

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Good Friday

St. Mary Catholic Church

April 9, 2020

The Priest wearing red vestments as for Mass goes to the altar in silence and, after making a sign of reverence to the altar prostrates himself and prays in silence for a while. All others kneel.

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25

R. Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading: John 18:1-19:42

Homily

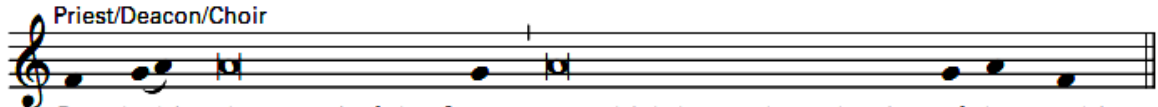
General Intercessions

The Adoration of the Holy Cross

The Cross is brought forth and is unveiled to the accompaniment of the faithful.


Chant

Priest/Deacon/Choir



Be - hold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world.

All




Come, let us a-dore.


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Song during the Adoration of the Holy Cross: Hold us in Your Mercy (Cooney/Daigle)

Cantor:




All:



Hold us in your mer - cy. Hold us in your mer - cy.

Cantor:



All:



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Following the unveiling of the Cross, all are invited to venerate a Cross in their own home for a short period of time.

Prayer of St. Bernadette before the Cross:

Let the crucifix be not only in my eyes and on my breast, but in my heart. O Jesus! Release all my affections and draw them upwards. Let my crucified heart sink forever into Yours and bury itself in the mysterious wound made by the entry of the lance.

Communion Rite

Our Father

Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Concluding Rites

Prayer over the People

The priest departs in silence. After the celebration, the altar is stripped, but the Cross remains. We now enter into a universal period of silent prayer, fasting, and penance. We meditate on Christ's Passion and Death, his Descent into Hell, and we await his Resurrection.

