

Saint Cecilia

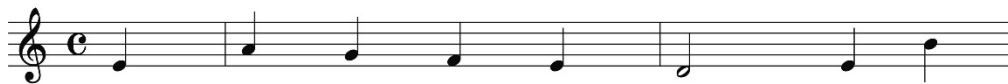
P A R I S H

GOOD FRIDAY

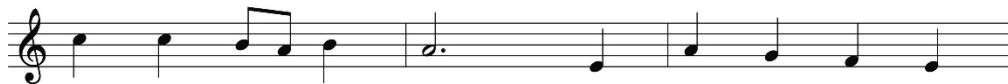
The Way of the Cross Toward Justice and Peace

OPENING SONG | O God of Every Nation

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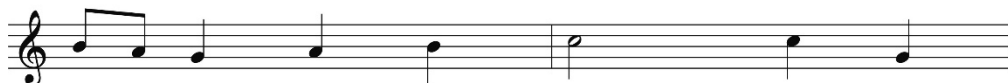
1. O God of ev - 'ry na - tion, Of
2. From search for wealth and pow - er And
3. Lord, strength - en those who la - bor That
4. Keep bright in us the vi - sion Of



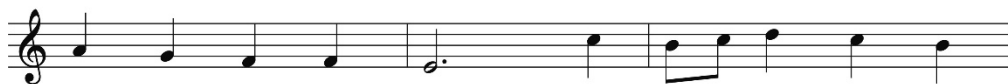
ev - 'ry race and land, Re - deem the whole cre -
scorn of truth and right, From trust in bombs that
all may find re - lease From fear of rat - tling
days when wars shall cease, When ha - tred and di -



a - tion With your al - might - y hand. Where
show - er De - struc - tion through the night, From
sa - ber, From dread of war's in - crease, When
vi - sion Give way to love and peace, Till



hate and fear di - vide us And
pride of race and sta - tion And
hope and cour - age fal - ter, Lord,
dawns the morn - ing glo - rious When



bit - ter threats are hurled, In love and mer - cy
blind - ness to your way, De - liv - er ev - 'ry
let your voice be heard; With faith that none can
truth and jus - tice reign, And Christ shall rule vic -



guide us And heal our strife - torn world.
na - tion, E - ter - nal God, we pray.
al - ter, Your ser - vants un - der - gird.
to - rious O'er all the world's do - main.

INTRODUCTION AND OPENING PRAYER

FIRST STATION

Jesus is condemned to death



As we move to the first station, all join in singing:

At the cross her sta-tion keep-ing, Mar-y stood in sor-row, weep-ing, When her Son was cru-ci-fied.

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you.

All: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

READING

CONTEMPLATION

PRAYER

All join in singing:

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion
un-til you come a-gain.

Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the second station, all join in singing:

**While she waited in her anguish,
Seeing Christ in torment languish,
Bitter sorrow pierced her heart.**

SECOND STATION

Jesus takes up his cross



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**With what pain and desolation,
With what noble resignation,
Mary watched her dying Son.**

THIRD STATION

Jesus falls for the first time



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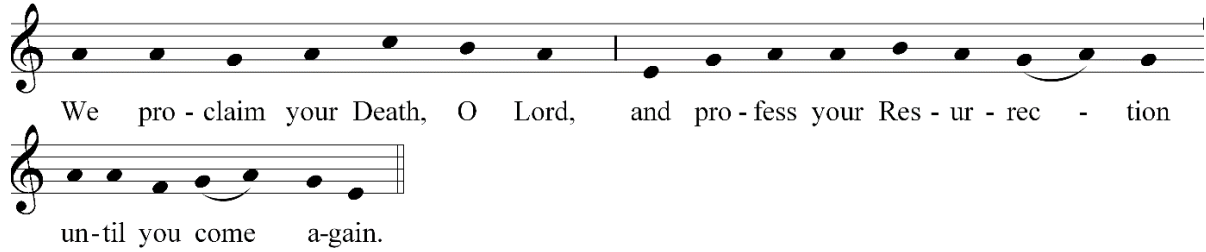
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PRAYER

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**Ever patient in her yearning,
Though her tear-filled eyes were burning,
Mary gazed upon her Son.**

FOURTH STATION

Jesus meets his mother



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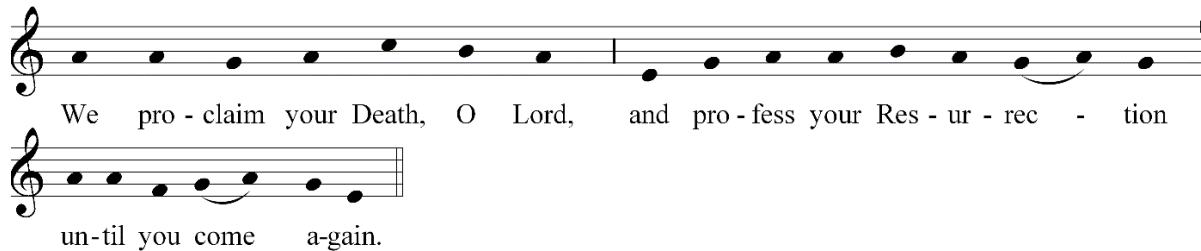
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PRAYER

All join in singing:



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**Who, that sorrow contemplating,
On that passion meditating,
Would not share the Virgin's grief?**

FIFTH STATION

Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry the cross



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PRAYER

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un - til you come a - gain.

Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the sixth station, all join in singing:

**Christ she saw, for our salvation,
Scourged with cruel acclamation,
Bruised and beaten
by the rod.**

SIXTH STATION

Veronica wipes the face of Jesus



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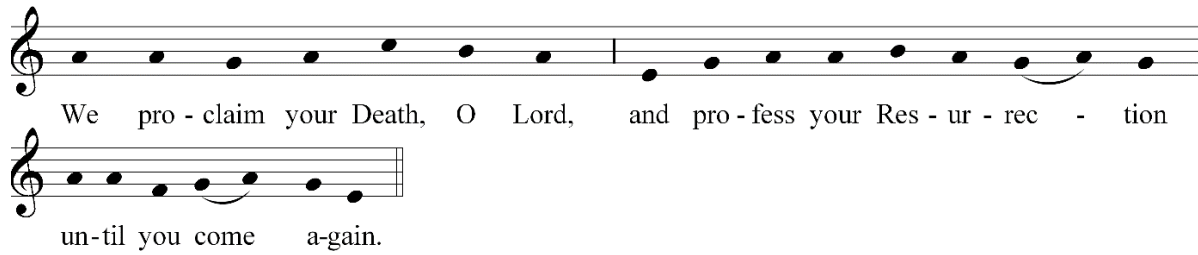
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**Christ she saw with life-blood failing,
All her anguish unavailing,
Saw him breathe his very last.**

SEVENTH STATION

Jesus falls for the second time



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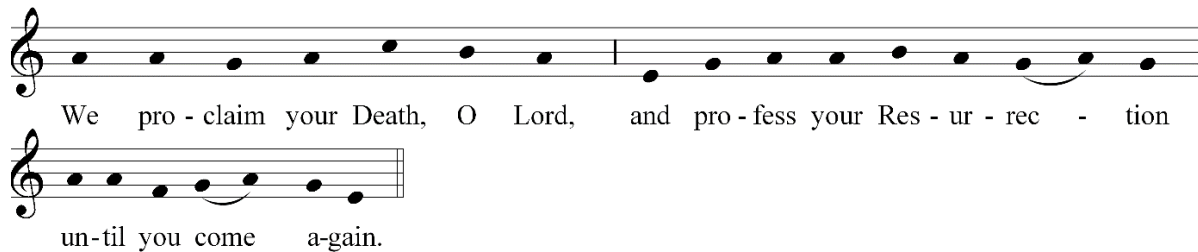
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PRAYER

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**Mary, fount of love's devotion,
Let me share with true emotion
All the sorrow you endured.**

EIGHTH STATION

Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem



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**Virgin, ever interceding,
Hear me in my fervent pleading:
Fire me with your love of Christ.**

NINTH STATION

Jesus falls for the third time



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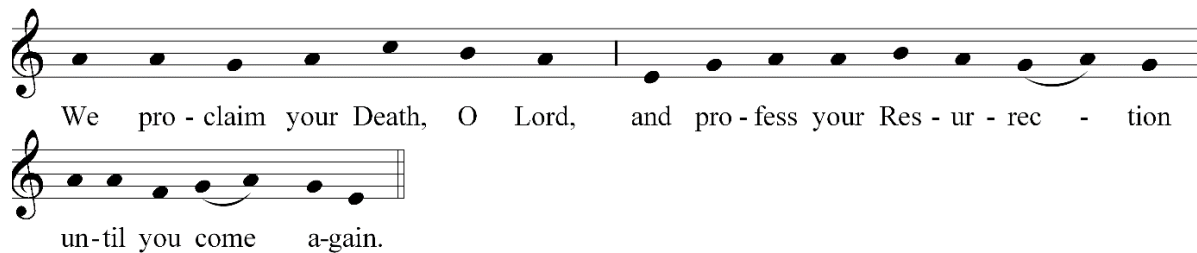
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CONTEMPLATION

PRAYER

All join in singing:



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Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the tenth station, all join in singing:

