



Rosa Veritas

Agapé for Good Friday

Friday, 2 April, 2021

INVOCATION



JESUS THE JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

Jesus the joy of loving hearts,
The fount of life, and light of souls,
From the best bliss that earth imparts
We turn unfilled to you again.

Your truth unchanged has ever stood;
Thou answer those that on you call;
To those yet seeking you are good,
To those that find you, all-in-all.

We taste of you, the living bread,
And long to feast upon you still;
We drink of you, the fountain-head,
Our thirsty souls from you to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for you,
Where'er our changing lot is cast;
Glad when your gracious smile we view,
Blessed when our faith can hold you fast.

Christ Jesus, ever with us stay;
Make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase the dark night of sin away;
Shed o'er the world your holy light.



SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 53: 1-12



MEDITATION



THE INTROIT

Priest: Our bodies are the substance
of your being, O Lord.

All: Deepen in us your spirit, O Christ.

Priest: Our life-spirit is the work of your
hands, O Lord.

All: Deepen in us your spirit, O Christ.

Priest: Our emotions and feelings
are your essence, O Lord.

All: Deepen in us your spirit, O Christ.

Priest: Glorify us with the glory we had
when we dwelt with you.

**All: And magnify your spirit in us,
O Christ.**



THE ABSOLUTION



SCRIPTURE READING

John 19: 17-42



WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

continued ...

See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His dying crimson like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body on the tree,
Then I am dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.



THE ADDRESS



MEDITATION



THE LITANY

Priest: The light shone in the darkness,
and the darkness rejected the light.

All: For such is the nature of darkness.

Priest: The incarnate trod the ways of men;
but men rejected the incarnate one.

All: For such is the nature of the world.

Priest: He spoke words of truth;
his words were like fire
which burns and illuminates.

**All: But men fear truth,
or do not understand it.**

Priest: Truth penetrates the dark places
and changes the shape
of familiar things.

**All: Men cling to the familiar things,
thinking they are the real things.**

Priest: Therefore they persecute the prophets
and slay those
whose words are strange.

**All: How can the light
conquer the darkness?
How can truth triumph over illusion?**

Priest: Truth must be denied
that men may find truth.
Wisdom must be crucified
that men may become wise.

**All: We thank you for your incarnation,
O Lord.
We thank you for your light.
Help us to change
through means of truth.
Help us to triumph over illusion.
Help us to accept denial and crucifixion
for truth's sake.**

Priest: This is the hour



PREPARATION FOR THE CONSECRATION



THE CONSECRATION

*Please follow the actions of the celebrant during
the act of consecration, and join with the
celebrant in saying the main words of
consecration over the bread and wine:*

**Bread: This is my life which is given to you
in love and service.**

The bread is broken.

**And we sacrifice our lower nature
that our higher Christ self
may be revealed.**

**Wine: This is my spirit
dedicated to the divine will of God.**

**And as often as we eat of this bread
and drink of this wine,
we are reminded of the life
and spirit of Christ within us.**



THE PRAYER

Said together

O loving Christ,
present in these holy mysteries,
I give myself to you,
for joy and for sorrow,
for sickness and for health,
for success and failure,
in time and in eternity.

I offer to you my body, my mind and my spirit,
to be a holy sacrifice.
Take me and make me
an instrument of your will.
So shall it be.



LET US SO EAT OF THE BREAD

*Let us so eat of the bread
And drink of the wine
That we may remember the Christ.*

May we stand with you in this universe
And be found worthy co-creators with you.
Make us so to eat
That your truth
Becomes known unto us.

May we be able to bless and give healing
To those souls who are in need.
Make us so to drink
That we shall be
Full of your spirit.



THE COMMUNION & FELLOWSHIP



PRAYERS



THE LOVE CHANT

O love that knoweth of no fear,
O love that sheds a joyous tear,
O love that makes me whole and free,
Such love shall keep and hallow me.



FROM THE HEART OF CHRIST IS FLOWING

From the heart of Christ is flowing
Heaven's peace and love to me;
Ever deeper, richer growing
Through the cross of Calvary.



GREETING OF PEACE

"The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you"



THE BENEDICTION



HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my souls, my saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades
I wander

And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

And when I think that God, his son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come, with shout
of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art:



— Holy Week Calendar —

De Tenebrae *(in Dutch)*

Friday, April 2, 2021

NL 8pm CEST Friday 2 April

so Saturday 3 April ... WA 2am | SA 4.30am | NSW/VIC 5am | NZ 7am

Veneration of Light

Saturday, April 3, 2021

NL 9am CEST | WA 3pm | SA 5.30pm | NSW/VIC 6pm | NZ 8pm

You may like to prepare a personal Paschal candle.

Initiation Service

Sunday, April 4, 2021

NL 1am CEST | WA 7am | SA 8.30am | NSW/VIC 9am | NZ 11am

Helen Baxter will be admitted into the Guild of Initiates during the Easter Sunday Cosmic Mass in Wellington, Aotearoa New Zealand.

You are invited to witness this service.

Easter Sunday Cosmic Mass

Sunday, April 4, 2021

NL 3am CEST | WA 9am | SA 10.30am | NSW/VIC 11am | NZ 1pm

Paasviering *(in Dutch)*

Sunday, April 4, 2021

NL 11am CEST | WA 5pm | SA 6.30pm | NSW/VIC 7pm | NZ 9pm

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