

# Morning and Evening Prayer

## Friday of the Passion of the Lord



V. Behold the wood of the Cross,  
on which hung the salvation of the world.  
R. Come, let us adore.

—Good Friday, #15, *The Roman Missal*

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## MORNING PRAYER

STAND

### OPENING VERSICLE

All make the Sign of the Cross as the leader begins.

LEADER: God, † come to my assistance.

ALL: Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.



HYMN

O Sacred Head Surrounded

1. O Sa - cred Head, sur - round - ed By crown of pierc - ing thorn!  
2. O Je - sus, we a - dore thee, Up - on the cross our King!

1. O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!  
2. We hum - bly bow be - fore thee, And of thy vic - t'ry sing!

1. The pow'r of death comes o'er you, The glow of life de - cays,  
2. Thy cross is our sal - va - tion, Our hope from day to day,

1. Yet an - gel hosts a - dore you, And trem - ble as they gaze.  
2. Our peace and con - so - la - tion When life shall fade a - way.

Text: 76 76 D; *Salve caput cruentatum*; acsr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153.  
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Music: Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612; adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750.

*SIT*

*After a moment of silence, prayer continues with the psalms.*

**PSALM 51**

*Antiphon (all):* God did not spare his own Son,  
but gave him up for our sake.

GROUP 1: Have mercy on me,  
God in your kindness.  
In your compassion  
blot out my offense.  
O wash me more and more  
from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin.

GROUP 2: My offenses truly I know them;  
my sin is always before me.  
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;  
what is evil in your sight I have done.

GROUP 1: That you may be justified  
when you give sentence  
and be without reproach  
when you judge.  
O see, in guilt I was born,  
a sinner was I conceived.

GROUP 2: Indeed you love truth in the heart;  
then in the secret of my heart  
teach me wisdom.  
O purify me, then I shall be clean;  
O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.

GROUP 1: Make me hear rejoicing and gladness,  
that the bones you have crushed  
may revive.  
From my sins turn away your face  
and blot out all my guilt.

GROUP 2: A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away  
from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

GROUP 1: Give me again the joy of your help;  
with a spirit of fervor sustain me,  
that I may teach transgressors your ways  
and sinners may return to you.

GROUP 2: O rescue me, God, my helper,  
and my tongue  
shall ring out your goodness.  
O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare your praise.

GROUP 1: For in sacrifice you take no delight,  
burnt offering from me  
you would refuse,  
my sacrifice, a contrite spirit.  
A humbled, contrite heart  
you will not spurn.

GROUP 2: In your goodness, show favor to Zion;  
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.  
Then you will be pleased  
with lawful sacrifice,  
holocausts offered on your altar.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Antiphon (all):* God did not spare his own Son,  
but gave him up for our sake.

*SHARED SILENT REFLECTION*

**CANTICLE: HABAKKUK 3:2-4, 13A, 15-19**

*Antiphon (all):* Jesus Christ loved us,  
and poured out his own blood for us  
to wash away our sins.

LEADER: O lord, I have heard your renown,  
and feared, O Lord, your work.  
In the course of the years revive it,  
in the course of the years  
make it known;  
in your wrath remember compassion!

ALL: God comes from Teman,  
the Holy One from Mount Paran.  
Covered are the heavens with his glory,  
and with his praise the earth is filled.

LEADER: His splendor spreads like the light;  
rays shine forth from beside him,  
where his power is concealed.  
You come forth to save your people,  
to save your anointed one.

ALL: You tread the sea with your steed  
amid the churning of the deep waters.  
I hear, and my body trembles;  
at the sound, my lips quiver.

LEADER: Decay invades my bones,  
my legs tremble beneath me.  
I await the day of distress  
that will come upon  
the people who attack us.

ALL: For though the fig tree blossoms not  
nor fruit be on the vines,  
though the yield of the olive fail  
and the terraces  
produce no nourishment,

LEADER: Though the flocks disappear  
from the fold  
and there be no herd in the stalls,  
yet will I rejoice in the Lord  
and exult in my saving God

ALL: God, my Lord, is my strength;  
he makes my feet swift as those of hinds  
and enables me to go upon the heights.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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and poured out his own blood for us  
to wash away our sins.

*SHARED SILENT REFLECTION*

## PSALM 147:12–20

*Antiphon (all):* We worship your cross, O Lord,  
and we praise and glorify  
your holy resurrection,  
for the word of the cross  
has brought joy to the world.

LEADER: O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!

GROUP 1: He has strengthened the bars  
of your gates,  
he has blessed the children within you.  
He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.

GROUP 2: He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command.  
He showers down snow white as wool,  
he scatters hoar-frost like ashes.

