



Good Friday

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Save the Date
Earth Day Lessons and Carols
*Commemorating the 10th Anniversary of **Laudato Si***
Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 3:30pm

Through choral works and meditative readings, following the example of Pope Francis, we celebrate the wonders of creation and examine our faithful stewardship of these gifts.
SCHOLA CANTORUM AND FESTIVAL SINGERS

Prayer after Communion

Please stand.

Prayer over the People

The ministers depart in silence.



FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

April 18, 2025

Hour of Reflection on the Lord's Passion

Rita Ferrone
Presenter

at twelve noon

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Robert Cardinal McElroy
Archbishop of Washington
Celebrant

at one in the afternoon

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
Washington, District of Columbia

To maintain a prayerful atmosphere, please silence your mobile devices.

HOUR OF REFLECTION ON THE LORD'S PASSION

at twelve noon

The ministers enter in silence.

Hymn

Sing, My Tongue, the Song of Triumph

PICARDY

Sing, my tongue, the song of triumph,
 He endured the nails, the spit-ting,
 Faithful Cross, above all other,
 Bend your boughs, O Tree of glory!

Tell the story far and wide;
 Vinegar and spear and reed;
 One and on-ly no-ble tree,
 All your rigid branch-es, bend!

Tell of dread and fi-nal bat-tle,
 From that ho-ly bod-y bro-ken
 None in fo-liage, none in-blos-som,
 For a while the an-cient tem-per

Sing of Sav-ior cru-ci-fied;
 Blood and wa-ter forth pro-ceed:
 None in fruit your peer may-be;
 That your birth be-stowed, sus-pend;

How up-on the cross a vic-tim
 Earth and stars and sky and cean
 Sweet the wood and sweet the ron
 And the King of earth and heav-en

Van- quish - ing in death he died.
 By that flood from stain are freed.
 And your load, most sweet is he.
 Gent - ly on your bo - som tend.

HOLY COMMUNION

Lord's Prayer

Please stand.

Communion Antiphon

Lord, To Your Feast We Come

Alexis Lvov (1798-1870)

Lord, to your feast we come. Here our lives are renewed.
 Here there is mercy; the food and the cup are your own.
 O may we ever be faithful, O Lord. May we never like Judas betray you;
 But call like the thief for your mercy: Lord, remember me.
 Lord, remember me, in your mercy receive me.
 Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Communion Procession

In Memory of You

C. Alexander Peloquin

Lord, Je - sus! You are here with us

This we do in me - mo - ry of you.

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Communion Motet

Ave Verum

William Byrd (1540-1623)

Hail true Body, born of the Virgin Mary: Who truly suffered,
 And was sacrificed on a cross for us:
 Whose side was pierced, Whence flowed water and blood:
 Be for us a foretaste of heaven as death nears.
 O Jesus sweet, O Jesus holy, O Jesus Son of Mary,
 Have mercy on me. Amen.

ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Please stand.

Showing of the Holy Cross

(Please kneel after each response.)



Adoration of the Holy Cross

All may approach to reverence the cross.

Music during the Adoration of the Cross

Good Friday Reproaches

arr. Charles Thatcher/Tomás Luis de Victoria

My people what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us!



The Seven Last Words

Gerald F. Muller

Pater, dimitte illis, non enim sciunt quid faciunt.

Father, forgive them; they know not what they do.

Amen, dico tibi: Hodie mecum eris in Paradiso.

Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

Mulier, ecce filius tuus. Ecce mater tua.

Women, behold your son. Son, behold your mother.

Deus meus, ut quid dereliquisti me?

My God, why have you forsaken me?

Sitio.

I thirst.

Consummatum est.

It has ended; it is finished.

Pater, in manus tuas commendo spiritum meum.

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

at one in the afternoon

*All stand as the procession of ministers enters in silence.
The Cardinal, the other ministers and the assembly kneel.
Then, after a period of silent prayer, all stand.*

Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 52: 13—53:12

Responsorial Psalm

Howard Hughes



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Second Reading

Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9

Gospel Acclamation

Robert LeBlanc



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THE PASSION

John 18: 1—19: 42

Passion Acclamations

*Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us and is risen from the dead.
He is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.*

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*Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.*

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Homily

Cardinal McElroy

The Solemn Intercessions

Please stand.

Lord, Hear our prayer; Deus exaudi nos; Señor, escúchanos.

Announcement concerning the Collection for the Holy Land

Please be seated.

The daily news reminds us of the violence and instability plaguing the Middle East, but we rarely hear of the shrinking Christian community there, a community that struggles to remain in the land of Christ's birth, death, and resurrection. Please help support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land by giving to today's special Good Friday Collection. This Pontifical Collection allows the Franciscans and others to continue caring for Christianity's holiest sites and for God's people in the Holy Land. Please be generous in your support.

Hymn

O Sacred Head Surrounded

PASSION CHORALE

