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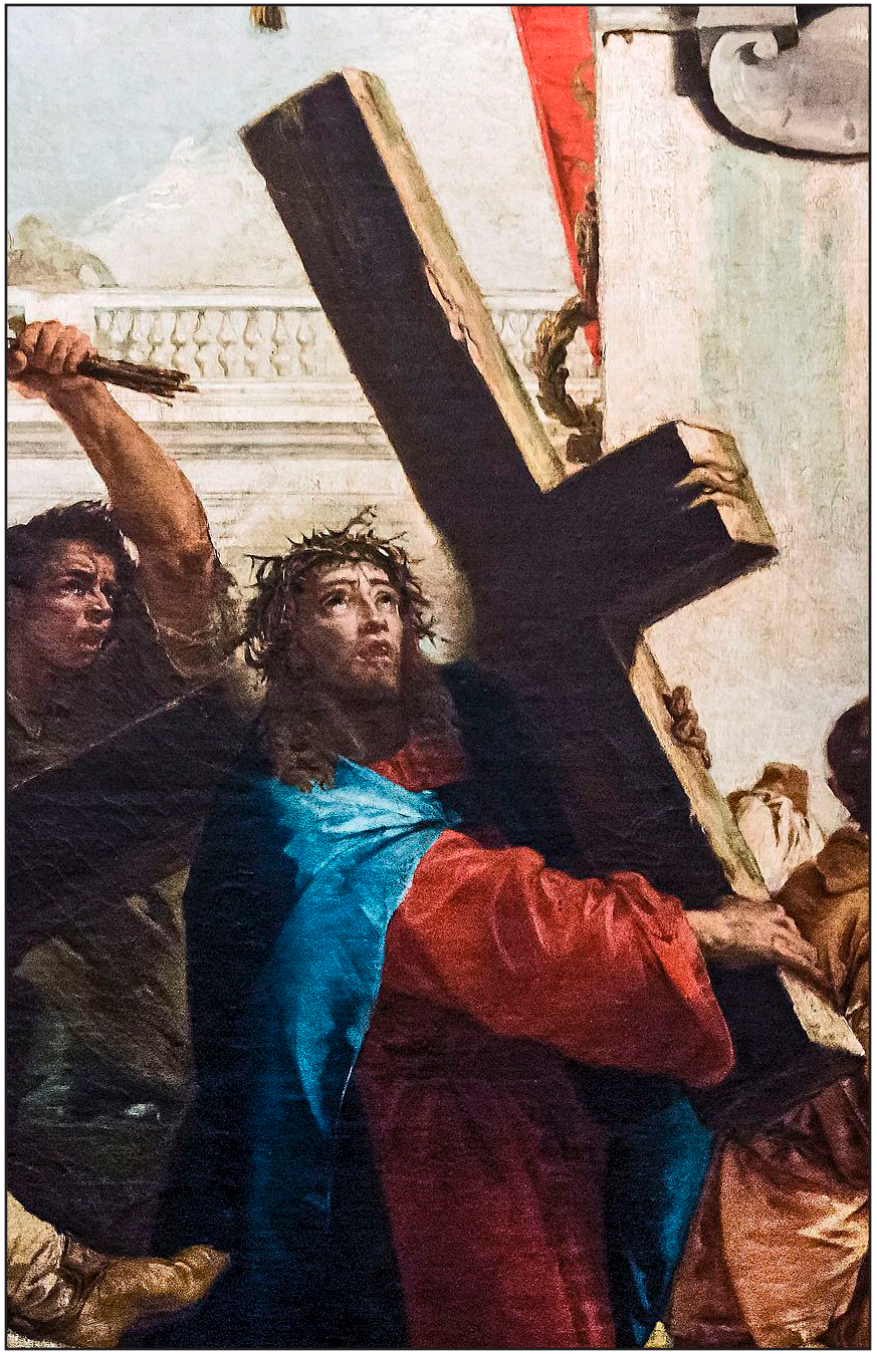


The Stations of the Cross

Christus Factus Est Pro Nobis

Obédiens Usque Ad Mortem,

Mortem Autem Crucis.

