

### **Thirteenth Station**

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The thirteenth Station of the Cross, Jesus' body is removed from the Cross.

We pray for all those whose bodies after death are left without the loving concern and attention of relatives and friends.

We pray for all those who cradle the body of one whom they loved before surrendering it from their touch.

We pray for all those who surround those who mourn with their loving presence and acts of practical kindness. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

*On move to next Station, sing:*

**O Jesus Crucified,  
For us you suffered, for us you died,  
On the cross.**

### **Fourteenth Station**

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The fourteenth Station of the Cross, Jesus is placed in the tomb.

We pray for all those whose death is unmarked by the authorities, reduced to the ranks of those "disappeared" without trace.

We pray for all those who, like Joseph of Arimathea, provide a fitting burial or commitment to the elements for those who have suffered death at the hands of oppressors.

We pray for all those who are facing the inky blackness of entombment, that they may share the faith of Jesus in the power of His Heavenly Father to vanquish even Death. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

*On conclusion, sing:*

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## *Stations of the Cross*



## First Station

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The first Station of the Cross, Jesus is condemned to death.

We pray for all those subjected to unfair trials, to show trials, to perversions of justice.

We pray for all those condemned unjustly by those with political power.

We pray for all those whose lives have been blighted by corrupt police and prosecution processes. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

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## Second Station

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The second Station of the Cross, Jesus takes up the cross.

We pray for all those who have had intolerable burdens placed on their shoulders by the authorities.

We pray for all those bowed down by the weight of troubles loaded on to already stressed lives.

We pray for all those weighed down by undue punishment unjustly inflicted. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
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## Eleventh Station

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The eleventh Station of the Cross, Jesus is nailed to the Cross.

We pray for all those subject to the most extreme torture and cruel and inhumane practices.

We pray for all those whose hearts and minds have been coarsened and made hard by their inflicting of such atrocities.

We pray especially for all those whose torture and mode of death is a graphic witness to the torture and mode of death of Jesus. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
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## Twelfth Station

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The twelfth Station of the Cross, Jesus dies on the Cross.

We pray for all those who yield up their spirit knowing that they have remained faithful to God through every trial and tribulation.

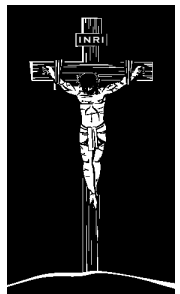
We pray for all those whose death is a true martyrdom, witnessing to their faith in the One who died on the Cross.

We pray for ourselves, that our deaths may be united to that of Jesus, so that we may share in his victory over death. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

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### ***Ninth Station***

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The ninth Station of the Cross, Jesus falls the third time.

We pray for all those who fall in sight of the goal which is their life's mission.

We pray for all those whose point of exhaustion after torture and abuse brings them to their knees.

We pray for all those who make a last supreme effort to get up, their feet still treading the path laid out for them. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

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### ***Tenth Station***

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The tenth Station of the Cross, Jesus is stripped of his garments.

We pray for those stripped of the possessions necessary for human dignity.

We pray for those stripped of their clothing, and left naked before the eyes of oppressors and exploiters.

We pray for those whose necessities of life become the subject of barter and trade amongst those who dispossessed them. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
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### ***Third Station***

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The third Station of the Cross, Jesus falls for the first time.

We pray for all those who stumble and fall on their journey through life.

We pray for all those ground into the earth by powerful elites, political and economic.

We pray for those who nevertheless struggle to get up and carry on their vocation in life. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

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### ***Fourth Station***

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The fourth Station of the Cross, Jesus meets his mother.

We pray for all mothers whose hearts have been stabbed seeing their child tortured or abused by those in authority.

We pray for all children who see the anguish of their mothers but can do nothing to help at that time.

We pray for all mothers whose sons and daughters are killed by powerful elites, political and economic. *(long pause)*

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### **Fifth Station**

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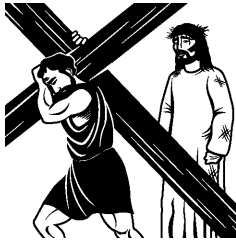
Priest: The fifth Station of the Cross, Simon of Cyrene carries the Cross.  
We pray for all those coerced into cooperating with the forces of evil.  
We pray for all those who are forced to bear the unjust burdens of others and to make them their own.

We pray for all those who generously accept such burdens and assist others on the journey of their vocation in life. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
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### **Sixth Station**

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

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Priest: The sixth Station of the Cross, Veronica wipes the face of Jesus.  
We pray for all those whose gestures of kindness remind the downtrodden of their human dignity.  
We pray for all those who try to alleviate the suffering of those unjustly persecuted.  
We pray for all those who place themselves in danger by acts of solidarity and practical concern for the oppressed. *(long pause)*

**All: Lord Jesus, you understand well.  
May our prayer be joined to yours. Amen.**

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### **Seventh Station**

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**All: Because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Priest: The seventh Station of the Cross, Jesus falls for the second time.  
We pray for all those for whom the road of pain, physical and psychic, seems unending.  
We pray for all those whose best and courageous efforts nevertheless don't prevent the exhausted fall.

We pray for all those seeking the strength to get up and walk towards the goal of their vocation. *(long pause)*

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### **Eighth Station**

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

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Priest: The eighth Station of the Cross, Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem.  
We pray for those women who have lost those they love, killed in warfare, rebellions and armed conflict of every kind.  
We pray for those women who have suffered sexual abuse in war and persecution, especially sexual slavery.  
We pray for those women labouring and in extreme difficulty because they are left to fend for themselves as a result of warfare or persecution. *(long pause)*

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