

Lilies
of the
Valley

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PART I: Gathering In The Presence Of The Body

Sign of the Cross

The minister and those present sign themselves with the sign of the Cross as the minister says:

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Scripture Verse

One of the following or another brief Scripture verse is read.

A *Matthew 11:28-30*

Minister: My brothers and sisters, Jesus says:
“Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

B *John 14:1-3*

Minister: My brothers and sisters, Jesus says:
“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.”

Pause for silent prayer.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Using one of the following formularies, the minister may sprinkle the body with holy water.

Minister:

A The Lord is our shepherd
and leads us to streams of living water.

or

B Let this water call to mind our baptism into Christ,
who by his death and resurrection has redeemed
us.

or

C The Lord God lives in his holy temple yet abides in
our midst.

Minister: Since in baptism our brother/sister, **N...**, became
God's temple and the Spirit of God lived in him/
her, with reverence we bless his/her mortal body.

Psalm

One of the following psalms is sung or said.

Alternative A

Psalm 130

Response: *I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice!
O, let your ears be attentive
to my voice in supplication. **R.**

If you, O Lord, mark our iniquities,
Lord, who can stand?
But with you is forgiveness,
that you may be revered. **R.**

I trust in the Lord;
my soul trusts in his word.
My soul waits for the Lord
more than sentinels wait for the dawn. **R.**

For with the Lord is kindness
and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he will redeem Israel
from all their iniquities. **R.**

Alternative B

Psalm 115 (116)

Response: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.*

Gracious is the Lord and just;
yes, our God is merciful.
The Lord keeps the little ones;
I was brought low, and he saved me. **R.**

I believed, even when I said,
“I am greatly afflicted”;
I said in my alarm,
“No man is dependable.” **R.**

Precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.
O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
you have loosed my bonds. **R.**

The Lord's Prayer

The minister invites those present to pray the Lord's Prayer.

Minister: Let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom as
Jesus taught us:

All: 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.
Amen.

Concluding Prayer

The minister says one of the following prayers:

Alternative A

Minister: God of faithfulness,
in your wisdom you have called your servant
N... out of this world;
release him/her from the bonds of sin,
and welcome him/her into your presence,
so that he/she may enjoy eternal light and peace
and be raised up in glory with all your saints.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Alternative B

Minister: Into your hands, O Lord,
We humbly entrust our brother/sister, **N....**
In this life you embraced him/her with your
tender love; deliver him/her now from every evil
and bid him/her enter eternal rest.
The old order has passed away: welcome him/her
then into paradise, where there will be no sorrow,
no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and
joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit for ever and
ever.

All: Amen.

Blessing

The minister says:

Minister: Blessed are those who have died in the Lord;
let them rest from their labours for their
good deeds go with them.

*A gesture, for example, signing the forehead of the deceased with
the sign of the cross, may accompany the following words.*

Minister: Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord.
All: And let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

Minister: May he/she rest in peace.
All: Amen.

Minister: May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
All: Amen.

Alternative A

A minister who is a priest or deacon says:

Minister: May the peace of God, which is beyond all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Minister: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Alternative B

A lay minister invokes God's blessing and signs himself or herself with the sign of the cross, saying:

Minister: May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ bless and console us and gently wipe every tear from our eyes: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

PART II: Vigil Services

SET 1: SERVICE OF THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn

Greeting

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

Offering of Sympathy

(For an old Catholic)

Leader: Our brother/sister, **N...**, has gone to his/her rest in the peace of Christ. With faith and hope in eternal life, let us commend him/her to the loving mercy of our Father, and assist him/her with our prayers. He/She became God's son/daughter through baptism and was often fed at the table of our Lord. May the Lord now welcome him/her to the table of God's children in Heaven, and, with all the saints, may he/she inherit the promise of eternal life.

Let us also pray to the Lord for ourselves.
May we who mourn be reunited one day with our
brother/sister. Together may we meet Christ Jesus
when He, who is our life, shall appear in His glory.

All: Amen.

(For a recently baptised Catholic)

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, a gentle Father and God
of all consolation, who comforts us in all
our sorrows, so that we can offer others,
in their sorrow, the consolation we have
received from God ourselves.

All: Blessed be God forever.

Leader: My dear brothers and sisters, Jesus once told us
that whenever two or more gather together
in His Name, He will be there in the midst
of them. Today, we gather here to pray for
our brother/sister **N...** and we know that
Jesus is with us. To offer prayers for all
who are called by God from this earthly life
has always been a Christian tradition.
And it is through prayers and sacrifice
that souls are purified and united with God
in heaven. With such thoughts as these,
let us offer our prayers for our brother/sister **N....**

The body is then sprinkled with holy water.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Hear our prayers and be merciful to your son/daughter, **N...**, whom you have called from this life. Welcome him/her into the company of your saints, in the kingdom of light and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Leader: Let us spend a few moments in silence to look into our hearts to become more fully aware of the times that we have failed God and one another.

Pause in Silence.

Leader: Recognising our need for God's Mercy and Forgiveness, we pray:
I confess to almighty God

All: and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, *(striking their breasts)* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Collects

Alternative A

Leader: Lord Jesus, our Redeemer, you willingly gave yourself up to death so that all people might be saved and pass from death to new life. Listen to our prayers, look on your people with your compassionate love, especially those of us here who have gathered to mourn and pray for their departed brother/sister **N....**

Lord Jesus, you alone are holy and compassionate, forgive our brother/sister his/her sins. By dying, you opened the gates of life for those who believe in you. Do not let our brother/sister be parted from you, but by your glorious power give him/her light, joy and peace in heaven where you live for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Alternative B

Leader: Almighty Father, eternal God, hear our prayers for your son/daughter, whom you have called from this life to yourself. Grant him/her light, happiness and peace. Let him/her pass in safety through the gates of death, and live forever with all your saints in the light you promised to Abraham and to all his descendants in faith. Guard him/her from all harm and on that great day of resurrection and reward, raise him/her up with all your saints. Pardon his/her sin and give him/her eternal life in your kingdom.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Alternative A

Reader: *A reading from the book of Wisdom.* (3:1-6.9)

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them

as a holocaust. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Alternative B

Reader: *A reading from the prophet Isaiah.* (25:6-9)

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain, he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations; he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Pause in Silence.

Responsorial Psalm (*Choose one*)

The Lord is My Shepherd

Paul Quinlan, SJ

1. The Lord is my shepherd,
He is Lord and I am his guest.
Fresh and green are the pastures
Where he leads me to my rest.
Near peaceful waters he leads me,
To cheer up my cheerless heart.
He guides me on the safe path,
He will always do his part.

Refrain: *If I should ever walk, in the valley of darkness,
No evil would I fear,
You are there to show the way.
If I should ever walk, in the valley of darkness,
Your crook and your staff,
They will lead me to the day.*

2. You prepare a banquet, in the sight of my foes;
You cool my head with oil, and my cup now overflows.
Surely goodness and kindness
Will be with me all the way,
The Lord's house for my dwelling,
I will thank him every day. (*Refrain*)

The Lord's My Shepherd

J. Irvine

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou has furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house forevermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

The Lord is My Shepherd

Response: *Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side.*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul. **R.**

He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff
that give me courage. **R.**

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows. **R.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for years to come. **R.**

Second Reading

Alternative A

Reader: *A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.*

(14:7-12)

For none of us lives for himself only, none of us dies for himself only; if we live, it is for the Lord that we live, and if we die, it is for the Lord that we die. Whether we live or die, then, we belong to the Lord. For Christ died and rose to life in order to be the Lord of the living and of the dead. All of us will stand before God, to be judged by him. For the Scripture says: As I live, says the Lord, everyone will kneel before me, and everyone will declare that I am God. Every one of us, then, will have to give an account of himself to God.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Alternative B

Reader: *A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.*

(4:13-18)

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that

Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you shall comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Pause in Silence.

