

HOLY WEEK 2021

THE LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

This service will begin without introduction. Before the service begins you might like to find a cross to focus your gaze on.

THE COLLECT FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Let us pray.

Almighty Father,
look with mercy on this your family
for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the
hands of sinners
and to suffer death upon the cross;
who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PSALM

R Father, into your hands I commend my Spirit

In you, O Lord, I take refuge.
Let me never be put to shame.
In your justice set me free.
Into your hands I commend my Spirit.
It is you who will redeem me, Lord **R**

In the face of all my foes
I am a reproach,
An object of scorn to my neighbours
And of fear to my friends. **R**

Those who see me in the street
Run far away from me.
I am like a dead man, forgotten on men's hearts,
Like a thing thrown away. **R**

But as for me, I trust in you, Lord,
I say: 'You are my God.'
My life is in your hands, deliver me
From the hands of those who hate me. **R**

Let your face shine upon your servant.
Save me in your love.
Be strong, let your heart take courage,
All who hope in the Lord. **R**

DROP, DROP SLOW TEARS- GIBBONS

Drop, drop, slow tears,
and bathe those beauteous feet
which brought from heaven
the news and Prince of Peace:

Cease not, wet eyes,
his mercy to entreat;
to cry for vengeance
sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods
drown all my faults and fears;
nor let His eye
see sin, but through my tears.

Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

THE READING OF THE PASSION

John 18: 1- end of 19

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

At the end

This is the Passion of the Lord.

HOMILY

WERE YOU THERE WHEN THEY CRUCIFIED MY LORD?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Were you there when he rose from out the tomb?
Were you there when he rose from out the tomb?
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when he rose from out the tomb?

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PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS

Said slowly

**We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

**This is the wood of the cross, on which hung the Saviour of the world.
Come, let us worship.**

**O Saviour of the world,
Who by your cross and precious blood have redeemed us,
Save us and help us, we humbly pray.**

A time of silence follows

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE CONCLUSION

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



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