

**The Way of the Cross: Order of Prayer**

Wednesday 14 February, 2018

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We confess to you, Almighty God, that we have greatly sinned; in turn with the crowds before Pontius Pilate, we too, by our sin, have condemned your Son to death. O Lord, have mercy upon us as we pray together:

**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.**

Let us ask our blessed mother to pray for us to the Lord our God, that through his great mercy we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ:

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

We praise you O God, for in your love for us you have freely chosen not to look on our sin, but to save us through the life, death and resurrection of your Son.

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

Let us commit ourselves to penance as we profess our faith:

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.**

My dear brothers and sisters, let us go forth in this season of penance to examine our own hearts, and let us commit ourselves to repentance through the power of God's grace.

May the Lord bless us, keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.