Gospel Acclamation

All: *Alleluia, Alleluia!*
It is my Father's will, says the Lord, that whoever believes in the Son shall have eternal life and that I shall raise him up on the last day.
Alleluia.

Or during Lent, instead of Alleluias:

All: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel *(Choose one of the following Gospels)*

Gospel 1

Leader: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.*

(12:35-40)

Jesus said to his disciples: “See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel 2

Leader:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

(6:37-40)

Jesus said to the crowd: “All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I shall not turn him away; because I have come from heaven, not to do my own will, but to do the will of the one who sent me. Now the will of him who sent me is that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. Yes, it is the Father’s will that whoever sees the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and that I shall raise him up on the last day.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel 3

Leader:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

(14:1-6)

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father’s house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said, “Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

Jesus said: “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel 4

Leader:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

(25:31-40)

When the Son of Man comes in his glory,
escorted by all the angels of heaven,
he will sit upon his royal throne; and all the
nations will be assembled before him.
Then he will separate them into two groups,
as a shepherd separates sheep from goats.
The sheep he will place on his right hand,
the goats on his left. Then the King will say
to those on his right, "Come, you have
my father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom
prepared for you from the creation of the world.
For I was hungry and you gave me food;
I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a
stranger and you welcomed me, naked and
you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me,
in prison and you came to visit me."
Then the just will ask him: "Lord when did
we see you hungry and feed you or see you
thirsty and give you drink? When did we see
you a stranger and welcome you in our home,
or naked and clothe you? When did we ever
see you sick or in prison and visit you?"
And the King will reply, "I tell you, whenever
you did this for one of the least important of
these brothers of mine, you did it for me!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel 5

Leader:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

(11:21-27)

Martha said to Jesus, "If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you." "Your brother," said Jesus to her, "will rise again." Martha said, "I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies, he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" "Yes, Lord," she said, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

A few moments of Silence for reflection.

Profession of Faith (*Apostles' Creed*)

Leader: To respond to the word of God which we have just heard let us renew our faith in God as we say:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

General Intercession

Leader: Let us pray for our brother/sister **N...** to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am the Resurrection and the Life. Those who believe in me will live even if they die, and every living person who puts faith in me will never suffer eternal death.”

Reader: Lord, you wept at the death of Lazarus, your friend, comfort us in our sorrow.
We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Reader: Our brother/sister **N...** was washed clean in baptism and anointed with the oil of salvation: give him/her fellowship with all your saints.
We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Reader: He/She was nourished with your body and blood; grant him/her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.
We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Reader: Comfort us in our sorrow, as we mourn the death of our brother/sister **N...** let our faith be our consolation and eternal life our hope.
We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Reader: We pray for all who have gone before us,

our family, our relatives, and all who were close to us: Lord give them the reward of eternal life.

We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Reader: We pray for all who have died in the hope of rising again: welcome them, Lord, into the light of your presence.

We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Reader: We pray for all who have gathered here in faith: Lord, make us one in your kingdom.

We pray to the Lord. **Response**

Leader: Lord, listen to our prayers for our brother/sister **N...** As he/she always desired to do your will, so in your mercy forgive whatever wrong he/she may have done. By his/her Christian faith, he/she was united with all your believing people. Now in love and mercy give him/her a place with your angels and saints in heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Sprinkle the body of deceased with holy water.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: United in one faith in our Risen Lord, let us pray
for the coming of the Kingdom as Jesus taught us:

All: 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. Amen.

Leader: Saints of God, come to his/her aid.
Come to meet him/her angels of the Lord!

All: Receive his/her soul and present him/her to
God the Most High.

Leader: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;
may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

All: Receive his/her soul and present him/her to
God the Most High.

Leader: Give him/her eternal rest, O Lord, and may your
light shine on him/her forever.

All: Receive his/her soul and present him/her to
God the Most High.

Prayer For The Soul Of The Departed

Leader: Father, into your hands we commend our brother/sister **N...** We are confident that with all who have died in Christ, he/she will be raised to life on the last day and live with Christ forever. We thank you for all the blessings you gave him/her in this life to show your fatherly care for all of us, and the fellowship which is ours with the saints in Jesus Christ.

Lord, hear our prayer: welcome our brother/sister to paradise and help us to comfort each other with the assurance of our faith until we all meet in Christ to be with you and with our brother/sister forever.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Prayer For Mourners

Leader: Father, God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy for us you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Show compassion to your people in their sorrow. Be our refuge and our strength to lift us from the darkness of grief to the peace and light of your presence. Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us conquered death and by rising again, restored life. May we then go forward eagerly to meet him and after our life on earth, be reunited with our brothers and sisters where every tear will be wiped away. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: Eternal rest grant unto **N...**, O Lord.
All: And let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

Leader: May he/she rest in peace.

All: Amen.

Leader: May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen.

A member or friend of the family may speak in remembrance of the deceased.

Solemn Blessing

If a priest is present, he may give his final blessing to all present.

Priest: May the peace of God,
which is beyond all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Priest: To us who are alive may he grant forgiveness, and
to all who have died a place of light and peace.

All: Amen.

Priest: As you believe that Jesus rose from the dead, so
may you live with him forever in joy.

All: Amen.

Priest: May Almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

If a lay minister is leading

Leader: May the love of God and the peace of our
Lord Jesus Christ bless and console us
and gently wipe every tear from our eyes:
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Final Hymn

SET 2: SCRIPTURAL ROSARY

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

Hail Mary (x3)

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen

After each decade of the Rosary:

Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins,
save us from the fires of hell,
lead all souls to Heaven,
especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

Sorrowful Mysteries

FIRST SORROWFUL MYSTERY

Jesus' agony in the garden

*Intention: May we be resolved to do God's will, conquer our fears
and accept our crosses as Jesus did in Gethsemane.*

Our Father...

Jesus came with them to Gethsemane./
And sadness came over him, and great distress.

Matthew 26:36-38

Hail Mary...

Then he said, “My soul is sorrowful to the point of death./
Wait here and keep awake with me.”

Hail Mary...

Then he withdrew from them,/
and knelt down and prayed.

Luke 22:41-44

Hail Mary...

“Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me./
Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine.”

Hail Mary...

Then an angel appeared to him/
coming from heaven to give him strength.

Hail Mary...

In his anguish/
he prayed even more earnestly,

Hail Mary...

and his sweat fell to the ground/
like great drops of blood.

Hail Mary...

Then he came back to his disciples and found them sleeping./
and he said, “So you had not the strength to keep awake with
me one hour?”

Matthew 26:40-41

Hail Mary...

“You should be awake,
and praying not to be put to the test.”

Hail Mary...

“The Spirit is willing,
but the flesh is weak.”

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY

Jesus is scourged

*Intention: May we have the courage to defend our faith in Jesus
and the Truth even in the face of suffering.*

Our Father...

They had Jesus bound and handed him over to Pilate./ *Mark 15:1-2*
Pilate questioned him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

Hail Mary...

Jesus replied, “Mine is not a kingdom of this world;/ *John 18:36-38*
but yes, I am a King.”

Hail Mary...

