

Good Friday



Entrance

On this day the ministers enter in silence.

All then kneel for silent prayer, after which the Priest stands and begins the liturgy with the Collect of the Day.

Collect of the Day

Priest Blessed be our God

People **For ever and ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your people, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer for Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that hearing, we may discern your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen**

Hymn - sing three times

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Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

Hebrews 10:16-25

The author of Hebrews shows us that Christ's life, death, and resurrection have opened for us the possibility of a new kind of relationship with God

Psalm 22 *Deus, Deus meus*

a powerful hymn addressed to God, beseeching deliverance in a time of desperate need

Passion Gospel of St John

We hear again the central story of our faith, how Jesus was betrayed by one who professed his love for Jesus and how he was arrested, tortured and executed to appease the fears of those in power.

All may be seated for the reading of the Passion Gospel. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha all stand.

Hymn

O Sacred Head Sore Wounded

Hymnal 168

Solemn Collects

All stand.

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent Jesus into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life. We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

All kneel (as you are able)

Intercessor Let us pray for the holy universal church of Christ throughout the world; For its unity in witness and service
For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve

For DeDe, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese, and
For all Christians in this community
That God will confirm the Church in faith, increase it in love,
and preserve it in peace.

Silence

All **Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole
body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified:
Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before
you for all members of your holy Church, that in their
vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you;
through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.**

Intercessor Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for
those in authority among them;
For the President of the United States
For the Congress and the Supreme Court
For all who serve the common good
For our enemies, that by God's help they may seek justice and
truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

All **Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of
peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel
for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion
may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of
your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Intercessor Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in
mind; For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the
oppressed
For the sick and the wounded

For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish
For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair
For the sorrowful and bereaved
For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger
That God's mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant
them the knowledge of God's love, and stir up in us the will
and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

All **Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Intercessor Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;
For those who have never heard the word of salvation
For those who have lost their faith
For those hurt by the church
For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others
That God will mend their hearts, that they might know the
healing and wholeness of Christ's love

Silence

All **Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one**

flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Intercessor

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

All

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn - Sing Three Times

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O Lord hear my pray'r, O Lord hear my pray'r.

When I call, an - swer me. O Lord hear my pray'r. O

Lord hear my pray'r, Come and lis - ten to me. O

Fine

Veneration of the Cross

All stand.

Priest

We glory in your cross, O Lord,

People

**and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross
joy has come to the whole world.**

Priest

May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

People

**Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.**

Priest Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

People **We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross
joy has come to the whole world.**

Priest O Savior of the world,
who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us:

People **Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.**

Closing Hymn

At the Cross, Her Vigil Keeping

Hymnal 159

Closing Prayer

All kneel (as you are able)

The Celebrant says;

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

All leave the church in silence.

The Triduum, the Great Three Days continues tomorrow, Holy Saturday, at St Luke's at 7pm for the Great Vigil of Easter