Christ became obedient

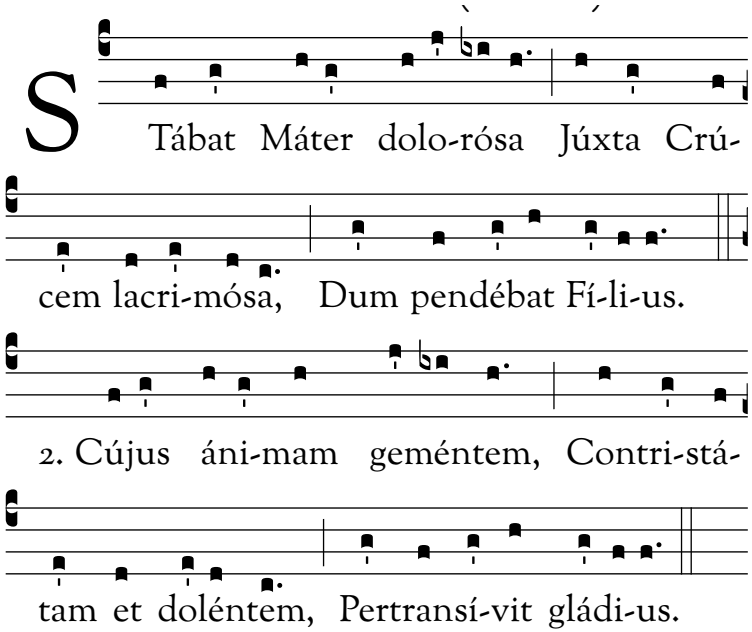
for us unto death, even to the death,

death on the cross.

Entrance Procession

(STAND)

Stabat Mater



At the Cross her station keeping,
stood the mournful Mother weeping,
close to Jesus to the last.

Through her heart, His sorrow sharing,
all His bitter anguish bearing,
now at length the sword has passed.

Preparatory Prayer

In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spffitus Sancti. Amen.

In a spirit of humility and with a contrite heart, we offer unto Thee, Eternal Father, this tribute of our worship, that it may

redound to Thy honor and glory, and may avail us and all faithful Christians, both living and dead, unto the forgiveness of sins and the attainment of life everlasting.

℣. It behooves us to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.
℟. **In Whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, who in the passion of Thy Son / didst show us the path to eternal glory by the way of the cross: / graciously grant that as by our prayers we now follow Him to the place of Calvary, / so we may also share His triumph with Him for all eternity. / Who liveth and reigneth with Thee for ever and ever. Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

O quam tristis et afflicta
Fuit illa benedícta
Mater unigéniti!

Quæ mœrébat et dolébat
Pia mater, dum vidébat
Nati pœnas ínclyti

O how sad and sore distressed
was that Mother, highly blest,
of the sole-begotten One.

Christ above in torment hangs,
she beneath beholds the pangs
of her dying glorious Son.

I

Jesus is Condemed to Death

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And in the morning the chief priests and the whole council, binding Jesus, led Him away and delivered Him to Pilate. And they all condemned Him and said: He is guilty of death. And Pilate sat in the place of judgment and delivered Him to them to be crucified.

℣. God spared not His only Son.

℟. **But delivered Him up for us all.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O Lord, Jesus Christ, / who didst come down to earth from the bosom of the Father in Heaven / and didst shed Thy precious blood for the remission of our sins; / we humbly beseech Thee, that on the day of judgment we may be found worthy to be on Thy right hand / and to hear Thy words: Come, ye blessed of My Father! / Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.**

℣. Let Us Pray

℟. **O Lord, Jesus Christ,**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