“I came into the world for this; to bear witness to the truth;
and all who are on the side of the truth listen to my voice.”

Hail Mary...

“Truth?” said Pilate, “What is that?;/
and with that he went out again to the Jews and
said, “I find no case against him.”
Hail Mary...

“So I shall have him flogged and then let him go.”/
Pilate then had Jesus taken away and scourged.
Hail Mary...

John 19:1

Despised and rejected by men;/
a man of sorrows.
Hail Mary...

Isaiah 53:3-7

Harshly dealt with, he bore it humbly;/
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter-house.
Hail Mary...

Yet he was pierced through for our faults;/
crushed for our sins.
Hail Mary...

Ours were the suffering he bore;/
ours the sorrows he carried
Hail Mary...

On him lies a punishment that brings us peace;/
and through his wounds we are healed.
Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY

Jesus is crowned with thorns

Intention: May we be stripped of our pride and learn to trust in Jesus when we are misunderstood or wrongly accused.

Our Father...

The soldiers led him away to the Praetorium./ *Matthew 27:28-30*

Then they stripped him and dressed him up in purple.

Hail Mary...

And having twisted some thorns into a crown they put this on His head;/

and placed a reed in his right hand.

Hail Mary...

To make fun of him, they knelt to him saying,/
“Hail, King of the Jews!”

Hail Mary...

And they spat on him,/
and took the reed and struck him on the head.

Hail Mary...

Then Pilate took some water, washed his hands *Matthew 27:24*
in front of the crowd/

and said, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. It is your concern.”

Hail Mary...

Jesus then came out/
wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe.

John 19:5

Hail Mary...

“Here is your king.” said Pilate./
“Take him away!” they said, “Crucify him!”
Hail Mary...

John 19:15

“Why, what harm has he done?”/
But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”
Hail Mary...

Mark 15:14

“Do you want to crucify your King?”/
The chief priests answered, “We have no king except Caesar.”
Hail Mary...

John 19:15

So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd,/
handed him over to be crucified.
Hail Mary...

Mark 15:15

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

FOURTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY

Jesus carries His Cross

*Intention: May we learn to walk with Jesus along the
path of humility.*

Our Father...

“If anyone wants to be a follower of mine,/
let him renounce himself”
Hail Mary...

Luke 9:23

“and take up his cross every day/
and follow me.”

Hail Mary...

And carrying his own cross,
they led him out to crucify him.

John 19:17

Mark 15:20

Hail Mary...

And they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene,
and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus.

Luke 23:26

Hail Mary...

“Shoulder my yoke,
and learn from me;”

Matthew 11:29

Hail Mary...

“for I am gentle/
and humble in heart.”

Hail Mary...

Large numbers of people followed him,
and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him.

Luke 23:27-28

Hail Mary...

But Jesus turned to them and said,
“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me;
weep rather for yourselves and for your children.”

Hail Mary...

“For if men use the green wood like this,
what will happen when it is dry?”

Luke 23:31-32

Hail Mary...

Two other men, both of them criminals,
were also led out to be put to death with Jesus.

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

FIFTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY

Jesus Dies On The Cross

*Intention: May we learn to forgive others their wrongs against us,
like Jesus on the cross.*

Our Father...

When they reached the place called The Skull,
they crucified him there./

And a darkness came over the whole land.

Hail Mary...

Luke 23:33

Jesus said, “Father, forgive them;/
they do not know what they are doing.”

Hail Mary...

Luke 23:34

One of the criminals crucified with him said,
“Jesus, remember me/
when you come into your kingdom.”

Hail Mary...

Luke 23:42-43

“Indeed, I promise you”, he replied/
“today you will be with me in paradise.”

Hail Mary...

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother/
and the disciple he loved.

John 19:25-27

Hail Mary...

Jesus said to his mother, “Woman, this is your son.”/
Then to the disciple he said, “This is your mother.”

Hail Mary...

And from that moment,
the disciple made a place for her in his home.

Hail Mary...

And when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,
“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.”

Luke 23:46

Hail Mary...

And bowing his head he gave up his spirit./
And the veil of the Temple was torn in two; the earth quaked.

John 19:30

Hail Mary...

Matthew 27:51

One of the soldiers pierced his side with a lance;/
and immediately there came out blood and water.

John 19:34

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

Hail Holy Queen... *(Go to page 50)*

Glorious Mysteries

FIRST GLORIOUS MYSTERY

The Father Raises Jesus To New Life

Intention: May we serve God in joyful hope of the Resurrection.

Our Father...

“I tell you most solemnly, you will be sorrowful,
but your sorrow will turn to joy.” *John 16:20*

Hail Mary...

“For I shall see you again, and your hearts will be full of joy,
and that joy no one shall take from you.” *John 16:20*

Hail Mary...

At the first sign of dawn, they went to the tomb/
with the spices they had prepared. *Luke 24:1*

Hail Mary...

And all at once the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven,
came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. *Matthew 28:2*

Hail Mary...

“I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified./
He is not here.” *Matthew 28:5-8*

Hail Mary...

“He has risen from the dead./
Come and see the place where he lay.”

Hail Mary...

“And now he is going before you to Galilee;/
it is there you will see him.”

Hail Mary...

And the women came out from the tomb/
filled with awe and great joy.

Hail Mary...

“I am the resurrection and the life./ *John 11:25*
If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live.”

Hail Mary...

“And whoever lives and believes in me,/ *John 11:26*
will never die.”

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

SECOND GLORIOUS MYSTERY

Jesus Goes To His Father

*Intention: May we live believing in Jesus' promise of eternal life
with God.*

Our Father...

“I am ascending to my Father and your Father,
to my God and your God.”

John 20:17

Hail Mary...

Jesus took them as far as the outskirts of Bethany/
and lifting up his hands he blessed them.

Luke 24:50

Hail Mary...

He said, “All authority in heaven and on earth/
has been given to me.”

Matthew 28:18-20

Hail Mary...

“Go, therefore,
make disciples of all the nations.”

Hail Mary...

“Baptise them/ in the name of the Father, and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Hail Mary...

“And teach them to observe/
all the commands I gave you.”

Hail Mary...

“And know that I am with you always/
yes, to the end of time.”

Hail Mary...

As he did this he was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.

Acts 1:9

Hail Mary...

And so the Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven;/
there at the right hand of God he took his place.

Mark 16:19

Hail Mary...

“This Jesus who has been taken up into heaven,/
will come back in the same way.”

Acts 1:11

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

THIRD GLORIOUS MYSTERY

Jesus sends His Spirit

*Intention: May we always be grateful for the gift of the Spirit
within us.*

Our Father...

When Pentecost day came around,/
they had all met in one room.

Acts 2:1-5

Hail Mary...

Suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from
heaven,/ the noise of which filled the entire house.

Hail Mary...

And something appeared to them that seemed like
tongues of fire;/
these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them.
Hail Mary...

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit;/
and began to speak about the marvels of God.
Hail Mary...

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem/ *Acts 2:14, 32, 36*
from every nation under heaven.
Hail Mary...

Peter addressed them: “God raised this man Jesus to life./
He is the one that God has made Lord and Messiah.”
Hail Mary...

“Turn away from sin and be baptised in the name of Jesus,/
and you will receive the gift of Holy Spirit.” *Acts 2:38, 41*
Hail Mary...

And they accepted what he said and were baptised./
That very day about three thousand were added to their number.
Hail Mary...

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,/ *Psalms 104:30*
and renew the face of the earth.
Hail Mary...

