

A LITURGY FOR GOOD FRIDAY  
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THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

☩: We venerate thy Cross, O Lord: and praise and glorify thy holy Resurrection: for by virtue of the Cross joy hath come to the whole world.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did open the sea before thee: and thou hast opened my side with a spear.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did go before thee in the pillar of cloud: and thou hast led me unto the judgement hall of Pilate.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did feed thee with manna in the desert: and thou hast stricken me with blows and scourges.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did give thee to drink the water of life from the rock: and thou hast given me to drink but gall and vinegar.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did smite the kings of the Canaanites for thy sake: and thou hast smitten my head with a reed.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did give thee a royal sceptre: and thou hast given unto my head a crown of thorns.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

☩: I did raise thee on high with great power: and thou hast hanged me upon the gibbet of the Cross.

℞: *O my people, what have I done unto thee: or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

Let us pray, dearly beloved, for the holy Church of God; that the Lord our God would vouchsafe to preserve it throughout the whole world in unity, peace, and safety; and bring into accord with it all powers and principalities: and that he would grant us grace, in lives of peace and quietness, to glorify God the Father Almighty.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who in Christ hast manifested thy glory to all nations: keep, we beseech thee, that which thine own mercy hath wrought; that thy Church, spread abroad throughout all the world, may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name. Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for ☩Paul our Bishop, and for blessed ☩Mark our Primate: that the Lord our God, who hath chosen them to the Order of Bishops, would preserve them in health and safety to his holy Church, for the governance of God's holy people.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose wisdom all things are established: favourably regard our prayers, and preserve our chosen Bishops by thy goodness; that the Christian folk governed by thine authority may increase in the merit of faith under such worthy rulers. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray also for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with all others who serve in the ministry of thy Church, and in Religious Orders; and for all God's holy people.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee. Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for the President of the United States, and for all in Civil Authority; that the Lord our God, restraining by them every force of evil, would keep us in perpetual peace and safety.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite: Have mercy upon this whole land; and so rule the hearts of thy servants the President of the United States, *The Governor of this State*, and all others in authority, that they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all the People, duly considering whose authority they bear, may faithfully and obediently honour them,

according to thy blessed Word and ordinance. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for our catechumens; and for all that are under instruction: that the Lord our God would open their hearts, and the door of his mercy; that having obtained remission of all their sins by the washing of regeneration, they also may be found in Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who makest thy Church to be ever fruitful with new offspring: increase the faith and understanding of our catechumens; that being born again in the font of Baptism, they may be gathered into the number of thine adopted children. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray, dearly beloved, to God the Father Almighty, that he would purge the world from every error; banish diseases; restore the sick unto health; drive away famine; unbar the prisons and loosen every chain; assure a way of return to them that journey; and bring all travelers by air or by sea to a haven of safety.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, the comfort of the sorrowful and the strength of them that toil: let the prayers of all that cry unto thee by reason of any tribulation come before thee; that they may rejoice to find the relief of thy loving mercy in their several necessities. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for all that are in heresy and schism; that the Lord our God would set them free from all false doctrine, and vouchsafe to restore them to their holy mother the Catholic and Apostolic Church.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who savest all, and wouldest not that any should perish: look upon the souls that are deceived by the craft of the devil; that, laying aside all malice and heresy, the hearts of the erring may recover wisdom, and return to the unity of thy truth. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for God's ancient Chosen People; that the Lord our God would take away the veil from their hearts, that they also may acknowledge Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who deniest not thy mercy to the unbelieving Jews: hear our prayers which we offer unto thee for the blindness of thine own People; that, acknowledging the light of thy truth, which is Christ, they may be brought out of their darkness. Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us also pray for the heathen, that Almighty God would cleanse their hearts from all iniquity; that, forsaking their idols, they may be converted to the true and living God, and to his only Son Jesus Christ our Lord and God.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his wickedness and live: mercifully accept our prayers, and deliver the heathen from the worship of idols; and for the praise and glory of thy Name, admit them into thy holy Church. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

## THE SOLEMN REPROACHES

O MY people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.

℣: Because I brought thee from the land of Egypt: thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

℟: *Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.*

℣: Because I led thee through the desert forty years, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into a land exceeding good: thou hast prepared a cross for thy Saviour.

℟: *Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.*

℣: What more could I have done for thee that I have not done? I indeed did plant thee, O my vineyard, with exceeding fair fruit: and thou art become very bitter unto me: for vinegar, mingled with gall, thou gavest me when thirsty: and hast pierced with a spear the side of thy Saviour.

℟: *Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.*

℣: I did scourge Egypt with her firstborn for thy sake: and thou has scourged me and delivered me up.

℟: *O my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me.*

℣: I led thee forth out of Egypt, drowning Pharaoh in the Red Sea: and thou hast delivered me up unto the chief priests.

℣: We venerate thy Cross, O Lord: and praise and glorify thy holy Resurrection: for by virtue of the Cross joy hath come to the whole world.

*Psalms 67* God be merciful unto us and bless us:

℟: *And shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.*