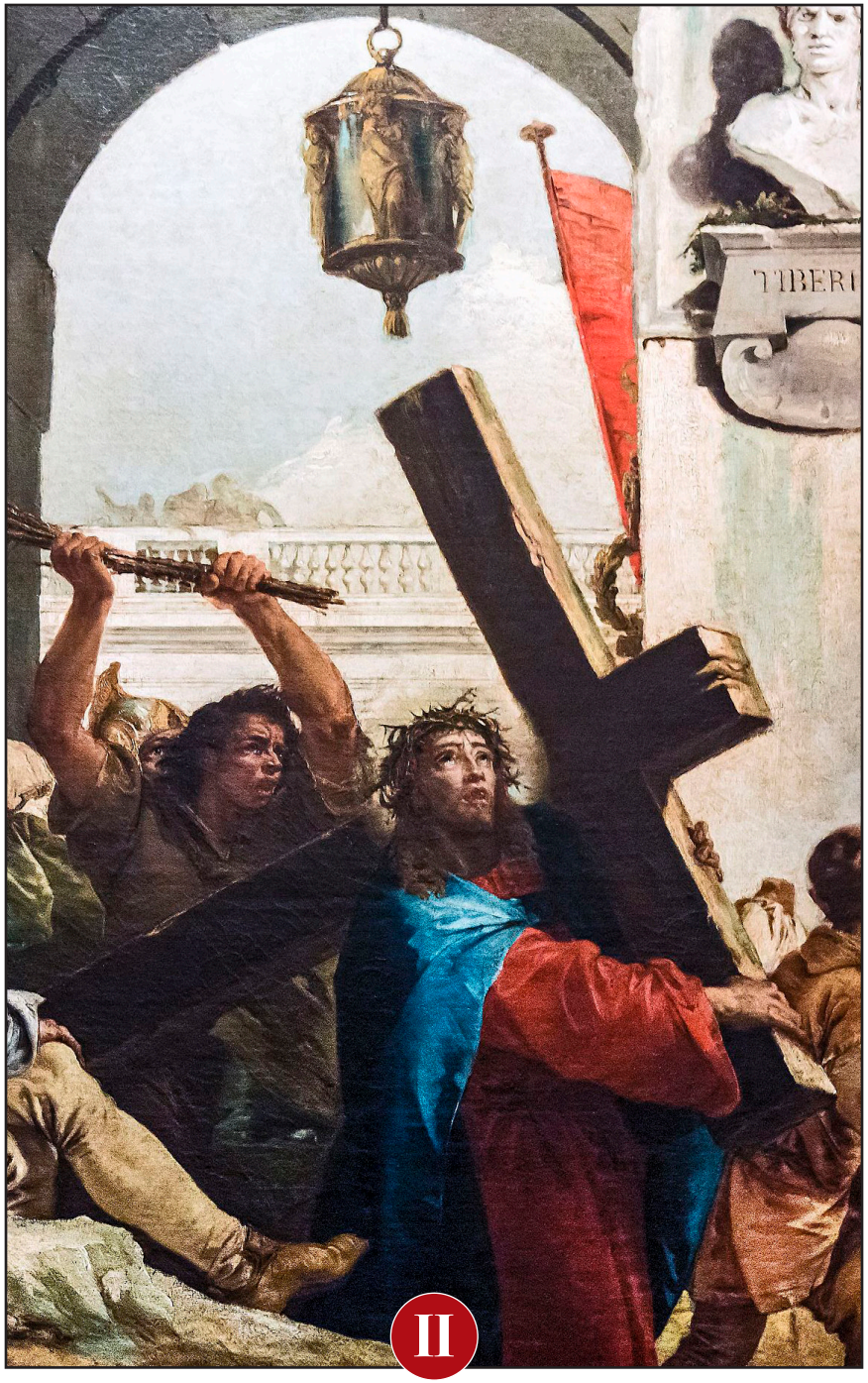
℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Quis est homo qui non fleret,
matrem Christi si videret
in tanto supplicio?

Is there one who would not weep,
whelmed in miseries so deep,
Christ's dear Mother to behold?



II

Jesus Takes Up His Cross

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And bearing His cross He went forth to that place which is called Calvary. Hail, O Christ our King! Thou alone hast had pity on the folly of our sins. Obedient to the Father, Thou art led forth to be crucified, like an innocent lamb to the slaughter. To Thee by glory; to Thee be triumph and victory; to Thee the crown of highest honor and acclaim!.