GROUP 1: He hurls down hailstones like crumbs.  
The waters are frozen at his touch;  
he sends forth his word  
and it melts them:  
at the breath of his mouth  
the waters flow.

GROUP 2: He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus  
with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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and we praise and glorify  
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*SHARED SILENT REFLECTION*

## READING FROM SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 53:13-15*

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

See, my servant shall prosper,  
he shall be raised high and greatly exalted.  
Even as many were amazed at him—  
so marred was his look beyond that of man,  
and his appearance beyond that of mortals—  
So shall he startle many nations,  
because of him kings shall stand speechless;  
For those who have not been told shall see,  
those who have not heard shall ponder it.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

## SHARED SILENT REFLECTION

### ANTIPHON

*In place of the Responsory the following is said:*

LEADER: For our sake Christ was obedient,  
ALL: accepting even death, death on a cross.

### STAND

### GOSPEL CANTICLE (BENEDICTUS)

LEADER: Over his head  
they hung their accusation:  
Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the canticle begins.*

ALL: Blessed be † the Lord,  
the God of Israel;  
he has come to his people  
and set them free,

LEADER: He has raised up for us a mighty savior,  
born of the house of his servant David.

ALL: Through his holy prophets  
he promised of old  
that he would save us from our enemies  
from the hands of all who hate us.

LEADER: He promised to show mercy  
to our fathers  
and to remember his holy covenant.

ALL: This was the oath he swore to our father  
Abraham:  
to set us free from the hands  
of our enemies,  
free to worship him without fear,  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

LEADER: You, my child, shall be called  
the prophet of the Most High:  
for you will go before the Lord  
to prepare his way,

ALL: to give his people knowledge  
of salvation  
by the forgiveness of their sins.

LEADER: In the tender compassion  
of our God  
the dawn from on high  
shall break upon us,  
to shine on those who dwell in darkness  
and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet  
into the way of peace.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Antiphon (all):* Over his head  
they hung their accusation:  
Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.



## INTERCESSIONS

LEADER: For our sake  
our Redeemer suffered death  
and was buried, and rose again.  
With heartfelt love  
let us adore him, and pray:

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our teacher,  
for our sake you were obedient  
even to accepting death,  
teach us to obey the Father's will  
in all things.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our life,  
by your death on the cross  
you destroyed the power  
of evil and death,  
may we die with you,  
to rise with you in glory.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our King,  
you became an outcast among us,  
a worm and no man,  
teach us the humility  
by which you saved the world.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our salvation,  
you gave yourself up to death  
out of love for us,  
help us to show your love  
to one another.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our Savior,  
on the cross you embraced all time  
with your outstretched arms,  
unite God's scattered children  
in your kingdom of salvation.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Christ our healer,  
you went about curing the sick  
out of love for your people,  
strengthen and heal all who suffer.

ALL: Lord, have mercy on us.

*Other intercessions may be added.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

LEADER: With longing for the coming  
of God's kingdom,  
let us offer our prayer to the Father:

ALL: Our Father . . .

## CONCLUDING PRAYER (COLLECT)

LEADER: Father,  
look with love upon your people,  
the love which our Lord Jesus Christ  
showed us  
when he delivered himself to evil men  
and suffered the agony of the cross,  
for he lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the leader says:*

LEADER: May the Lord bless us, †  
protect us from all evil  
and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

LEADER: Go and announce  
the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

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## EVENING PRAYER

Evening Prayer is said only by those who do not participate in the celebration of the Lord's Passion.

STAND

### OPENING VERSICLE

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ALL: Lord, make haste to help me.

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and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

HYMN

Were You There



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?      Were you  
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?      Were you  
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?      Were you



1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?      Oh!  
2. there when they nailed him to the tree?      Oh!  
3. there when they laid him in the tomb?      Oh!



1-3. Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: 10 10 14 10. Text and music: African American Spiritual

*SIT*

*After a moment of silence, prayer continues with the psalms.*

**PSALM 116:10–19**

*Antiphon (all):* Look well, all you peoples,  
and see my suffering.

GROUP 1: I trusted even when I said:  
“I am sorely afflicted,”  
and when I said in my alarm:  
“No man can be trusted.”

GROUP 2: How can I repay the Lord  
for his goodness to me?  
This cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord’s name.

GROUP 1: My vows to the Lord I will fulfill  
before all his people.  
O precious in the eyes of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful.

GROUP 2: Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds.  
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:  
I will call on the Lord’s name.

GROUP 1: My vows to the Lord I will fulfill  
before all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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and see my suffering.

*SHARED SILENT REFLECTION*

**PSALM 143:1–11**

*Antiphon (all):* My soul is in anguish,  
my heart is in torment.