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;/ *Lectionary*
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY

Jesus' mother is taken up to heaven

Intention: May we come to share the life of glory that Mary experienced through her faithfulness to God.

Our Father...

“Come then, my love,
my lovely one, come.”

Song 2:10-11

Hail Mary...

“For see, winter is past,
the rains are over and gone.”

Hail Mary...

“Show me your face, let me hear your voice;
for your voice is sweet and your face is beautiful.”

Song 2:14

Hail Mary...

And the sanctuary of God in heaven opened,
and the Ark of the Covenant could be seen inside it.

Revelation 11:19

Hail Mary...

A great sign appeared in heaven;
a woman, adorned with the sun.

Revelation 12:1

Hail Mary...

She was standing on the moon,
with the twelve stars on her head for a crown.

Hail Mary...

With jewels set in gold, and dressed in brocades,
the King's daughter is led in to the King. *Psalms 45:13-14*

Hail Mary...

“May you be blessed, my daughter, by God Most High,
beyond all women on earth. *Judith 13:18*

Hail Mary...

“The trust you have shown shall not pass from the
memories of men,
but shall ever remind them of the power of God.” *Judith 13:19*

Hail Mary...

“You are the glory of Jerusalem! You are the great pride of Israel!
You are the highest honour of our people!” *Judith 15:9*

Hail Mary...

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

FIFTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY

Mary is honoured as Queen

Intention: May we one day be united to God, like Mary, in God's eternal kingdom.

Our Father...

“Who is this arising like the dawn,
fair as the moon, resplendent as the sun?”

Song 6:10

Hail Mary...

Like the rainbow gleaming against brilliant clouds;
like blossoms in the days of spring.

Sirach 50:7-8

Hail Mary...

“I am the rose of Sharon,
I am the lily of the valleys.”

Song 2:1

Hail Mary...

“I am like a vine putting out graceful shoots,
my blossoms are sweeter than honey.”

Sirach 24:17, 20

Hail Mary...

“Behold, all generations will call me blessed,
for he who is mighty has done great things for me.”

Luke 1:48-49

Hail Mary...

“He settled me in the Beloved City,
and gave me authority over Jerusalem.”

Sirach 24:11

Hail Mary...

“And now, my children, listen to me;/
listen to instruction and learn to be wise.”

Proverbs 8:32-35

Hail Mary...

“Happy are those who keep my ways;/
who day after day watch at my gates.”

Hail Mary...

“For those who find me, find life,/
and win favour from the Lord.”

Queenship of Mary, Office

Hail Mary...

“Mary, ever-virgin, most honoured Queen of the world./
Now you reign with Christ forever.”

Hail Mary

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer

Hail Holy Queen

All: Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!
Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and
weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious Advocate,
thine eyes of mercy towards us;
and after this our exile
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Leader: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

All: That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: O God, whose only begotten Son, by his life,
death and resurrection has purchased for us
the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech
Thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of
the most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
we may imitate what they contain, and obtain
what they promise; through the same Christ
our Lord. Amen.



Jesus, I Trust in You

SET 3: DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Opening Hymn

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: “I am the resurrection and the life”, said Jesus. The man who believes in me will live, even if he dies. Every living person who puts his faith in me will never suffer eternal death.”

Leader: Lord, remember our brother/sister **N...** who has gone before us in peace.

All: For him/her, we pray. Grant him/her life forever.

Leader: Lord, give us strength in our sorrow. Help us to comfort one another.

All: We put our trust in you. May we be united in heaven for ever.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Our brother/sister has gone to his/her rest in the peace of Christ. With faith and hope in eternal life, let us commend him/her to the loving mercy of our Father, and assist him/her with our prayers. He/she became God’s child through baptism and was often fed at the table of the Lord.

May the Lord welcome him/her to the table of God's children in heaven and with all the saints may he/she inherit eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Daily Three O'Clock Prayer

THE HOUR OF GREATEST MERCY

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (x3)

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

Begin with Our Father..., Hail Mary..., and The Apostles' Creed.

The Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell,
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

On the large bead before each decade:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the ten small beads of each decade:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3x)

Praises Of The Divine Mercy

The love of God is the flower – Mercy the fruit

Response: *I trust in You.*

Divine Mercy, gushing forth from the bosom of the Father.

Divine Mercy, greatest attribute of God.

Divine Mercy, incomprehensible mystery.

Divine Mercy, fount gushing forth from the mystery of the
Most Blessed Trinity.

Divine Mercy, unfathomed by any intellect, human or angelic.

Divine Mercy, from which wells forth all life and happiness.

Divine Mercy, better than the heavens.

Divine Mercy, source of miracles and wonders.

Divine Mercy, encompassing the whole universe.

Divine Mercy, descending to earth in the Person of the
Incarnate Word.

Divine Mercy, which flowed out from the open wound of the
Heart of Jesus.

Divine Mercy, enclosed in the Heart of Jesus for us, and especially for sinners.
Divine Mercy, unfathomed in the institution of the Sacred Host.
Divine Mercy, in the founding of Holy Church.
Divine Mercy, in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.
Divine Mercy, in our justification through Jesus Christ.
Divine Mercy, accompanying us through our whole life.
Divine Mercy, embracing us especially at the hour of death.
Divine Mercy, endowing us with immortal life.
Divine Mercy, accompanying us every moment of our life.
Divine Mercy, shielding us from the fire of hell.
Divine Mercy, in the conversion of hardened sinners.
Divine Mercy, astonishment for Angels, incomprehensible to Saints.
Divine Mercy, unfathomed in all mysteries of God.
Divine Mercy, lifting us out of every misery.
Divine Mercy, source of our happiness and joy.
Divine Mercy, in calling us forth from nothingness to existence.
Divine Mercy, embracing all the works of His hands.
Divine Mercy, crown of all God's handiwork.
Divine Mercy, in which we are all immersed.
Divine Mercy, sweet relief for anguished hearts.
Divine Mercy, only hope of despairing souls.
Divine Mercy, repose of hearts, peace amidst fear.
Divine Mercy, delight and ecstasy of holy souls.
Divine Mercy, inspiring hope against all hope.

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

Prayer For Divine Mercy

O Greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy, to Your compassion, O God; and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out.

Gracious God, do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles!
O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, Who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You: anticipate us with Your grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will all through our life and at death's hour.

Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children, await Your final coming – that day known to You alone, and we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness.
For Jesus is our Hope: through His merciful Heart as through an open gate we pass through to heaven.

Closing Prayer

Leader: Let us pray,
 O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all
 the faithful, grant to the soul of our
 brother/sister **N...** and of all your servants and
 handmaids the remission of all their sins that
 through our devout prayer, we may help them
 to obtain the pardon which they have always
 desired. You who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Leader: Eternal rest grant to **N...**, O Lord.
All: and let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

Leader: May he/she rest in peace.
All: Amen.

Leader: May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
All: Amen.

One: And may the blessing of Almighty God, Father,
Son and Holy Spirit descend upon us and
remain with us forever.
All: Amen.

Final Hymn

SET 4: LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Midday Prayer For The Dead

Leader: O God, come to our aid.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen.

Opening Hymn

The Psalm may be prayed in two groups: 1 & 2.

PSALM 69 (70)

Leader: Lord, heal my soul for I have sinned against you.

Group 1: O God, make haste to my rescue,
Lord, come to my aid!
Let there be shame and confusion
on those who seek my life.

Group 2: O let them turn back in confusion,
who delight in my harm,
let them retreat, covered with shame,
who jeer at my lot.

