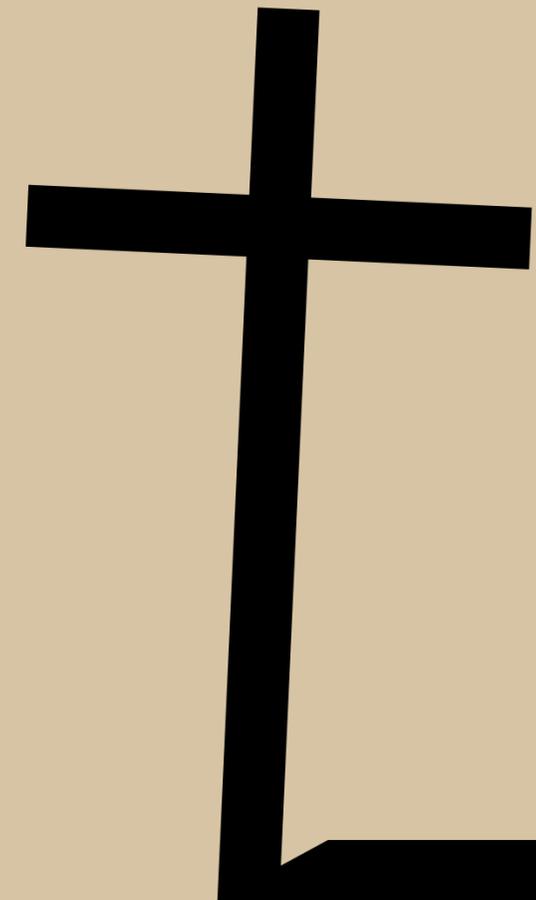


HOLY THURSDAY  
7 CHURCHES VISITATION



# ORDER OF EVENTS

1. HOLY THURSDAY MASS
2. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT AT CATHEDRAL
3. MEET IN PARKING LOT AND GET IN  
CARS
4. CHURCH VISITATIONS
5. DINNER!

# HISTORY OF 7 CHURCHES VISITATION

STARTED IN THE 1500'S BY ST. PHILIP NERI, PILGRIMS WOULD WALK TO THE 7 MAJOR BASILICAS IN ROME AS A WAY OF KEEPING WATCH WITH CHRIST THROUGH HIS AGONY IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE BEFORE HIS PASSION.



# BEFORE WE BEGIN

TONIGHT, WE WILL BE FOLLOWING JESUS AS HE  
PRAYS IN THE GARDEN, IS ARRESTED AND TRIED  
AND CONDEMNED TO DIE ON THE CROSS.

EACH STATION IS A SNAPSHOT OF THE FINAL  
HOURS OF JESUS' LIFE.

TONIGHT, WE ENTER INTO PRAYER AND IMAGINE  
OURSELVES IN HIS SHOES AND THE SHOES OF  
THE APOSTLES.

## THEME

# WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

JESUS HAS BEEN CONDUCTING HIS PUBLIC MINISTRY FOR 3 YEARS. PERFORMING MIRACLES, HEALING THE SICK, SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER.

MANY HAVE STARTED TO FOLLOW JESUS BUT OTHERS DON'T KNOW WHAT TO MAKE OF HIM.

# MEDITATION FOR VISITATIONS

<sup>27</sup> JESUS WENT OUT, ALONG WITH HIS DISCIPLES, TO THE VILLAGES OF CAESAREA PHILIPPI; AND ON THE WAY HE QUESTIONED HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING TO THEM, "WHO DO PEOPLE SAY THAT I AM?" <sup>28</sup> THEY TOLD HIM, SAYING, "JOHN THE BAPTIST; AND OTHERS SAY ELIJAH; AND OTHERS, ONE OF THE PROPHETS." <sup>29</sup> AND HE CONTINUED QUESTIONING THEM: "BUT WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?" PETER ANSWERED AND \*SAID TO HIM, "YOU ARE THE (A)CHRIST." <sup>30</sup> AND HE (B)WARNED THEM TO TELL NO ONE ABOUT HIM.

MARK 8: 27-30

# MEDITATION FOR VISITATIONS

IF YOU WERE WALKING WITH JESUS, HOW WOULD YOU  
ANSWER THE QUESTION,  
“WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?”

TONIGHT, CONTEMPLATE JESUS MINISTRY, WHAT HE HAS  
SAID AND THINK ABOUT HOW YOU WOULD ANSWER THIS  
QUESTION.

# MEDITATION FOR VISITATIONS

HE IS THE MESSIAH - BUT IS HE YOUR MESSIAH?

HE IS THE SAVIOR - BUT IS HE YOUR SAVIOR?

IF YOU HAVE AN ANSWER ALREADY PONDER-

WHY IS HE YOUR SAVIOR?