℣. The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of all.

℟. **For the wickedness of His people He hath stricken Him.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O Lord, who hast said: / My yoke is sweet and My burden is light: / grant that we may be able so to carry it as to obtain Thy grace. / Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Quis non posset contristari
Christi Matrem contemplari
dolentem cum Filio?

Can the human heart refrain
from partaking in her pain,
in that Mother's pain untold?

Jesus Falls the First Time

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled Himself unto death, even to the death of the cross. For which cause God hath exalted Him and hath given Him a name that is above every name. Come, let us adore and bow down before God, let us weep in the presence of the Lord who made us, for He is indeed the Lord our God.

℣. Surely He hath borne our infirmities.

℟. **And He hath carried our sorrows.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, / that we, who fail in so many adversities through our own weakness, / may take heart again through the pleading of the passion of Thine only-begotten Son. / Who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Pro peccatis suae gentis
vidit Iesum in tormentis,
et flagellis subditum.

Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
she beheld her tender Child
All with scourges rent.

IV

Jesus Meets His Afflicted Mother

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

To what shall I compare thee; or to what shall I liken thee, O virgin daughter of Jerusalem? For great as the sea is thy distress. O Mother of mercy, grant that we may ever realize in ourselves the death of Jesus and may share with Him in His saving passion.

℣. A sword of sorrow hath pierced thy soul.

℟. **And have filled thy heart with bitter pain.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **Oh Lord Jesus Christ, /Grant that now and in the hour of our death / We may obtain the favor of Thy mercy through the pleading of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thy Mother / Whose soul was pierced with a sword of sorrow in the hour of Thy passion / Who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Amen.**

Ave Maria...

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Vidit suum dulcem Natum
moriendo desolatum,
dum emisit spiritum.

For the sins of His own nation,
saw Him hang in desolation,
Till His spirit forth He sent.

V

Simon of Cyrene is Forced to Carry the Cross

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*
℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And as they led him away,They laid hold of a one Simon of Cyrene, A passer-by, and forced him to take up the cross of Jesus. And they laid the cross on him, to carry after Jesus.

℣. Whoever does not carry his cross and come after Me
℟. **Cannot be My disciple.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*
℟. **Receive our prayers, Oh Lord, / and in Thy mercy subdue to Thy service even our rebellious wills. / Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.
℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.
℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Eia, Mater, fons amoris
me sentire vim doloris
fac, ut tecum lugeam.

O thou Mother! fount of love!
Touch my spirit from above,
make my heart with thine accord.

Veronica wipes the face of Jesus

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

Low, we have seen Him, and there is no beauty in Him nor comeliness; He is despised and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with infirmity. His countenance is as it were hidden whereupon we esteemed Him not. His appearance is inglourious among men, and his form among the children of men. And yet he is the beautiful one above all the sons of men, and by His bruises we are healed.

℣. Turn not Thy face away from us.

℟. **And withdraw not from Thy servants in thine anger.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, who dost renew us to Thine image / by the precious blood of Jesus Christ Thy Son: / lead our footsteps in Thy paths, / so that we may truly obtain the gift of Thy divine charity. / Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fídélium ánimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Fac, ut ardeat cor meum
in amando Christum Deum
ut sibi complaceam.

Make me feel as thou hast felt;
make my soul to glow and melt
with the love of Christ my Lord.

Jesus Falls a Second Time

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*
℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

They delivered Me into the hands of the impious, they cast Me out amongst the wicked and they spared not My soul. The powerful gathered together against Me, and like giants they stood against Me. And striking Me with cruel wounds, they mocked me.

℣. But I am a worm and no man.
℟. **The reproach of men and the outcast of the people.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*
℟. **O God, who by the humility of Thy Son hast lifted up a fallen world: / grant to Thy faithful people abiding joy; / that those whom Thou hast delivered from the perils of eternal death, / may come to enjoy unending happiness. / Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.
℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.
℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Sancta Mater, istud agas,
crucifixi fige plagas
cordi meo valide.