Group 1: Let there be rejoicing and gladness
for all who seek you.
Let them say for ever: 'God is great,'
who love your saving help.

Group 2: As for me, wretched and poor,
come to me, O God.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O Lord, do not delay.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Pause in Silence.

PSALM 84 (85)

Group 1: O Lord, you once favoured your land
and revived the fortunes of Jacob,
you forgave the guilt of your people
and covered all their sins.
You averted all your rage,
you calmed the heat of your anger.

Group 2: Revive us now, God, our helper!
Put an end to your grievance against us.
Will you be angry with us for ever,
will your anger never cease?

Group 1: Will you not restore again our life
that your people may rejoice in you?
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Group 2: I will hear what the Lord God has to say,

a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people and his friends
and those who turn to him in their hearts.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Group 1: Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.

Group 2: The Lord will make us prosper and our earth
shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before
him and peace shall follow his steps.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Pause in Silence.

PSALM 85 (86)

Group 1: Turn your ear, O Lord, and give answer
for I am poor and needy.
Preserve my life, for I am faithful;
save the servant who trusts in you.

Group 2: You are my God, have mercy on me, Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.
Give joy to your servant, O Lord,
for to you I lift up my soul.

Group 1: O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice.

Group 2: In the day of distress I will call
and surely you will reply.
Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord;
nor work to compare with yours.

Group 1: All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvelous deeds,
you who alone are God.

Group 2: Show me, Lord, your way
so that I may walk in your truth.
Guide my heart to fear your name.

Group 1: I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart
and glorify your name forever;
for your love to me has been great:
you have saved me from the depths of the grave.

Group 2: The proud have risen against me;
ruthless men seek my life; to you they pay no heed.

Group 1: But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me.

Group 2: O give your strength to your servant
and save your handmaid's son.
Show me a sign of your favour
that my foes may see to their shame
that you console me and give me your help.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen.

All: Lord, heal my soul for I have sinned against you.

Pause in Silence.

Scripture Reading *Wisdom 1:13-14a, 15*

Leader: Death was never of God's fashioning;
not for his pleasure does life cease to be;
what meant his creation, but that
all created things should have being?
No end nor term is fixed to a life well lived.

Short Responsory

Leader: In the midst of darkness and of death
I will fear no evil.

All: For you, Lord, are with me.

Concluding Prayer

Leader: Grant, Lord, we pray,
that as our faith is built on the Risen Christ,
so too may our hope be steadfast,
as we await the resurrection of your servant
our brother/sister **N...** from the dead.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us praise the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Evening Prayer For The Dead

Leader: O God, come to our aid.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen.

Opening Hymn

The Psalm may be prayed in 2 groups: 1 & 2.

PSALM 120 (121)

Leader: The Lord will guard you from every evil,
he will guard your soul.

Group 1: I lift up my eyes to the mountains;
from where shall come my help?

My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

Group 2: May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard.

Group 1: The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night.

Group 2: The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming both
now and forever.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: The Lord will guard you from every evil,
he will guard your soul.

Pause in Silence

Leader: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

PSALM 129 (130)

Group 1: Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

Group 2: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

Group 1: My soul is waiting for the Lord.
I count on His word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
More than watchman for daybreak.
Let the watchman count on daybreak
And Israel on the Lord.

Group 2: Because with the Lord there is mercy and
fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: If you, O Lord should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

Pause in Silence.

Leader: As the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so the Son gives life to anyone he chooses.

CANTICLE: Philippians 2: 6-11

Group 1: Though he was in the form of God, Jesus did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped.

Group 2: He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

Group 1: And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Group 2: Therefore, God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,

Group 1: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

Group 2: and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Group 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Group 2: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: As the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so the Son gives life to anyone he chooses.

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

Leader: Death, where is your victory?
Death, where is your sting? Now the
sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power
from the Law. So let us thank God for
giving us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sharing Or Homily *(optional)*

Short Responsory

Leader: Show them your merciful love, Lord,
give them eternal rest.

All: Show them your merciful love, Lord,
give them eternal rest.

Leader: You are coming to rule over both the
living and the dead.

All: Show them your merciful love, Lord,
give them eternal rest.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit.

All: Show them your merciful love, Lord,
give them eternal rest.

MAGNIFICAT *(Tune: Amazing Grace)*

My soul proclaims the Lord my God,
My spirit sings His praise!
He looks on me, He lifts me up
And gladness fills my days.

All nations now will share my joy
His gifts He has outpoured;
His little ones He has made great;
I magnify the Lord.

His mercy is forever more;
His name I praise again.
His strong right hand puts down the proud
And raises a lowly man.

He fills the hungry with good things
The rich He sends away;
The promise made to Abraham
Is filled to endless days

Praise God the Father ever more,
And Christ, His son, our king,
And Holy Spirit, may my soul
Their praise for ever sing.

Intercessions

Leader: Let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who
gives us the hope that our mortal bodies will
become like his in glory.

Response: *Lord, you are our life and our resurrection.*

Christ, Son of the living God, you raised your
friend Lazarus from the dead; grant life and glory
to the faithful departed, redeemed by
your precious blood. **R.**

Response: *Lord, you are our life and our resurrection*

Compassionate Saviour, you wiped away all tears when you gave back to the widow of Naim her only son; comfort those who mourn because the one they love has died. **R.**

Christ, our Redeemer, destroy the reign of sin in our mortal bodies; let us not receive the wages of death but the reward of eternal life. **R.**

Christ, our Saviour, look on those who live without hope and do not know you; let them believe in the resurrection and the life of the world to come. **R.**

You restored sight to the man born blind and opened the eyes of his faith; reveal your faith to the dead who have not seen your glory. **R.**

Lord, be merciful to us when we leave this earthly dwelling; make for us a home in heaven that will last forever. **R.**

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Following our Lord's teaching, let us say with faith and trust:

All: 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. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Leader: Grant, Lord, we pray, that as our faith
is built on the Risen Christ, so too may our hope
be steadfast, as we await the resurrection of your
servant our brother/sister **N...** from the dead.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord

All: Amen.

If a priest or deacon is present:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your Spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father,
and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

If no priest or deacon is present:

Leader: The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn

SET 5: FOR A CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON

Opening Hymn

- Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
- All: Amen.
- Leader: The grace and peace of God our Father, who
raised Jesus from the dead, be always with you.
- All: And with your Spirit.

Invitation To Prayer

- Leader: Dear brothers and sisters, we are gathered here
to commend the soul of our little/young brother/
sister **N...** to Almighty God and to give thanks
for his/her life. To die at a tender age is to die
full of promise, and fragrant with innocence.
We have the consolation of knowing that
as the little/young one has departed before us
he/she goes straight to the kingdom of heaven.
We are assured of that by Christ.

Let us also pray to the Lord for ourselves.
May we who mourn be reunited one day with
our brother/sister. Together may we meet
Christ Jesus when He, who is our life,
shall appear in His glory.

