

The Good Friday Liturgy

*Words in **Bold Type** are said by all*

The ministers enter in silence

THE PREPARATION

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Canticle: Saviour of the World

Jesus, Saviour of the world,
come to us in your mercy:
we look to you to save and help us.

**By your cross and your life laid down,
you set your people free:
we look to you to save and help us.**

When they were ready to perish,
you saved your disciples:
we look to you to come to our help.

**In the greatness of your mercy,
loose us from our chains,
forgive the sins of all your people.**

Make yourself known as our Saviour
and mighty deliverer;
save and help us that we may praise you.

**Come now and dwell with us,
Lord Christ Jesus:
hear our prayer and be with us always.**

And when you come in your glory:
make us to be one with you
and to share the life of your kingdom.

The Collect for Good Friday

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 wicked men 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

Hymn [There is a green hill far away]

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Isaiah 52.13 - 53.12*

Psalm 22: 1-11

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, •
and are so far from my salvation,
from the words of my distress?

**O my God, I cry in the daytime,
but you do not answer; •
and by night also, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are the Holy One, •
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

**Our forebears trusted in you; •
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

They cried out to you and were delivered; •
they put their trust in you and were not
confounded.

**But as for me, I am a worm and no man, •
scorned by all and despised by the people.**

All who see me laugh me to scorn; •
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

**'He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; •
let him deliver him, if he delights in him.'**

But it is you that took me out of the womb •
and laid me safe upon my mother's breast.

**On you was I cast ever since I was born; •
you are my God even from my mother's womb.**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near at hand •
and there is none to help.

Second Reading *Hebrews 10.12-22*

Hymn [Glory be to Jesus]

Passion Gospel *John 18.1-19.42*

Silence

Sermon

Hymn [Rock of ages, cleft for me]

Prayers of Intercession

*The Solemn Prayers of Good Friday are said.
This response is used:*

Lord hear us

Lord graciously hear us

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS

*A wooden cross is brought into the church
and placed in the sight of the people.*

*Persons may approach the cross and offer a
reverence of their choice – a bow, a kiss, a touch.*

Hymn [When I survey the wondrous cross]

The minister leads these devotions.

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and praise you for your mighty resurrection;

**by virtue of your cross
joy has come into our world.**

God be gracious to us and bless us:
make his face shine upon us,

Let your ways be made known on earth:
your liberating power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God:
all the peoples praise you.

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and praise you for your mighty resurrection;
**by virtue of your cross
joy has come into our world.**

Almighty God,
as we stand at the foot of the cross of your Son,
may we know your love for us,
that in humility, love and joy
we may place at his feet
all that we have and all that we are;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Hymn [Take up thy cross, the Saviour said]

A collection may be taken.

THE CONCLUSION

The minister says

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray
you to set your passion, cross, and death between
your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour
of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living;
pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church
peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting
life and glory; for you live and reign now and for
ever. **Amen**

Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus we see the cost
of our sin and the depth of your love: in humble
hope and fear may we place at his feet all that we
have and all that we are, through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom
in the words our Saviour taught us.

**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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen**

Most merciful God, who by the death and
resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered
and saved mankind: grant that by faith in him who
suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the
power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

The ministers depart in silence