Tui Nati vulnerati,
tam dignati pro me pati,
poenas mecum divide.

Holy Mother! pierce me through,
in my heart each wound renew
of my Savior crucified:

Let me share with thee His pain,
who for all my sins was slain,
who for me in torments died.

VIII

Jesus Meets the Women at Jerusalem

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And there followed Him a great multitude of people and of women who bewailed and lamented Him. But Jesus turning to them said: Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not over Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children..

℣. They that sow in tears.

℟. **Shall reap in joy.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, who dost choose rather to have mercy / than to be angry with those who hope in Thee: / grant that we may truly grieve for the evil we have done, / and so deserve to obtain the grace of Thy consolation / Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Fac me tecum pie flere,
crucifixo condolere,
donec ego vixero.

Let me mingle tears with thee,
mourning Him who mourned for me,
all the days that I may live.

IX

Jesus Falls the Third Time

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

My people, what have I done to thee, or in what have I grieved thee? Answer Me. I brought thee out of the land of Egypt, and thou hast led Me to the gibbet of the cross. Forty years I fed thee with manna in the desert, and thou hast beaten Me with blows and scourges. What more ought I do for thee that I have not done?

℣. He was led as a sheep to the slaughter.

℟. **And he was mute as a lamb before the shearer.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **Guard us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, / in Thine ever-present mercy; / and since without Thee weak man must fail, / keep us ever by Thy help from all things harmful, / and lead us to all things profitable unto our salvation. / Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fídélium ánimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Iuxta Crucem tecum stare,
et me tibi sociare
in planctu desidero.

By the Cross with thee to stay,
there with thee to weep and pray is
all I ask of thee to give.

X

Jesus is Stripped of His Garments

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And they came to the place that is called Golgotha, which is the place of Calvary. And they gave Him wine to drink, mingled with gall. And when He had tasted, He would not drink. And they divided His garments, casting lots; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: They divided My garments among them; and upon My vesture they cast lots.

℣. They gave me gall for my food.

℟. **And in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **Strip us, O Lord, of our former self / with its evil deeds and ways; / and clothe us with that new nature which is created after the manner of God / in justice and holiness of truth. / Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Virgo virginum praeclara,
mihi iam non sis amara,
fac me tecum plangere.

Virgin of all virgins blest!
Listen to my fond request:
let me share thy grief divine.

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, they crucified Him there, and with Him two thieves, one on the right and the other on the left, and Jesus in the midst. My people, what have I done to thee? I have exalted thee with great power, and thou hast hanged Me on the gibbet of the cross.

℣. They have pierced my hands and feet.

℟. **They have numbered all my bones.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, who by the passion of Thine only-begotten Son, / and by the five wounds from which His blood was poured, / didst repair the evil wrought by sin in our human nature: / grant, we beseech Thee, / that we who here on earth revere the wounds which He received, / may be worthy to obtain in Heaven the fruit of His most precious blood. / Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Fac, ut portem Christi mortem,
passionis fac consortem,
et plagas recolere.

Let me, to my latest breath,
in my body bear the death
of that dying Son of thine.

JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

When Jesus therefore had seen His mother and the disciple whom he loved, He said to His mother: Woman, behold thy son. After that He saith to the disciple: Behold thy mother. And Jesus, when He had taken the vinegar, said: It is consummated. And again, crying with a loud voice, He said: Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit. And bowing His head, He gave up the ghost.

Pause for a brief silent meditation...

℣. They have pierced my hands and feet.

℟. **They have numbered all my bones.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, / who at the sixth hour didst mount the gibbet of the cross for the redemption of the world, / and didst shed Thy precious blood for the remission of our sins: / grant us, we humbly beseech Thee, / that after our death we may enter with joy the gates of Paradise. / Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen**

Pater Noster...

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Fac me plagis vulnerari,
fac me Cruce inebriari,
et cruore Filii.

