

Mark 14:

22 As they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread and asked God's blessing on it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "Take it, for this is my body."

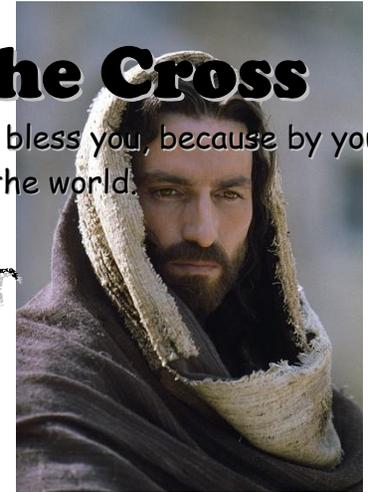
23 And he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And he said to them, "This is my blood, poured out for many, sealing the covenant between God and his people. 25 I solemnly declare that I will not drink wine again until that day when I drink it new in the Kingdom of God." 26 Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.



Praying the Stations of the Cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

Opening Prayer



Lord Jesus Christ, take me along that holy way you once took to your death, Take my mind, my memory, above all my reluctant heart, and let me see what once you did for love of me and all the world.

The First Station: Jesus is Condemned



"Behold your king," says Pilate. "Away with him," the people shout. And they sent you to your death. Lord Jesus, Word made flesh, Light for our dark world, God come to save us, may we never send you away.

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The Second Station: Jesus carries his cross



You were led to Calvary, Lord, carrying the cross by yourself.
Yet was the cross only yours, or was it also mine you bore?
By your holy cross, O Jesus, make me strong and able
to take up the cross I must bear.

The Third Station: Jesus falls



How strange to see you fall as anyone does who cannot go on.
And yet you rise again to take the few steps more you can.

**By your first fall, O Jesus, give your risen grace to those
who fall and cannot rise.**

The Fourteenth Station: Jesus is buried

You were buried in a garden tomb, like a seed fallen into the
ground, waiting to rise again. Lord, help us rise again after dying
with you. May all who have fallen asleep
rise again.



Christ rises

Suddenly, without warning, Jesus stood before them and said,
"Peace! Do not be afraid! Go and carry the news to the others that
they are to go to Galilee where they will see me." Mt 28



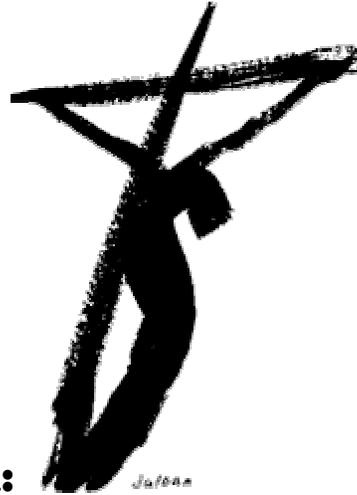
The Twelfth Station: Jesus dies

Once the prophet said:

"Who can believe our report?"

God's Servant, crushed in sorrow, pierced for our offenses!

Shall we not stand watching, Lord, mourning the sins you bear,
rejoicing in the pardon you bestow?



The Thirteenth Station: Jesus is taken down from the cross

Resting in your mother's arms
when taken from the cross,
you died trusting a Father's care,
faithful unto death.

By your holy death, O Lord,
give us an unflinching trust in God,
commend us to your Father's hands.

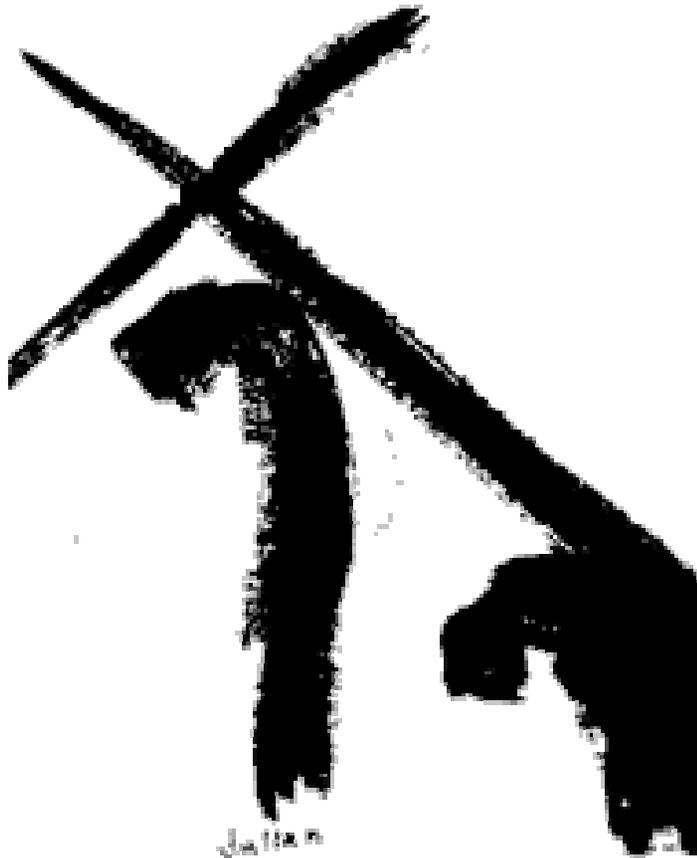


The Fourth Station: Jesus meets his mother



O Mother of my Savior, you stand beside your Son.
With love beyond all telling, you share his grief as one.
How shall I know your sorrow, your tears beyond compare?
Deep in my heart stand watching, and call my memory there.

**The Fifth Station:
Simon helps carry the cross**



Simon, coming in from the fields, was pressed to carry your cross. Did he come to know you, Lord, walking by your side?

By your meeting with the Cyrenean, may we find you in the stranger, and in the needy we meet.

The Tenth Station: Jesus is stripped

They divided your garments
and cast lots for your clothes.
Stripped of all dignity,
you had nothing of your own.
By your despoilment, O Lord,
clothe us in your mercy
which is rich beyond words.



**The Eleventh Station:
Jesus is nailed to the cross**



Nailed to the cross, you know how many feel who, bound by circumstance, year by year get nowhere. By your riven hands and feet, Lord, help those fixed to a cross by long illness or misfortune.

**The Sixth Station:
Veronica wipes Jesus' face**



A woman named Veronica kindly washed your face with a towel. Such a simple thing! A towel, a cup of water, a loving word. By your meeting with Veronica, Lord, help us value such small things, so great when given in your name.

**The Seventh Station:
Jesus falls the second time**



Can God fall, a mighty God, whose hands uphold all that is? By your second fall, O Lord, remember how weak we are, remember our helplessness, remember our human frailty, and come to our assistance.

**Eighth Station:
Jesus meets the women**



Women wept as you passed and you said, "Weep not for me but for your children." Keep the grace of this meeting alive in our hearts, Lord. Keep us concerned for humanity's children.

**The Ninth Station:
Jesus falls the third time**

Like water poured out,
your strength is gone.
You fall as if to the dust of death.
By your third fall, O Lord,
give us courage before our trials
and patience to go on.
Help us in our need.

