

Family Prayers for Thursday, April 16, 2020 (Service of Christ's Passion)

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, Who art everywhere and fillest all things; Treasury of Blessings, and Giver of Life - come and abide in us, and cleanse us from every impurity, and save our souls, O Good One.

Holy God! Holy Mighty! Holy Immortal! Have mercy on us. (3x)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Lord, cleanse us from our sins. O Master, pardon our transgressions. O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for Thy name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

When the glorious disciples were enlightened at the washing of their feet before the supper, then the impious Judas was darkened, ailing with avarice, and to the lawless judges he betrays Thee, the Righteous Judge. Behold, O lover of money, this man who because of money hanged himself. Flee from the greedy soul which dared such things against the Master. O Lord, Who art good toward mankind, glory to Thee!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Today the blameless Virgin saw Thee suspended upon the Cross, O Word. She mourned within herself and was sorely pierced in her heart. She groaned in agony from the depths of her soul. Exhausted from tearing her hair and cheeks and beating her breast, she cried out, lamenting: "Woe is me, O my divine child! Woe is me, O Light of the World! Why hast Thou departed from my eyes, O Lamb of God?" Then the bodiless hosts were seized with trembling and cried: "O incomprehensible Lord, glory to Thee!"

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

By thy righteous deeds thou hast given to the world
an example of virtue, faith, and abstinence.
Wherefore thou hast won greatness by humility,
and riches by poverty.
O Father and Prelate Nicholas,
intercede with Christ our God
for the salvation of our souls.

Reading from the Holy Gospel ([John 19:25-37](#))

(kneel)

Today He who hung the earth upon the water is hung on a tree. The King of the angels is decked with a crown of thorns. He who wraps the heavens in clouds is wrapped in the purple of mockery. He who freed Adam in the Jordan is slapped on the face. The Bridegroom of the Church is affixed to the Cross with nails. The Son of the Virgin is pierced by a spear. We worship Thy passion, O Christ. We worship Thy passion, O Christ. We worship Thy passion, O Christ. Show us also Thy glorious resurrection.

Let us pray for our leaders and helpers.

Lord, have mercy!

Let us pray for our loved ones (*include names*).

Let us pray for those who have departed this world with hope and faith in our merciful God, (*include names*).

Lord have mercy.

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, and of all creation visible and invisible, in thine ineffable goodness, look down upon us, thy people gathered in thy Holy Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. Thou knowest our weakness. Thou hearest our cry in repentance and contrition of heart. O Lord who lovest mankind, deliver us from the impending threat of the Corona Virus. Send thine angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of doctors and nurses, carers and researchers, and preserve those who are healthy. Enable us to continue to serve our suffering brothers and sisters in peace that together we may glorify thy most honorable and majestic name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers and mothers, O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.