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him \* throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; \* he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \* and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; \* and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel; \* as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

# **The Second Lesson**

### *I Peter* 2:11

Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: As free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king. Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward. For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

### Nunc Dimittis. St. Luke ii. 29. (p. 28)

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \* according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen \* thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared \* before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \* and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

### The Apostles' Creed (p. 29)

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 Lord, save the State.

Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness. Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister.Answer.Minister.O Lord, save thy people.And bless thine inheritance.Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

Minister.O God, make clean our hearts within us.Answer.And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

# A Collect for Peace

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen*.

## A Collect for Aid against Perils

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

### A Prayer for All Conditions of Men

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen*.

# **A General Thanksgiving.** (p. 33) [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.

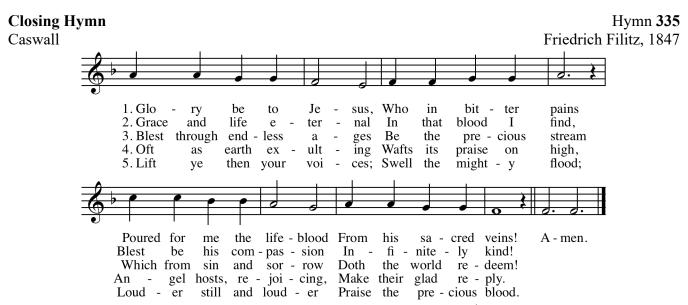
2 Cor. xiii. 14.

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.

### **Final Prayers and Blessing**

Bishop:

The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the  $\maltese$ Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.



Italian, 18th cent.; Tr. Edward Caswall, alt.

#### **Announcements**

Celebrant
Assisting
Verger and Subdeacon
Acolyte
Zoom Wrangler
Altar Guild

The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch
The Reverend Deacon John Yeager
Robert Jones
Tony Shehata
Landon Melamed
Gretchen Martin

# he was wounded for Our Transgressions

All are invited to stay for the entire service. If you must leave *prior* to the conclusion of the Liturgy of Good Friday, please absent quietly *during the singing* of a hymn, so as not to disturb others, nor the service. Thank you.

The Good Friday offering is designated for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.