Let us pause for a few moments in silence,
and recall how we are all weak and in need
of God's Merciful Love and Forgiveness. *(Pause)*

Leader: And so, acknowledging our need for God's Mercy we pray: I confess to almighty God

All: and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, (*striking their breasts*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Opening Prayer

Leader: God our Father, your Son assured us that you notice and are concerned about a single sparrow that falls from the sky. We know that you have seen the fall of our little/young brother/sister **N...** We are confident that he/she has fallen into your hands and that you will take good care of him/her. Support us who grieve for him/her and comfort us with your loving protection. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Reader: *A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans.*

(8:14-18)

All who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the Spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is the Spirit Himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 83 (84)

Response: *My soul is longing for the courts of the Lord.*

Reader: The sparrow finds a home
and the swallow a nest for her brood;
she lays her young by your altar,
Lord of hosts, my King and my God. **R.**

They are happy, who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.
They are happy, whose strength is in you,
in whose hearts are the roads to Zion. **R.**

As they go through the Bitter Valley
they make it a place of springs.
They walk with ever growing strength,
they will see the God of gods in Zion. **R.**

For the Lord God is a rampart, a shield;
he will give us his favour and glory.
The Lord will not refuse any good
to those who walk without blame. **R.**

Gospel

Leader:

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according
to Matthew.*

(18:1-4)

At that time the disciples came to Jesus,
saying, ‘Who is the greatest in the kingdom
of heaven?’ And calling to Him a child,
He put him in the midst of them, and said,
‘Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and
become like children, you will never enter
the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles
himself like this child, he is the greatest in
the kingdom of heaven.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily *(if a priest is present)*

Intercessions

Leader: Christ showed in word and deed that the little ones are precious to Him and to the Heavenly Father. We are confident that He will hear our prayer on their behalf.

Reader: That Christ may take our brother/sister **N...** by the hand and lead him/her into that kingdom which He said belongs to all those who are little. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*
That from his/her place in the kingdom of heaven, **N...** may intercede for us.
Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For **N...**'s parents, family and friends: that God may comfort them with the assurance that they will see him/her again when we will all meet in Christ's everlasting kingdom.

Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

For all the children and young people of the world: that we may never be a stumbling block to them, but rather that we may open the doors of life to them.

Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

For all here present: that we may always be conscious of our great dignity as children of God, and strive to live lives that are worthy of that dignity. Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

Leader: Father, in Christ you have shown us how much you love the little ones. Write **N...**'s name on the palm of your hand and give him/her the freedom of your kingdom.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Sprinkle the body of deceased with holy water.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: United in one faith in our Risen Lord, let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom as Jesus taught us:

All: 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. Amen.

Prayer For The Soul Of The Departed

Leader: God of faithfulness and power, in your wisdom you have called your child **N...**, out of this world. Release him/her from the bonds of sin and welcome him/her into your presence, so that he/she may enjoy eternal light and peace and be raised up in glory with all your saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Prayer For The Mourners

Leader: Lord our God, the death of our brother/sister **N...** recalls our human condition and the brevity of our lives on earth. But for those who believe in your love, death is not the end nor does it destroy the bonds that you forge in our lives. We share the faith of your son's disciples and the hope of the children of God. Bring the light of Christ's resurrection to this time of testing and pain as we pray for **N...** and for those who love him/her, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Leader: Blessed are those who have died in the Lord;
grant them the joys and the glory of your kingdom,
where they will live forever with You Father,
and Your Son, in the Spirit, and with all your
saints, and Mary our Mother now and forever.

All: Amen.

Leader: Eternal rest grant unto **N...**, O Lord.

All: And let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

Leader: May he/she rest in peace.

All: Amen.

Leader: May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen.

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Final Hymn

PART III: Interment Of Ashes At Columbarium

Opening Hymn

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Sr. Suzanne Toolan

I am the Bread of life.

You who come to me shall not hunger;
and who believe in me shall not thirst.

No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

*Refrain: And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever. *(Refrain)*

Greeting

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Minister: Praise be to God our Father, who
raised Jesus Christ from the dead.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Invitation

Minister: Our brother/sister **N...** has gone to his/her rest in the peace of Christ. May the Lord now welcome him/her to the table of God's children in heaven. With faith and hope in eternal life, let us assist him/her with our prayers.

Let us pray to the Lord also for ourselves. May we who mourn be reunited one day with our brother/sister; together may we meet Christ Jesus when he who is our life appears in glory.

Scripture Verse

Choose one of the following verses.

Minister: We read in sacred Scripture:

- A. MATTHEW 25:34
Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world."

- B. JOHN 6:39
"Now the will of him who sent me is that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day."

- C. REVELATION 1:5-6
"Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth.

He loves us and has washed away our sins
with his blood and made us a line of kings,
priests to serve his God and Father;
to him then, be glory and power for ever and ever.
Amen.”

Prayer Over The Place Of Interment

Minister: All praise to you, Lord of all creation.
Praise to you, holy and living God.
We praise and bless you for your mercy,
we praise and bless you for your kindness.
Blessed is the Lord, our God.

All: Blessed is the Lord, our God.

Minister: You sanctify the homes of the living
and make holy the places of the dead.
You alone open the gates of righteousness
and lead us to the dwellings of the saints.
Blessed is the Lord, our God.

All: Blessed is the Lord, our God.

Minister: We praise you, our refuge and strength.
We bless you, our God and Redeemer.
Your praise is always in our hearts and on our lips.
We remember the mighty deeds of the covenant.
Blessed is the Lord, our God.

All: Blessed is the Lord, our God.

Minister: Almighty and ever-living God, remember the

mercy with which you graced your servant **N...** in life. Receive him/her, we pray, into the mansions of the saints. As we make ready our brother's/sister's resting place, look also with favour on those who mourn and comfort them in their loss. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Committal

Minister: My friends, as we prepare to entomb the ashes of our brother/sister, we recall that our bodies bear the imprint of the first creation when they were fashioned from dust; but in faith we remember, too, that by the new creation we also bear the image of Jesus who was raised to glory. In confident hope that one day God will raise us and transform our mortal bodies, let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Minister: Faithful God, Lord of all creation, you desire that nothing redeemed by your Son will ever be lost, and that the just will be raised up on the last day. Comfort us today with the word of your promise as we return the ashes of our brother/sister to the earth. Grant **N...** a place of rest and peace where the world of dust and ashes has no dominion. Confirm us in our hope that he/she will be created anew on the day

when you will raise him/her up in glory to live
with you and all the saints for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

*All pause for silent prayer while the urn is placed in the niche by a
family member. Then, the plaque is placed to seal the niche.*

Intercessions

Minister: Dear friends, our Lord came to raise the dead
and comforts us with the solace of his love.
Let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

Response: *Lord, have mercy.*

Minister: Forgive his/her sins, and let him/her know the
healing power of your love. **R.**

Minister: Give him/her rest from the journeying and bless
him/her with your peace. **R.**

Minister: May his/her goodness still be felt and his/her
memory remain alive among us. **R.**

Minister: May all those who grieve for their loved ones
know comfort and peace of mind and heart. **R.**

Minister: May all our departed relatives and friends enjoy
the fullness of life with God. **R.**

Minister: Let us now pray the prayer that Jesus taught us.

All: 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. Amen.

Prayer For The Soul Of The Departed

Minister: God of holiness and power, accept our prayers on behalf of your servant **N...**; do not count his/her deeds against him/her, for in his/her heart he/she desired to do your will. As his/her faith united him/her to your people on earth, so may your mercy join him/her to the angels in heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Prayer Over The People

Minister: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing. Merciful Lord, you know the anguish of the sorrowful, you are attentive to the prayers of the humble. Hear your people who cry out to you in their need, and strengthen their hope in your lasting goodness. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The minister then says the following:

Minister: Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord.
All: And let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

Minister: May he/she rest in peace.
All: Amen.

Minister: May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
All: Amen.

A minister who is a priest or deacon says:

Minister: May the peace of God, which is beyond all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
All: Amen.