**Mother, may this prayer be granted:
That Christ's love may be implanted in the depths of
my poor soul.**

TENTH STATION

Jesus is stripped of his garments



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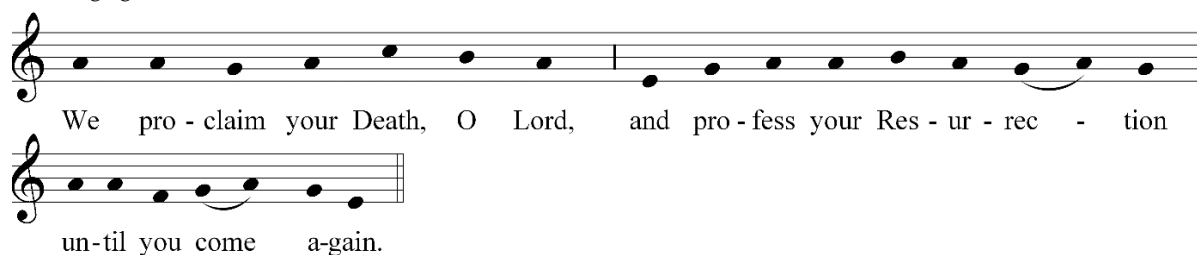
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CONTEMPLATION

PRAYER

All join in singing:



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un-til you come a-gain.

Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the eleventh station, all join in singing:

**At the cross, your sorrow sharing,
All your grief and torment bearing,
Let me stand and mourn with you.**

ELEVENTH STATION

Jesus is crucified



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CONTEMPLATION

PRAYER

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Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the twelfth station, all join in singing:

**Fairest maid of all creation,
Queen of hope and consolation,
Let me feel your grief sublime.**

TWELFTH STATION

Jesus dies on the cross



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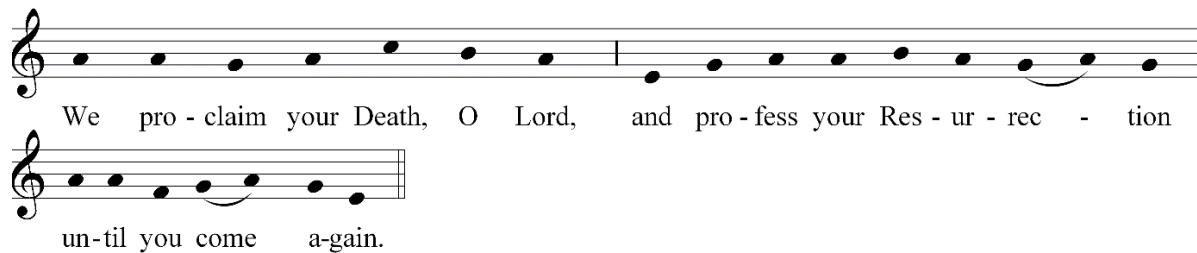
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PRAYER

All join in singing:



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Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the thirteenth station, all join in singing:

**Virgin, in your love befriend me,
At the judgment day defend me.
Help me by your constant prayer.**

THIRTEENTH STATION

Jesus is taken down from the cross



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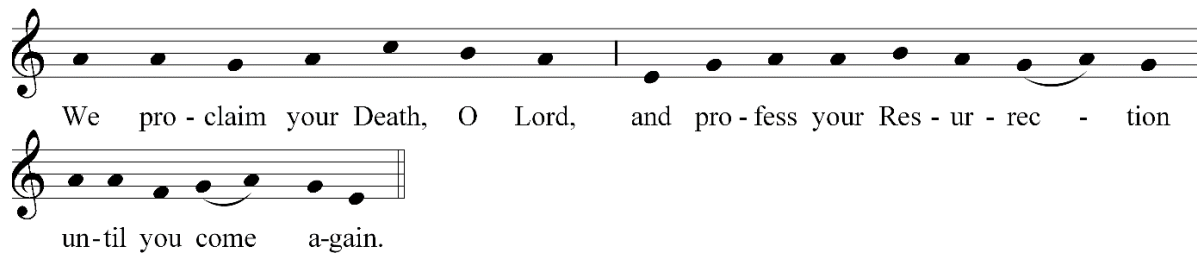
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PRAYER

All join in singing:



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Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows. All stand. As we move to the fourteenth station, all join in singing:

**Savior, when my life shall leave me,
Through your mother's prayers receive me
With the fruits of victory.**

FOURTEENTH STATION

Jesus is laid in the tomb



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PRAYER

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un-til you come a-gain.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The notes are simple quarter and eighth notes with stems, and there are some rests and slurs.

Those who are able are invited to kneel in silence. A prayer follows.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING PRAYER

FINAL BLESSING



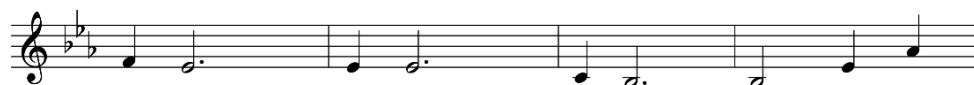
1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 4. Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
 6. Were you there when they rolled the stone a - way?



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 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
 Were you there when they rolled the stone a - way?



Oh! Some-times it caus - es me to



trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble, Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 there when they nailed him to the tree?
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