HOW DID YOU GET TO THAT POINT?

WHAT HAS HE DONE FOR YOU?

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR HIM?

# NAMES AND TITLES OF JESUS

MESSIAH, CHRIST, THE ALPHA AND  
OMEGA, SON OF GOD, HOLY ONE,  
THE I AM, SAVIOR, REDEEMER,  
EMMANUEL, THE WORD, THE LAMB  
OF GOD, THE SHEPHERD, THE  
SUFFERING SERVANT

# INSTRUCTIONS

1. EACH STATION HAS A SCRIPTURE READING
2. IN THE CAR: READ THE SCRIPTURE ALOUD. FEEL FREE TO START A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE SCRIPTURE.
3. IN THE CHURCH: MEDITATE AND PRAY WITH THE SCRIPTURE AS YOU PRAY BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
4. THINK OF YOUR TITLE OF JESUS THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, DON'T SHARE IT UNTIL THE END OF THE VISITATIONS

# MEDITATIVE PRAYER - HELPFUL TIPS

“MEDITATION IS THE ACTIVITY OF CALLING TO MIND, AND THINKING OVER, AND DWELLING ON, AND APPLYING TO ONESELF, THE VARIOUS THINGS THAT ONE KNOWS ABOUT THE WORKS AND WAYS AND PURPOSES AND PROMISES OF GOD.”

1. TAKE A FEW CALMING BREATHERS
2. MAKE YOURSELF AWARE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD
3. READ THE SCRIPTURE SLOWLY, ALLOWING YOUR MIND TO ABSORB THE WORD.
4. THINK ABOUT THE QUESTION, “WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?”
5. END IN THANKSGIVING.

# ITINERARY/DIRECTIONS

Start: Cathedral

Stop 1: St. Daniel's Adoration Chapel

Stop 2: Blessed Sacrament Church

Stop 3: St. John the Baptist

Stop 4: Assumption

Stop 4.5: Cathedral Parking Lot

Stop 5: Sacred Heart Basc.

Stop 6: St. Marianne Cope

# JESUS IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

## LUKE 22: 39-46

39 HE THEN LEFT TO MAKE HIS WAY AS USUAL TO THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, WITH THE DISCIPLES FOLLOWING.

40 WHEN HE REACHED THE PLACE HE SAID TO THEM, 'PRAY NOT TO BE PUT TO THE TEST.'

41 THEN HE WITHDREW FROM THEM, ABOUT A STONE'S THROW AWAY, AND KNELT DOWN AND PRAYED.

42 'FATHER,' HE SAID, 'IF YOU ARE WILLING, TAKE THIS CUP AWAY FROM ME. NEVERTHELESS, LET YOUR WILL BE DONE, NOT MINE.'

43 THEN AN ANGEL APPEARED TO HIM, COMING FROM HEAVEN TO GIVE HIM STRENGTH.

44 IN HIS ANGUISH HE PRAYED EVEN MORE EARNESTLY, AND HIS SWEAT FELL TO THE GROUND LIKE GREAT DROPS OF BLOOD.

45 WHEN HE ROSE FROM PRAYER HE WENT TO THE DISCIPLES AND FOUND THEM SLEEPING FOR SHEER GRIEF.

46 AND HE SAID TO THEM, 'WHY ARE YOU ASLEEP? GET UP AND PRAY NOT TO BE PUT TO THE TEST.'



# JESUS BEFORE ANNAS

JOHN 18:19-22

19 THE HIGH PRIEST QUESTIONED JESUS ABOUT HIS DISCIPLES AND HIS TEACHING.

20 JESUS ANSWERED, 'I HAVE SPOKEN OPENLY FOR ALL THE WORLD TO HEAR; I HAVE ALWAYS TAUGHT IN THE SYNAGOGUE AND IN THE TEMPLE WHERE ALL THE JEWS MEET TOGETHER; I HAVE SAID NOTHING IN SECRET.

21 WHY ASK ME? ASK MY HEARERS WHAT I TAUGHT; THEY KNOW WHAT I SAID.'

22 AT THESE WORDS, ONE OF THE GUARDS STANDING BY GAVE JESUS A SLAP IN THE FACE, SAYING, 'IS THAT THE WAY YOU ANSWER THE HIGH PRIEST?'

NEXT STOP:



# JESUS TAKEN BEFORE THE HIGH PRIEST, CAIAPHAS

63 BUT JESUS WAS SILENT. AND THE HIGH PRIEST SAID TO HIM, 'I PUT YOU ON OATH BY THE LIVING GOD TO TELL US IF YOU ARE THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD.'

64 JESUS ANSWERED HIM, 'IT IS YOU WHO SAY IT. BUT, I TELL YOU THAT FROM THIS TIME ONWARD YOU WILL SEE THE SON OF MAN SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE POWER AND COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF HEAVEN.'

