

Daily Prayers for the week of Holy Week – 03/28/2021

OPENING VERSICLES:

O Lord, open my lips, **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**
Make haste, O God, to deliver me; **make haste to help me, O Lord.**
The *Gloria Patri* ("Glory be to the Father ...") is omitted until Easter Vigil

PSALMODY: Psalm 51 and / or the psalms listed below

Sun: 84; 42, 32; Mon: 119:73-80; 121, 6; Tues: 34; 25, 91; Wed: 5; 27, 51;
Thurs: 38; 126, 102; Fri: 22; 107, 130; Sat: 43; 31, 143

HOLY WEEK HYMN: 438 – A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth Hymn: 441

CATECHISM:

What is the Second Article?

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 27:15-31 ESV

¹⁵ Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. ¹⁶ And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. ¹⁷ So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ? ¹⁸ For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. ¹⁹ Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream. ²⁰ Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. ²¹ The governor again said to them, Which of the two do you want me to release for you? And they said, Barabbas. ²² Pilate said to them, Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ? They all said, Let him be crucified! ²³ And he said, Why, what evil has he done? But they shouted all the more, Let him be crucified! ²⁴ So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves. ²⁵ And all the people answered, His blood be on us and on our children! ²⁶ Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified. ²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. ²⁸ And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

³⁰ And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. ³¹ And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

RESPONSE: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to God.

CATECHESIS:

One of the unique features of Saint Matthew's Passion is the prophecy that proceeds out of the mouth of the people at the end of the trial before Pilate: "His blood be on us and on our children!" Without realizing it, those who called for Jesus' death spoke the truth of the Gospel: Unless His blood covers us and all of our sins, we cannot be saved. Thanks be to God that our Lord has suffered and died on the cross! And by doing so, His Blood and forgiveness are upon us and on our children.

APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

KYRIE: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE WEEK:

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast sent Thy Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility, mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of His patience and also be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER:

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(p. 327 in the hymnal or in Section 2 Daily Prayers in the Catechism)

BENEDICAMUS:

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Maundy Thursday – 04/01/2021:

Ex 24:3-11; Jn 13:1-15, 34-35;

Hymn: 617

Good Friday – 04/02/2021:

Isa 52:13-53:12; Jn 18:1-19:42;

Hymn: 438

Easter Sunrise – 04/04/2021:

Isa 25:6-9; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Jn 20:1-18;

Hymn: 467

Easter Day – 04/04/2021:

Job 19:23-27; 1 Cor 5:6-8; Mk 16:1-8;

Hymn: 458