LEADER: Lord, listen to my prayer:  
turn your ear to my appeal.  
You are faithful, you are just;  
give answer.  
Do not call your servant to judgment  
for no one is just in your sight.

ALL: The enemy pursues my soul;  
he has crushed my life to the ground;  
he has made me dwell in darkness  
like the dead, long forgotten.  
Therefore my spirit fails;  
my heart is numb within me.

LEADER: I remember the days that are past:  
I ponder all your works.  
I muse on what your hand has wrought  
and to you I stretch out my hands.  
Like a parched land  
my soul thirsts for you.

ALL: Lord, make haste and answer;  
for my spirit fails within me.  
Do not hide your face  
lest I become like those in the grave.

LEADER: In the morning let me know your love  
for I put my trust in you.  
Make me know the way I should walk:  
to you I lift up my soul.

ALL: Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies;  
I have fled to you for refuge.  
Teach me to do your will  
for you, O Lord, are my God.  
Let your good spirit guide me  
in ways that are level and smooth.

LEADER: For your name’s sake, Lord,  
save my life;  
in your justice  
save my soul from distress.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen

*Antiphon (all):* My soul is in anguish,  
my heart is in torment.

SHARED SILENT REFLECTION

**CANTICLE: PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11**

*Antiphon (all):* When Jesus had taken the vinegar,  
he said:  
“It is accomplished.”  
Then he bowed his head and died.

LEADER: Though he was in the form of God,  
Jesus did not deem equality with God  
something to be grasped at.

GROUP 1: Rather, he emptied himself  
and took the form of a slave,  
being born in the likeness of men.

GROUP 2: He was known to be of human estate,  
and it was thus  
that he humbled himself,  
obediently accepting even death,  
death on a cross!

GROUP 1: Because of this  
God highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name  
above every other name,

GROUP 2: So that at Jesus’ name  
every knee must bend  
in the heavens, on the earth,  
and under the earth,  
and every tongue proclaim  
to the glory of God the Father:  
**JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!**

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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he said:  
“It is accomplished.”  
Then he bowed his head and died.

SHARED SILENT REFLECTION

**READING FROM SCRIPTURE**

*1 Peter 2:21-24*

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Christ suffered for you and left you an example, to have you follow in his footsteps. He did no wrong; no deceit was found in his mouth. When he was insulted, he returned no insult. When he was made to suffer, he did not counter with threats. Instead, he delivered himself up to the One who judges justly. In his own body he brought your sins to the cross, so that all of us, dead to sin, could live in accord with God’s will. By his wounds you were healed.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

SHARED SILENT REFLECTION

**ANTIPHON**

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ALL: accepting even death, death on a cross.

STAND

**GOSPEL CANTICLE (MAGNIFICAT)**

LEADER: When we were his enemies,  
God reconciled us to himself  
by the death of his Son.

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the canticle begins.*

ALL: My soul † proclaims  
the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior  
for he has looked with favor  
on his lowly servant.

LEADER: From this day  
all generations will call me blessed:  
the Almighty has done great things  
for me,  
and holy is his Name.

ALL: He has mercy on those who fear him  
in every generation.

LEADER: He has shown the strength of his arm,  
he has scattered the proud  
in their conceit.

ALL: He has cast down the mighty  
from their thrones,  
and has lifted up the lowly.

LEADER: He has filled the hungry  
with good things,  
and the rich he has sent away empty.

ALL: He has come to the help  
of his servant Israel  
for he has remembered  
his promise of mercy,  
the promise he made to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Antiphon (all):* When we were his enemies,  
God reconciled us to himself  
by the death of his Son.



## SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

*On Good Friday, the Liturgy of the Hours permits the Solemn Intercessions from the celebration of the Lord's Passion to be used, or silent prayer may be offered.*

### I. For the Holy Church

LEADER:

Let us pray, dearly beloved,  
for the holy Church of God,  
that our God and Lord be pleased to give her peace,  
to guard her and to unite her  
throughout the whole world  
and grant that, leading our life in tranquility and quiet,  
we may glorify God the Father almighty.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who in Christ revealed your glory to all the nations,  
watch over the works of your mercy,  
that your Church, spread throughout all the world,  
may persevere with steadfast faith  
in confessing your name.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### II. For the Pope

LEADER:

Let us pray also for our most Holy Father Pope Francis,  
that our God and Lord,  
who chose him for the Order of Bishops,  
may keep him safe and unharmed  
for the Lord's holy Church,  
to govern the holy People of God.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
by whose decree all things are founded,  
look with favor on our prayers  
and in your kindness protect the Pope chosen for us,  
that, under him, the Christian people,  
governed by you their maker,  
may grow in merit by reason of their faith.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### III. For all orders and degrees of the faithful