Minister: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

A lay minister says:

Minister: May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ bless and console us and gently wipe every tear from our eyes: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

The minister then concludes:

Minister: Go in the peace of Christ.
All: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide;
Wash me, ye waters, flowing from his side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;
O Blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;
In death's drear moments make me only thine;
Call me, and bid me come to thee on high,
Where I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

PART IV: HYMNS

A CALL TO CHRISTIANS

Myriam Frances

A light within the world,
yes, witnesses are we
to bear the light of Christ
for all the world to see.

*Refrain: We come with joy, O Christ,
In answer to your call
True love we give all.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Your love and light, O Lord,
you send us to impart
to those who know you not
yet love you in their heart. (*Refrain*)

Have mercy on the world,
that sin and strife may cease.
Extend your reign, O Christ:
you are the king of peace. (*Refrain*)

ABIDE WITH ME

Henry F. Lyte

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Lord who changes not, abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies!
Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee,
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

AMAZING GRACE

John Newton

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

AND I THANK YOU LORD

Dan Burgess

Thank you, Lord,
for the trials that come my way.
In that way I can grow each day
as I let you lead.
And thank you, Lord,
for the patience those trials bring,
In that process of growing,
I can learn to care.

*Refrain: But it goes against the way I am,
to put my human nature down,
and let the spirit take control of all I do.
'Cause when those trials come,
my human nature shouts the things to do.
And God's soft prompting can be easily ignored.*

I thank you, Lord,
with each trial I feel inside
that you're there to help,
lead and guide me away from wrong.
'Cause you promised Lord,
that with ev'ry testing,
that your way of escaping's easier to bear. (*Refrain*)

AS I KNEEL BEFORE YOU

Maria Parkinson

As I kneel before you,
as I bow my head in prayer,
take this day, make it yours
and fill me with your love.

*Refrain: Ave Maria,
Gratia plena,
Dominus tecum,
Benedicta tu.*

All I have I give you,
every dream and wish are yours,
Mother of Christ, Mother of mine,
present them to my Lord. (*Refrain*)

As I kneel before you,
and I see your smiling face,
ev'ry thought, ev'ry word
is lost in your embrace. (*Refrain*)

AS THE DEER

Martin J. Nystrom

As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longs after thee.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship thee.

*Refrain: You alone are my strength, my shield,
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship thee.*

You're my friend and you are my brother,
Even though you are a king,
I love you more than any other,
So much more than anything. (*Refrain*)

BE NOT AFRAID

Bob Dufford SJ

You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

*Refrain: Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.*

If you pass through raging waters
in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all. (*Refrain*)

BE THOU MY VISION

Slane

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art:
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, or man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won.
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

BLESSED ASSURANCE

Fanny J. Crosby

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his spirit, washed in his blood.

*Refrain: This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Saviour all the day long. (x2)*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *(Refrain)*

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Saviour am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *(Refrain)*

CHRIST BE BESIDE ME

James Quinn S.J

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts, thinking about me;
Christ be on all tongues, telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me;
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

*Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. (*Refrain*)

Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come. (*Refrain*)

EASTER SONG

Miriam Therese Winter

My Lord, he died for a kingdom
To redeem the hearts of men.
Now, my people, don't you weep,
He has risen from his sleep,
He lives again, alleluia.

*Refrain: Sing alleluia, the Lord is risen,
He is risen indeed, alleluia!*

My Lord came forth like the morning
With the splendour of the sun,
Came triumphant from the womb,
From the darkness of the tomb;
the vict'ry won, alleluia. (*Refrain*)

My Lord renewed all creation
That had waited late and long.
Now we all with one accord
Live and love our risen Lord.
This is our song: Alleluia. (*Refrain*)

HAIL MARY: GENTLE WOMAN

Landry

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of our death. Amen

*Refrain: Gentle woman, quiet light,
morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom; teach us love.*

You were chosen by the Father;
you were chosen for the Son.
You were chosen from all women
and for woman, shining one. (*Refrain*)

Blessed are you among women;
blest in turn all women, too.
Blessed they with peaceful spirits;
blessed they with gentle hearts. (*Refrain*)

HAIL, QUEEN OF HEAVEN

John Lingard

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,
Guide of the wanderer here below.
Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care,
Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the Sea,
Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless Maid,
We sinners make our prayers through thee,
Remind thy Son that He has paid
The price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, Star of the Sea,
Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him Who reigns above,
In Godhead One, in Persons Three,
The source of life, of grace, of love,
Homage we pay on bended knee
Do thou, bright Queen, Star of the Sea,
Pray for thy children, pray for me.

HOLY IS YOUR NAME

David Haas

My soul is filled with joy
as I sing to God my saviour:
you have looked upon your servant,
you have visited your people.

*Refrain: And holy is your name
through all generations!
Everlasting is your mercy
to the people you have chosen,
and holy is your name.*

I am lowly as a child,
but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered,
for all will call me blessed. (*Refrain*)

I proclaim the pow'r of God,
you do marvels for your servants;
though you scatter the proud hearted,
and destroy the might of princes. (*Refrain*)

*Refrain: And holy is your name
through all generations!
Everlasting is your mercy
to the people you have chosen,
and holy is your name.*

To the hungry you give food,
send the rich away empty,
in your mercy you are mindful
of the people you have chosen. (*Refrain*)

In your love you now fulfil
what you promised to your people
I will praise you, Lord, my saviour,
everlasting is your mercy. (*Refrain*)

HOSEA

Gregory Norbert

Come back to me with all your heart.
Don't let fear keep us apart.
Trees do bend, though straight and tall;
so must we to others' call.

*Refrain: Long have I waited for your coming
home to me, and living deeply our new life.*

The wilderness will lead you
to your heart where I will speak.

Integrity and justice
with tenderness you shall know. (*Refrain*)

You shall sleep secure with peace;
faithfulness will be your joy. (*Refrain*)

HOW GREAT THOU ART

Stuart K. Hine

O Lord, my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

*Refrain: Then sings my soul,
my Saviour God to thee;
How great thou art,
how great thou art! (x2)*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; (*Refrain*)

And when I think that God, his son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin; (*Refrain*)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! (*Refrain*)

I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

Scott Soper

I know that my Redeemer lives,
The One who calls me home.
I long to see God face to face,
To see with my own eyes.

*Refrain: I know that my Redeemer lives,
that I shall rise again. (x2)*

I know that I shall one day see,
The goodness of the Lord,
When God will wipe away our tears,
And death will be no more. (*Refrain*)

The last day I shall rise again,
Shall be remade like God.
My home shall be by God's own side,
The dying, rising Lord. (*Refrain*)

I'LL SING A HYMN TO MARY

J. Wyse and Donal Murray

I'll sing a hymn to Mary, the Mother of my God,
The Virgin of all virgins, of David's royal blood.
O teach me, holy Mary, a loving song to frame,
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
To love and bless they name.

O Lily of the Valley, O Mystic Rose, what tree
Or flower, e'en the fairest, is half so fair as thee?
O let me, though so lowly, recite my Mother's fame;
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

JESUS, REMEMBER ME

Jacques Berthier

Jesus, remember me
When you come into your kingdom.

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JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus is my plea;
Daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

We are weak but thou are strong,
Jesus keep us from all wrong;
We'll be satisfied as long,
As we walk dear Lord, close to thee.

Through this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who, with me, my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

When our feeble life is o'er;
Time for us will be no more.
When we cross the Jordan's shore,
we will walk, dear Lord, close to thee.