Wounded with His every wound,
steep my soul till it hath swooned,
in His very Blood away.

XIII

The Body of Jesus is Placed in the Arms of His Mother

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

O all ye that pass by the way, stop, and consider if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow. Mine eyes have failed with weeping; my whole being is troubled, and my strength is poured out upon the earth, as I behold the cruel death of my Son, for the enemy hath prevailed against Him. Call me not Noemi (that is, beatiful) but call me Mara (that is, bitter), for the Almighty hath quite filled me with bitterness.

℣. The tears are on her cheeks.

℟. **And there is none to comfort her.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, at whose passion, as Simeon had foretold, / a sword of sorrow pierced the sweet soul of Mary, the glorious Virgin Mother: / grant that we, who reverently recall her anguish and suffering, / may obtain the blessed fruits of Thy redemption. / Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.**

Ave Maria...

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Flammis ne urar succensus,
per te, Virgo, sim defensus
in die iudicii.

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
lest in flames I burn and die,
in His awful Judgment Day.

Jesus is Laid in the Tomb

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tibi. *(GENUFLECT)*

℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti mundum.**

And Joseph, having taken down the body of Jesus, wrapped it up in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb which he had hewn out in a rock. And he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb.

℣. Thou wilt not leave My soul in hell.

℟. **Nor wilt Thou give Thy Holy One to see coruption.**

℣. Let Us Pray *(KNEEL)*

℟. **O God, who hast left us a record of Thy passion in the holy shroud, / wherein Joseph wrapped Thy sacred body when taken down from the cross: / mercifully grant that through Thy death and burial / we may be brought to the glory of Thy resurrection. / Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.**

℣. Miserére nostri Dómine.

℟. **Miserére nóstri.**

℣. Et fldélium ånimæ per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

℟. **Amen.**

Hymn *(STAND)*

Christe, cum sit hinc exire,
da per Matrem me venire
ad palmam victoriae.

Quando corpus morietur,
fac, ut animae donetur
paradisi gloria. Amen.

Christ, when Thou shalt call me hence,
by Thy Mother my defense,
by Thy Cross my victory.

While my body here decays,
May my soul Thy goodness praise,
Safe in Paradise with Thee. Amen.

Oratiónes
(KNEEL)

℣. Adorámus te, Christe, et benedícimus tíbi.
℟. **Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemísti múndum.**

℣. Ora pro nobis, Virgo dolorosíssima.
℟. **Ut digni efficiámur promissiónibus Christi.**

℣. Orémus pro Pontífice nostro N.
℟. **Dóminus consérvet eum et vivíficet éum, † et beátum fáciat eum in térra, * et non tradat eum in ánimam inimicórum éjus.**

℣. Orémus pro fidélibus defúnctis.
℟. **Réquiem æternam dona eis, Dómine, * et lux perpétua lúceat éis.**

The priest stands to read the orations:

℣. Orémus. Réspice, quæsumus, Dómine, super hanc famíliam túam, † pro qua Dóminus noster Jesus Christus non dubitávit mánibus tradi nocéntium, * et crucis subíre torméntum.

Dómine Jesu Christe, Fili Dei vidi, qui hora sexta, pro redemptióne mundi, crucis patíbulum ascendísti, et sánguinem tuum pretiósum fudísti, † te humíliter deprecámur, * ut post óbitum nostrum, jánuam Paradísi nos gaudéntes introíre concédas.

Concluding Prayers
(KNEEL)

℣. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee.
℟. **Because by Thy holy Cross Thou didst redeem the world.**

℣. Pray for us, O most sorrowful virgin.
℟. **That we may made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

℣. Let us pray for our holy father, N.
℟. **The Lord preserve him and give him life, and make him blessed upon the earth, and deliver him not to his enemies.**

℣. Let us pray for the faithful departed.
℟. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them.**

The priest stands to read the orations:

℣. Look down, we beseech Thee Lord, upon Thy family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ did not hesitate to surrender His hands to evil-doers and to submit to the torment of the cross.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, Who at the sixth hour, for the redemption of the world, didst ascend the altar of the cross, and dist shed Thy precious Blood in remission for our sins, we humbly beseech Thee to grant that, after our death, we may, rejoicing, enter the gates of heaven.

