

The Way of the Cross: Order of Prayer

Friday 23 February, 2018

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

Blessed Mary, though it pained you to watch your Son carry his cross to Calvary, you knew his mission. As he walked to his death, he ordained you as the mother not only of himself, but of all disciples. Pray for us therefore, that we too may come to a deeper understanding of Christ's passion and glory, in which we may commit ourselves to repentance:

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.

Almighty God, for our sake you sent your Son to suffer as he met his mother on the road to Calvary. Bring us into your kingdom, through his passion, 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.

“Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel.”

Luke 2:34 (RSV)

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.

We profess the faith which saves us, through the merit of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**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.**

Let us go forth in this season of penance, reflecting upon our Lord's grace and love for us.

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