

Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

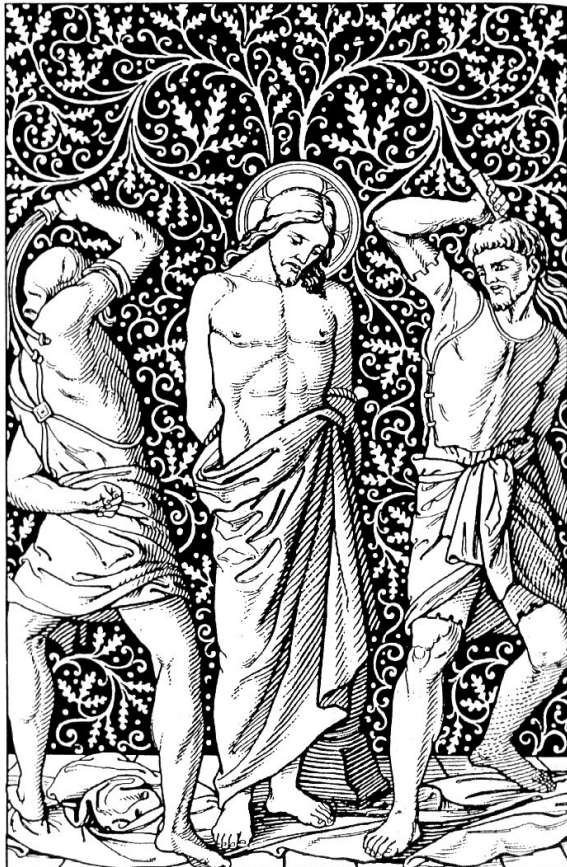
We call “good” this day when Our Lord loved us and gave himself up for us, redeeming us from sin and death. Thus, while the liturgical rites of the day are austere, they are marked by the triumphant sign of Christ's Cross, and they glow with the color of his Precious Blood. The crowds who gather for the Good Friday liturgy are not only assistants at the Passion, expressing the human emotion of grief and mourning, but *Christian* men and women whose gift of faith in the one Redeemer and Savior gives them confidence and hope. The death of the Lord Jesus breaks open the Mystery of the Trinity; the God who is Love revealed in the language and terms of a fallen world, that is, through rejection, pain and suffering. But at the heart of the Passion is the divine paradox: Death itself is put to death on this day which we call “good.”

Ceremonies of the Liturgical Year, No. 218

(The celebrant and ministers enter, all kneel and pray in silence.)

Prayer

please stand



Adoration of the Holy Cross

Priest: Behold the wood of the Cross,
on which hung the salvation of the world.



Antiphon

We adore your Cross, O Lord,
we praise and glorify your holy Resurrection,
for behold, because of the wood of a tree
joy has come to the whole world.

Anthems

Hide not Thou Thy Face from Us

Richard Farrant

Call to Remembrance

Richard Farrant

Reproaches

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

Because I led you out of the land of Egypt, you have prepared a Cross for your Savior.

Hagios o Theos, Hagios Ischyros, Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas
Holy is God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

Because I led you out through the desert forty years and fed you with manna and brought you
into a land of plenty, you have prepared a Cross for your Savior.

Hagios o Theos, Hagios Ischyros, Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas
Holy is God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

What more should I have done for you and have not done? Indeed, I planted you as my most
beautiful chosen vine and you have turned very bitter for me, for in my thirst you gave me
vinegar to drink and with a lance you pierced your Savior's side.

Hagios o Theos, Hagios Ischyros, Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas
Holy is God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

I scourged Egypt for your sake with its firstborn sons, and you scourged me and handed me over.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I led you out from Egypt as Pharaoh lay sunk in the Red Sea, and you handed me over to the
chief priests.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I opened up the sea before you, and you opened my side with a lance.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you led me into Pilate's palace.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I fed you with manna in the desert, and on me you rained blows and lashes.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I gave you saving water from the rock to drink, and for drink you gave me gall and vinegar.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I struck down for you the kings of the Canaanites, and you struck my head with a reed.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I put in your hand a royal scepter, and you put on my head a crown of thorns.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I exalted you with great power, and you hung me on the scaffold of the Cross.

My people, what have I done to you? Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

Good Friday Collection for the Shrines of the Holy Land

Holy Communion

Preparation of the Altar

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

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.***

Communion Proper

Faithful Cross the Saints rely on, Noble tree beyond compare!
Never was there such a scion, Never leaf or flow'r so rare.
Sweet the timber, sweet the iron, Sweet the burden that they bear!

Communion Anthem

O bone Jesu

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Communion Hymn

O Sacred Head, Surrounded

PASSION CHORALE



1. O Sa - cred Head, sur - round - ed By crown of pierc - ing thorn!
2. I see your strength and vig - or All fad - ing in the strife,
3. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep - herd, think of me



O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!
And death with cru - el rig - or, Be - reav - ing you of life;
With your most sweet com - pas - sion, Un - worth - y though I be:



The pow'r of death comes o'er you, The glow of life de - cays,
O ag - o - ny and dy - ing! O love to sin - ners free!
Be - neath your cross a - bid - ing For ev - er would I rest,



Yet an - gel hosts a - dore you And trem - ble as they gaze.
Je - sus, all grace sup - ply - ing, O turn your face on me.
In your dear love con - fid - ing, And with your pres - ence blest.

Prayer after Communion

Prayer over the People

Silent Exit

***You may spend some time in silent meditation.
When you leave, please depart in silence.***