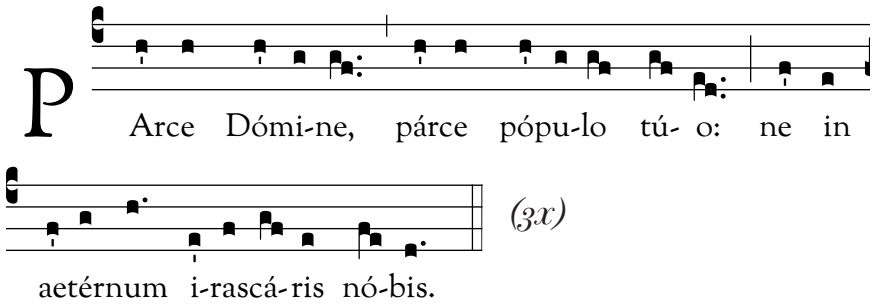
℣. Intervéniat pro nobis, quæsumus, Dómine Jesu Chríste, † nunc et in hora mortis nostræ, apud tuam cleméntiam, beáta Virgo María, Mater túa * cujus Sacratíssimam ánimam, in hora tuæ Passiónis, dolóris gládius pertransívit.

Omnípotens sempitérne Deus, miserére fámulo tuo pontífici nostro N., † et dírige eum secúndum tuam cleméntiam in viam salútis atérnæ; * ut, te donánte, tibi plácita cúpiat et tota virtúte perfíciat.

Deus véiæ lárgitor, et humánæ salútis amátor, † quæsumus cleméntiam tam, ut nostræ congregationis fratres, propínquos et benefactóres, qui ex hoc sæculo transiérunt, * beáta María semper Vírgine intercedénte, cum ómnibus Sanctis tuis, ad perpétuæ beatitúdinis consórtium perveníre concédas.

Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum, † qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, * per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

℟. **Amen.**



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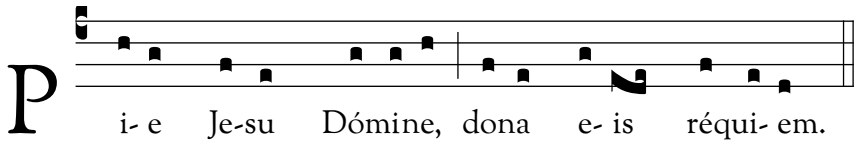

℣. We beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, That according to Thy mercy, the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thy Mother, Whose soul was pierced by a sword of sorrow at the hour of Thy Passion, may intercede for us now and at the hour of our death.

Almighty and Eternal God, have mercy on Thy servant N. our pope, and mercifully direct him in the way of eternal salvation; so that, by Thy grace, he may desire to be pleasing to Thee, and to become perfect in all virtue.

O God, giver of all forgiveness and Lover of human salvation, we beseech Thee, in Thy mercy, to grant that the brothers of our congregation, our associates and benefactors who have passed from this life may, by the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin and of all Thy saints, reach the life of perpetual happiness.

Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever.

℟. **Amen.**

Spare, Lord, spare your people:
Be not angry with us forever.

Pious Lord Jesus, give them rest.

The priest rises to give the blessing:

℣. Jube, domne benedicere

Grant, O Lord, a blessing.

Benedicat nos Dominius noster Jesus Christus, † qui pro nobis flagellatus est, crucem portavit, * et fuit crucifixus.

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless us, Who was scouraged, Who carried His cross, and Who was crucified for us.

℟. **Amen.**

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The priest genuflects and ascends the altar to give a blessing with a crucifix (or with a relic of the True Cross).

After the blessing, he then descends and kneels while all pray a Pater, an Ave, and a Gloria, for the intentions of the Holy Father in order to receive the Indulgence (under the usual conditions).

(STAND)

The priest and server return to the sacristy.