65 THEN THE HIGH PRIEST TORE HIS CLOTHES AND SAID, 'HE HAS BLASPHEMED. WHAT NEED OF WITNESSES HAVE WE NOW? THERE! YOU HAVE JUST HEARD THE BLASPHEMY.'

MATTHEW 26: 63-65



# JESUS IS TAKEN BEFORE PILATE

JOHN 18:35-37

35 PILATE ANSWERED, 'AM I A JEW? IT IS YOUR OWN PEOPLE AND THE CHIEF PRIESTS WHO HAVE HANDED YOU OVER TO ME: WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?'

36 JESUS REPLIED, 'MINE IS NOT A KINGDOM OF THIS WORLD; IF MY KINGDOM WERE OF THIS WORLD, MY MEN WOULD HAVE FOUGHT TO PREVENT MY BEING SURRENDERED TO THE JEWS. AS IT IS, MY KINGDOM DOES NOT BELONG HERE.'

37 PILATE SAID, 'SO, THEN YOU ARE A KING?' JESUS ANSWERED, 'IT IS YOU WHO SAY THAT I AM A KING. I WAS BORN FOR THIS, I CAME INTO THE WORLD FOR THIS, TO BEAR WITNESS TO THE TRUTH; AND ALL WHO ARE ON THE SIDE OF TRUTH LISTEN TO MY VOICE.'



# JESUS IS TAKEN BEFORE HEROD

LUKE 23: 8-11

8 HEROD WAS DELIGHTED TO SEE JESUS; HE HAD HEARD ABOUT HIM AND HAD BEEN WANTING FOR A LONG TIME TO SET EYES ON HIM; MOREOVER, HE WAS HOPING TO SEE SOME MIRACLE WORKED BY HIM.

9 SO HE QUESTIONED HIM AT SOME LENGTH, BUT WITHOUT GETTING ANY REPLY.

10 MEANWHILE THE CHIEF PRIESTS AND THE SCRIBES WERE THERE, VIGOROUSLY PRESSING THEIR ACCUSATIONS.

11 THEN HEROD, TOGETHER WITH HIS GUARDS, TREATED HIM WITH CONTEMPT AND MADE FUN OF HIM; HE PUT A RICH CLOAK ON HIM AND SENT HIM BACK TO PILATE.



# JESUS IS TAKEN BEFORE PILATE AGAIN

## MATTHEW 27:22-26

22 PILATE SAID TO THEM, 'BUT IN THAT CASE, WHAT AM I TO DO WITH JESUS WHO IS CALLED CHRIST?' THEY ALL SAID, 'LET HIM BE CRUCIFIED!'

23 HE ASKED, 'BUT WHAT HARM HAS HE DONE?' BUT THEY SHOUTED ALL THE LOUDER, 'LET HIM BE CRUCIFIED!'

24 THEN PILATE SAW THAT HE WAS MAKING NO IMPRESSION, THAT IN FACT A RIOT WAS IMMINENT. SO HE TOOK SOME WATER, WASHED HIS HANDS IN FRONT OF THE CROWD AND SAID, 'I AM INNOCENT OF THIS MAN'S BLOOD. IT IS YOUR CONCERN.'

25 AND THE PEOPLE, EVERY ONE OF THEM, SHOUTED BACK, 'LET HIS BLOOD BE ON US AND ON OUR CHILDREN!'

26 THEN HE RELEASED BARABBAS FOR THEM. AFTER HAVING JESUS SCOURGED HE HANDED HIM OVER TO BE CRUCIFIED.



# JESUS IS GIVEN THE CROWN OF THORNS AND LED TO HIS CRUCIFIXION

27 THEN THE GOVERNOR'S SOLDIERS TOOK JESUS WITH THEM INTO THE PRAETORIUM AND COLLECTED THE WHOLE COHORT ROUND HIM.

28 AND THEY STRIPPED HIM AND PUT A SCARLET CLOAK ROUND HIM,  
29 AND HAVING TWISTED SOME THORNS INTO A CROWN THEY PUT THIS ON HIS HEAD AND PLACED A REED IN HIS RIGHT HAND. TO MAKE FUN OF HIM THEY KNELT TO HIM SAYING, 'HAIL, KING OF THE JEWS!'

30 AND THEY SPAT ON HIM AND TOOK THE REED AND STRUCK HIM ON THE HEAD WITH IT.

31 AND WHEN THEY HAD FINISHED MAKING FUN OF HIM, THEY TOOK OFF THE CLOAK AND DRESSED HIM IN HIS OWN CLOTHES AND LED HIM AWAY TO CRUCIFIXION.

MATTHEW 27: 27-31



**WHO DO YOU SAY**

**I AM?**