



**PURIFICATION &
ENLIGHTENMENT:
HOLY WEEK**

RCIA

April 7, 2020



John 13:33-38

Journaling

Jesus answered, “Will you lay down your life for me?” This is how Jesus responded to Peter’s promise that he would lay down his life for Him.

1. *In what way is Jesus asking me to lay down my life for Him?*

And Jesus, likewise, added, “I tell you the cock will not crow before you deny me three times.” These words originally directed to Peter are words Jesus speaks now to us.

2. *In what way have I denied Jesus?*

At the foot of the Cross

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/ascension-lenten-companion-holy-week/>

Faith Sharing



Journaling for “Spy Wednesday”

3. *We walk out of Lent as we walked into it, redeemed sinners, beloved of God.*
 - ❖ *Where are you tempted to complacency?*
 - ❖ *Where are you too hard on yourself?*
 - ❖ *Where do you desire God to hold you up in the days that will follow, into Easter and beyond?*
 - ❖ *What has God accomplished in your life this Lent, and what does he wish to make manifest to you in the crucible of the Triduum?*

Journaling for Holy Thursday

4. How often do you find yourself responding to an offer of assistance with a quick, “Thanks, but I don’t need any help”? We are often happy to care for or help others, but reluctant to accept care or help in return.
- ❖ What stops you from accepting God’s tender care and help?

Prayer: You have commanded us to care for one another’s daily needs. Grant us the strength to bend down before our sisters and brothers and wash their feet, and the humility to let our feet be washed in return.

Journaling for Good Friday

4. *What is it that keeps you from handing your whole life over to God?*

Prayer: *Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our lives, our spirits, and our souls. Keep watch for us when the darkness encroaches, and keep us safe under your wings when we can no longer keep vigil for ourselves.*

Journaling for Holy Saturday

4. *Share with God your feelings about your reception of sacraments being delayed indefinitely? Listen to God's response to you and record his message to you.*

Prayer: *Brighten our ordinary days, O Lord, with your light. Breathe in us, that we might find hope when we are stretched to our limit, and give us strength, that we might sing to you all the days of our life.*

Journaling for Easter Sunday

4. *Pray Psalm 97 with its images of an earth trembling, the mountains melting, and the earth rejoicing that the Lord is king. What do you desire to see this Easter?*

Prayer: *I believe in one lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages
God from God, Light from Light...*

**TAKE
A BREAK**