

Saint Dominic Academy
Holy Week Virtual Prayer Service

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Opening Prayer: Natalie Pinto

Lord God,
We tremble to think
That it was one of Jesus' own friends who betrayed him.
One who sat by him, who broke bread with him.
Give us strength, we pray,
To walk faithfully with Jesus,
Even when the road we walk is rocky
Even when the message of the cross seems like foolishness
And even when we feel betrayed.
You, Lord, are always faithful.
We stumble, we become lost,
But you are steady and sure.
Give us the grace to endure our troubles. Amen

First Reading: Danielle Pinto

A Reading From Corinthians 11: 23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread,

24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

25 In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks Be To God

Gospel Reading: Claire Roake

A Reading from the Book of John

Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

2: And during supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him,

3: Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God,

4: rose from supper, laid aside his garments, and girded himself with a towel.

5: Then he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded.

6: He came to Simon Peter; and Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?"

7: Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not know now, but afterward you will understand."

8: Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me."

9: Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

10: Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but he is clean all over; and you are clean, but not every one of you."

11: For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "You are not all clean."

12: When he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?"

13: You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.

14: If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

15: For I have given you an example that you also should do as I have done to you.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.

The Stations of the Cross: A Reflection- Elyse and Dana Sanchez

After Danielle reads each station, Natalie will lead us all in the following response:

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

1) Jesus is condemned to death.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

2) Jesus accepts the cross.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

3) Jesus falls the first time.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

4) Jesus meets His Mother

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

5) Simon of Cyrene carries the cross.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

6) Veronica wipes the face of Jesus.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

7) Jesus falls the second time.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

8) Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

9) Jesus falls the third time.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

10) Jesus is stripped of His garments.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

11) Crucifixion: Jesus is nailed to the cross.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

12) Jesus dies on the cross.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

13) Jesus' body is removed from the cross.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

14) Jesus is laid in the tomb and covered in incense.

Response: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise You. Through your suffering on the cross, You alone have redeemed the world.

The Seven Last Words of Christ: A Reflection- Joan Roake.

We will pause and pray an Our Father together, after each of the words is read. Joan will read the words of Jesus and Danielle will lead the Our Father after each.

Natalie: ***The church celebrates on Friday the death of Jesus on the cross, and contemplates on his sufferings and death. Let us now prayerfully listen to the last few words of Jesus.***

The First Word: Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they're doing.

All: Our Father...

The Second Word: I assure you; today you will be with me in Paradise .

All: Our Father...

The Third Word: Dear woman, here is your son. And to John, this is your Mother.

All: Our Father...

The Fourth Word: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All: Our Father...

The Fifth Word: I am thirsty.

All: Our Father...

The Sixth Word: It is finished.

All: Our Father...

The Seventh Word: Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

All: Our Father

Closing Prayer: Maria Sasso

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*