

CCCQF ONLINE GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE APRIL 10, 2020

**Priest** Blessed be our God.  
**People** For ever and ever. Amen.

Let us pray, saying together

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**FIRST READING ISAIAH 52:13-53:12**

God said, <sup>13-15</sup> "Just watch my servant blossom! Exalted, tall, head and shoulders above the crowd! But he didn't begin that way. At first everyone was appalled. He didn't even look human— a ruined face, disfigured past recognition. Nations all over the world will be in awe, taken aback, kings shocked into silence when they see him. For what was unheard of they'll see with their own eyes, what was unthinkable they'll have right before them."

**53** Who believes what we've heard and seen?

Who would have thought GOD's saving power would look like this?

<sup>2-6</sup>The servant grew up before God—a scrawny seedling, a scrubby plant in a parched field. There was nothing attractive about him, nothing to cause us to take a second look. He was looked down on and passed over, a man who suffered, who knew pain firsthand. One look at him and people turned away. We looked down on him, thought he was scum. But the fact is, it was *our* pains he carried— *our* disfigurements, all the things wrong with *us*. We thought he brought it on himself, that God was punishing him for his own failures. But it was our sins that did that to him, that ripped and tore and crushed him—*our sins!* He took the punishment, and that made us whole. Through his bruises we get healed.

We're all like sheep who've wandered off and gotten lost.

We've all done our own thing, gone our own way.

And GOD has piled all our sins, everything we've done wrong, on him, on him.<sup>9</sup> He was beaten, he was tortured, but he didn't say a word. Like a lamb taken to be slaughtered and like a sheep being sheared, he took it all in silence. Justice miscarried, and he was led off— and did anyone really know what was happening?

He died without a thought for his own welfare, beaten bloody for the sins of my people.

They buried him with the wicked, threw him in a grave with a rich man, Even though he'd never hurt a soul or said one word that wasn't true.

<sup>10</sup> Still, it's what GOD had in mind all along, to crush him with pain.

The plan was that he give himself as an offering for sin  
so that he'd see life come from it—life, life, and more life.

And GOD's plan will deeply prosper through him.

<sup>11-12</sup> Out of that terrible travail of soul, he'll see that it's worth it and be glad he did it.

Through what he experienced, my righteous one, my servant, He will make many "righteous ones,"  
as he himself carries the burden of their sins.

Therefore I'll reward him extravagantly— the best of everything, the highest honors—  
Because he looked death in the face and didn't flinch, because he embraced the company of the lowest.

He took on his own shoulders the sin of the many,

he took up the cause of all the black sheep.

THE WORD OF THE LORD. *People: Thanks be to God*

### **THE PASSION GOSPEL—Read by Will Sarris**

### **THE SERMON: The Rev. John Donnelly**

### **THE SOLEMN COLLECTS**

Priest: Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into  
the world, to condemn the world, but that the world  
through him might be saved; that all who believe in him  
might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and  
become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere not according to their  
needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ  
throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service

For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve

For Ian & Laura, our Bishops, and all the people of this diocese

For all Christians in this community

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love,  
and preserve it in peace.

**EVERYONE:** Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole  
body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified:

Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before  
you for all members of your holy Church, that in their  
vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you;  
through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

For N., the President of the United States, For the Congress and the Supreme Court  
 For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations  
 For all who serve the common good,

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

*Silence*

**EVERYONE:** Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;  
 For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed  
 For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled  
 For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish  
 For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair  
 For the sorrowful and bereaved  
 For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger  
 That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

**EVERYONE:** Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;  
 For those who have never heard the word of salvation  
 For those who have lost their faith  
 For those hardened by sin or indifference  
 For the contemptuous and the scornful  
 For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples  
 For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others

That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

*Silence*

**EVERYONE:** O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ANTHEMS** (*Congregation takes lines in italic print*)

We glory in your cross, O Lord,  
*and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross, joy has come to the whole world.*

May God be merciful to us and bless us show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

*Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.*

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

*We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.*

## **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*