

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

Wednesday 28 February, 2018

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

Lord Jesus Christ, through your grace you have called your Church to an active role in your ministry. As Simon walked with you in your suffering, so too do you call us to walk with those who suffer today. Give us the grace therefore we pray, so as to show forth your love effectively in this vocation. As you commanded, so we pray:

**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.**

Blessed Mary, you rejoice in praying for us to your Son, that we may grow in his likeness for the glory of God the Father.

**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.**

“Whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.” (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.**

In his great love, God the Father has ordained that people from all nations should rejoice in the faith of the Church:

**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 service, firmly resolved to walk with those who suffer, for the glory of God the Father.

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