LOVING AND FORGIVING

Scott Soper

*Refrain: Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord;
slow to anger, rich in kindness,
loving and forgiving are you.*

All my being, bless the Lord,
bless the holy name of God.
All my being, bless the Lord,
rememb'ring the goodness of God. *(Refrain)*

God forgives us all our sins,
healing those who live in pain,
Saving us from final death.
God fills us with goodness and love. *(Refrain)*

Good and gracious is the Lord,
slow to anger, rich in love.
God remembers not our sins,
forgiving and loving is God. *(Refrain)*

As heaven soars above the earth,
so great the love of God for us.
As far as east is from the west,
the Lord takes our sins from us. *(Refrain)*

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME

Isaac Woodbury

Mother dear, O pray for me!
While far from heav'n and thee
I wander in a fragile bark
O'er life's tempestuous sea.
O Virgin Mother, from your throne,
So bright in bliss above,

Protect your child and cheer my path,
With your sweet smile of love.

*Refrain: Mother dear, remember me,
And never cease your care,
Till in heaven eternally,
Your love and bliss I share.*

Mother dear, O pray for me!
Should pleasure's siren lay,
E'er tempt your child to wander far
From virtue's path away.
When thorns beset life's devious way,
And darkling waters flow,
Then Mary aid your weeping child,
Yourself a mother show. (*Refrain*)

MOTHER DEAREST, MOTHER FAIREST

Our Lady of Help

Mother dearest, Mother fairest,
Help of all who call on thee!
Virgin purest, brightest rarest,
Help us, help, we cry to thee.

*Refrain: Mary, help us, help we pray. (x2)
Help us in all care and sorrow,
Mary help us, help we pray.*

Lady, help the absent loved ones,
How we miss their presence here!
May the hand of thy protection,
Guide and guard them far and near. (*Refrain*)

NEARER, MY GOD TO THEE

Nearer my God, to thee, nearer to thee;
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me!
Still all my song shall be, nearer my God, to thee!
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Deep in thy Sacred Heart, let me abide,
thou that hast bled for me, sorrow and died.
Sweet shall my weeping be, grief surely leading me,
nearer my God, to thee, nearer to Thee.

Friends may depart from me, night may come down,
clouds of adversity darken and frown.
Still through my tears I'll see, hope gently leading me,
nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME

Bernadette Farrell

O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.

O PUREST OF CREATURES

Frederick W. Faber

O purest of creatures! Sweet Mother, sweet maid;
the one spotless womb wherein Jesus was laid.
Dark night hath come down on us, Mother and we
look out for thy shining, sweet star of the sea.

Refrain: Ave, ave, ave, Maria! (x2)

He gazed on thy soul; it was spotless and fair;
For the empire of sin – it had never been there;
none ever had owned thee, dear Mother, but he,
and he blessed thy clear shining sweet star of the sea. (*Refrain*)

Earth gave him one lodging; 'twas deep in thy breast,
and God found a home where the sinner finds rest;
his home and his hiding place, both were in thee;
he was won by thy shining, sweet star of the sea. (*Refrain*)

OUR LADY OF THE WAY

No man can live as an island,
journeying through life alone.
Since we're most loved by a mother,
Jesus gave us his own.

*Refrain: Be with us, Mary, along the way.
Guide every step we take.
Lead us to Jesus, your loving Son.
Come with us, Mary, come.*

When Jesus met with rejection,
Mary stood by the cross.
How can a mother desert her son?
She'll also stand by us. (*Refrain*)

*Refrain: Be with us, Mary, along the way.
Guide every step we take.
Lead us to Jesus, your loving Son.
Come with us, Mary, come.*

Often enough in life's banquet
we shall run short of wine;
then as at Cana, request your Son
to make our lives divine. (*Refrain*)

PILGRIM SONG

Marie Therese Winter

Man is lonely by birth,
man is only a pilgrim on earth,
Born to be king, time is but a temporary thing,
only on loan while on earth.

Like the wind in the tree,
man has been rather reckless and free.
Thrown far and wide, he longs to settle down beside
the stream flowing through eternity.

Like the grass on the lawn,
he will pass by the way and be gone.
A lesson to learn: we walk but once, there's no return.
Time is always moving on.

Man is longing for One,
for a song and a place in the sun,
a home up above, where every day is lived in love,
for rest when the journey's done.

PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS

Sebastian Temple

Make me a channel of your peace:
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord.
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

*Refrain: O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood, as to understand,
To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace:
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
And where there's darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life. (*Refrain*)

SHEPHERD ME, O GOD

Marty Haugen

*Refrain: Shepherd me, O God,
beyond my wants,
beyond my fears,
from death into life.*

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. *(Refrain)*

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your Name. *(Refrain)*

Though I shall wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. *(Refrain)*

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
all the days of my life; I will dwell in
the house of my God forever more. *(Refrain)*

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY JESUS IS CALLING

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

*Refrain: Come home, come home,
you who are weary, come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling for you to come home!*

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? (*Refrain*)

O for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. (*Refrain*)

SPIRIT SONG

John Wimber

O let the Son of God enfold you,
With his Spirit and his love.
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let him have the things that hold you.
And his Spirit like a dove, will descend upon your life and
make you whole.

*Refrain: O Jesus, O Jesus,
Come and fill your lambs. (x2)*

O come and sing this song with gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy.
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.
O give him all the tears and sadness,
give him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. (*Refrain*)

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*Refrain: The light of Christ has come into the world;
the light of Christ has come into the world.*

We must all be born again
to see the Kingdom of God;
the water and the Spirit bring
new life in God's love. *(Refrain)*

God gave up his only Son
out of love for the world,
so that all who believe in him
will live forever. *(Refrain)*

The light of God has come to us
so that we might have salvation;
from the darkness of our sins
we walk into glory with Christ Jesus. *(Refrain)*

THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

George Bennard

On a hill far away
stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suff'ring and shame;
and I love that old cross
where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

*Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.*

Oh, that old rugged cross,
so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God
left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary. (*Refrain*)

In the old rugged cross,
stained with blood so divine,
such a wondrous beauty I see;
for 'twas on that old cross
Jesus suffered and died
to pardon and sanctify me. (*Refrain*)

To the old rugged cross
I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear.
Then He'll call me some day
to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share. (*Refrain*)

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

Helen H. Lemmel

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full on his wonderful face.
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of his glory and grace.

Turn your thoughts upon Jesus.
Think deep of his comforting love,
And the thought of self and of sin and pride,
Will be lost in the rapture above.

Give your hearts unto Jesus,
Cast each heavy burden aside,
And the peace and joy of his presence near,
Will enter and ever abide.

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

Joseph Scriven

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear?
All because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.

YOU ARE MINE

David Haas

I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice,
be still and know I am here. (*Refrain*)

I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light, come and rest in me. (*Refrain*)

*Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.*

I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name. (*Refrain*)

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name,
embracing all your pain,
stand up, now walk and live. (*Refrain*)

YOU ARE NEAR

*Refrain: O Lord, I know you are near,
standing always at my side.
You guard me from the foe,
and you lead me in ways everlasting*

Lord, you have searched my heart,
and you know when I sit and when I stand.
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death,
keeping me from harm. (*Refrain*)

Where can I run from your love?
If I climb to the heavens you are there;
if I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea,
still I'd find you there. (*Refrain*)

You know my heart and its ways,
you who formed me before I was born,
in the secret of darkness before I saw the sun,
in my mother's womb. (*Refrain*)

Marvellous to me are your works;
how profound are your thoughts, my Lord.
Even if I could count them, they number as the stars,
you would still be there. (*Refrain*)

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