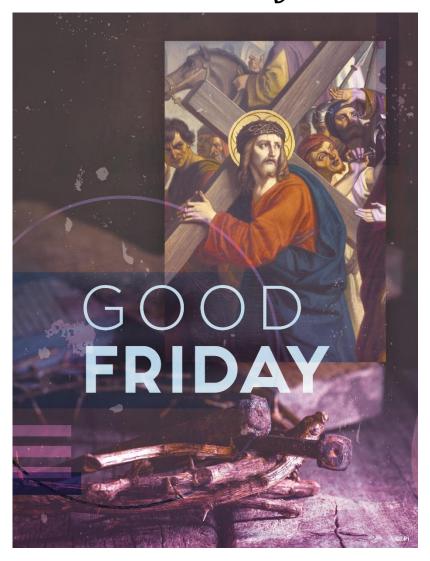
THE PASSION OF THE LORD Good Friday



FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH AT 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church Salem, Virginia "On this day, when 'Christ our passover was sacrificed', (63) the Church meditates on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, venerates the Cross, commemorates her origin from the side of Christ on the Cross, and intercedes for the salvation of the whole world."

-Circular Letter #64

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

As we left last night in silence, so we begin tonight in silence.

When the priest and deacon reach the altar area, they will lie prostrate at the altar as a sign of humility and service. If you are able, please kneel at this time. When they stand, please rise with them.

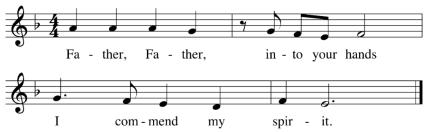
PRAYER

(sit)

FIRST READING Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 31



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SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

(stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Music: Charles Gardner © 1992, 1993, World Library Publications.

Deacon: The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

You may be seated for the reading of the Passion. Please participate as the part of the crowd using the separate Passion booklets. At the point in the narrative when Jesus dies, all are invited to kneel for a time of silent reflection.

Gospel: John 18:1 - 19:42

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

(stand)

THE SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

Tonight's intercessions are unique to the Triduum.

- I. For Holy Church
- II. For the Pope
- III. For all orders and degrees of the faithful
- IV. For catechumens
- V. For the unity of Christians
- VI. For the Jewish people
- VII. For those who do not believe in Christ
- VIII. For those who do not believe in God
 - IX. For those in public office
 - X. For those in tribulation

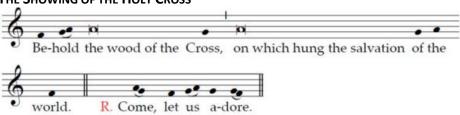
Priest: ...through Christ our Lord. People:



(sit)

THE ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

THE SHOWING OF THE HOLY CROSS



The wood of the cross is placed before us so that we may reverence this symbol of our salvation. You may venerate the cross with a kiss, a bow, a genuflection, or a touch.





Faith-ful Cross the Saints re - ly on, no-ble tree be - yond com-pare!



Nev-er was there such a sci-on, nev-er leaf or flow'r so rare.





Verses

- Sing, my tongue, in exultation Of our banner and device!
 Make a solemn proclamation Of a triumph and its price:
 How the Savior of creation Conquered by his sacrifice! *To refrain I*
- 2. For, when Adam first offended, Eating that forbidden fruit, Not all hopes of glory ended With the serpent at the root: Broken nature would be mended By a second tree and shoot. *To refrain II*
- 3. Thus the tempter was outwitted By a wisdom deeper still: Remedy and ailment fitted, Means to cure and means to kill; That the world might be acquitted, Christ would do his Father's will. *To refrain I*
- 4. So the Father, out of pity For our self-inflicted doom, Sent him from the heav'nly city When the holy time had come: He, the Son and the Almighty, Took our flesh in Mary's womb. *To refrain II*
- 5. Hear a tiny baby crying, Founder of the seas and strands; See his virgin Mother tying Cloth around his feet and hands; Find him in a manger lying tightly Wrapped in swaddling-bands! *To refrain I*
- 6. So he came, the long-expected, Not in glory, not to reign; Only born to be rejected, Choosing hunger, toil and pain, Till the scaffold was erected And the Paschal Lamb was slain. *To refrain II*
- 7. No disgrace was too abhorrent: Nailed and mocked and parched he died; Blood and water, double warrant, Issue from his wounded side, Washing in a mighty torrent Earth and stars and oceantide. *To refrain I*

^{*}Refrains I and II are sung consecutively first and last times through.

- 8. Lofty timber, smooth your roughness, Flex your boughs for blossoming; Let your fibers lose their toughness, Gently let your tendrils cling; Lay aside your native gruffness, Clasp the body of your king! *To refrain II*
- 9. Noblest tree of all created, Richly jeweled and embossed: Post by Lamb's blood consecrated; Spar that saves the tempest-tossed; Scaffold-beam which, elevated, Carries what the world has cost! *To refrain I*

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HOLY COMMUNION

On this day, we partake of the Body of the Lord Jesus. Since there is no consecration today, we use the hosts reserved from our Holy Thursday Mass. We again let the Lord touch our deepest hungers in this holy meal.

(stand)

OUR FATHER

People: 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.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord ... for the coming of our Savior, Jesus

Christ.

People: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

(kneel)

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the

sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper

of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my

roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be

healed.



Catholics who are prepared to receive the Eucharist are invited forward to receive Communion at this time. If you are Catholic but not prepared to receive the Eucharist, or if you are not Catholic, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest, and we will share a short prayer with you.



POST-COMMUNION SONG ADORAMUS TE CHRISTE











(stand)

CLOSING PRAYER

FINAL BLESSING

Tonight, just as last night, there is no concluding rite, no dismissal. Until our Easter Vigil liturgy begins, it is appropriate to bow to the cross as a sign of reverence. As you leave, please maintain silence throughout the building.