LEADER:

Let us pray also for our Bishop **N.**,\*  
for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons of the Church  
and for the whole of the faithful people.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is sanctified and governed,  
hear our humble prayer for your ministers,  
that, by the gift of your grace,  
all may serve you faithfully.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### IV. For Catechumens

LEADER:

Let us pray also for [our] catechumens,  
that our God and Lord  
may open wide the ears of their inmost hearts  
and unlock the gates of his mercy,  
that, having received forgiveness of all their sins  
through the waters of rebirth,  
they, too, may be one with Christ Jesus our Lord.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who make your Church ever fruitful  
with new offspring,  
increase the faith and understanding  
of [our] catechumens,  
that, reborn in the font of Baptism,  
they may be added to the number  
of your adopted children.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### V. For the unity of Christians

LEADER:

Let us pray also for all our brothers and sisters  
who believe in Christ,  
that our God and Lord may be pleased,  
as they live the truth,

to gather them together  
and keep them in his one Church.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who gather what is scattered  
and keep together what you have gathered,  
look kindly on the flock of your Son,  
that those whom one Baptism has consecrated  
may be joined together by integrity of faith  
and united in the bond of charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### VI. For the Jewish People

LEADER:

Let us pray also for the Jewish people,  
to whom the Lord our God spoke first,  
that he may grant them to advance in love of his name  
and in faithfulness to his covenant.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who bestowed your promises on Abraham  
and his descendants,  
graciously hear the prayers of your Church,  
that the people you first made your own  
may attain the fullness of redemption.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### VII. For those who do not believe in Christ

LEADER:

Let us pray also for those who do not believe in Christ,  
that, enlightened by the Holy Spirit,  
they, too, may enter on the way of salvation.

*All pray in silence.*



LEADER:  
Almighty ever-living God,  
grant to those who do not confess Christ  
that, by walking before you with a sincere heart,  
they may find the truth  
and that we ourselves, being constant in mutual love  
and striving to understand more fully  
the mystery of your life,  
may be made more perfect witnesses to your love  
in the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### **VIII. For those who do not believe in God**

LEADER:  
Let us pray also for those  
who do not acknowledge God,  
that, following what is right in sincerity of heart,  
they may find the way to God himself.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:  
Almighty ever-living God,  
who created all people  
to seek you always by desiring you  
and, by finding you, come to rest,  
grant, we pray,  
that, despite every harmful obstacle,  
all may recognize the signs of your fatherly love  
and the witness of the good works  
done by those who believe in you,  
and so in gladness confess you,  
the one true God and Father of our human race.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### **IX. For those in public office**

LEADER:  
Let us pray also for those in public office,  
that our God and Lord  
may direct their minds and hearts according to his will  
for the true peace and freedom of all.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:  
Almighty ever-living God,  
in whose hand lies every human heart  
and the rights of peoples,  
look with favor, we pray,  
on those who govern with authority over us,  
that throughout the whole world,  
the prosperity of peoples,  
the assurance of peace,  
and freedom of religion  
may through your gift be made secure.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### **X. For those in tribulation**

LEADER:  
Let us pray, dearly beloved,  
to God the Father almighty,  
that he may cleanse the world of all errors,  
banish disease, drive out hunger,  
unlock prisons, loosen fetters,  
granting to travelers safety, to pilgrims return,  
health to the sick, and salvation to the dying.

*All pray in silence.*

LEADER:  
Almighty ever-living God,  
comfort of mourners, strength of all who toil,  
may the prayers of those who cry out in any tribulation  
come before you,  
that all may rejoice,  
because in their hour of need  
your mercy was at hand.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### **XI. For an end to the pandemic**

LEADER:  
Let us pray, dearly beloved, for a swift end  
to the coronavirus pandemic that afflicts our world,  
that our God and Father will heal the sick,  
strengthen those who care for them,  
and help us all to persevere in faith.

*All pray in silence.*



LEADER:  
Almighty and merciful God,  
source of all life, health and healing,  
look with compassion on our world,  
brought low by disease;  
protect us in the midst  
of the grave challenges that assail us  
and in your providence  
grant recovery to the stricken,  
strength to those who care for them,  
and success to those working to eradicate this scourge.  
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

LEADER: With longing for the coming  
of God's kingdom,  
let us offer our prayer to the Father:

ALL: Our Father . . .

### CONCLUDING PRAYER (COLLECT)

LEADER: Father,  
look with love upon your people,  
the love which our Lord Jesus Christ  
showed us  
when he delivered himself to evil men  
and suffered the agony of the cross,  
for he lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

### BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the leader says:*

LEADER: May the Lord bless us, †  
protect us from all evil  
and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

LEADER: Go and announce  
the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.



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