



**Church of South India, Diocese of Medak**

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

St. John's Road, East Marredpally,  
Secunderabad



# **Good Friday**

## **Order of Service**

**Three Hours Devotion**

(12:00 noon to 3:00 pm)



**NOT TO BE TAKEN AWAY**

*At the end of  
each of the seven sections of the meditation  
the following versicle & response may be said*

*[“Salvator Mundi, salva nos” which translates as follows]*

**Versicle\*** : O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us

**Response** : Save us and help us we humbly beseech you, O Lord

**For your kind attention:**

1. Please leave this “Good Friday – Order of Service” booklet in the pews.
2. If you are not able to stay seated inside the church for the entire service, please leave during the singing of one of the hymns
3. The hymns chosen today pertain to the “Seven words from the Cross”. Please sing in harmony with the Organ play over and the choir.
4. A versicle is a short sentence said or sung by the minister / leader in a worship service, to which the congregation gives response

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## Good Friday - Order of Service

12:00 noon to 3:00 pm

**Organ preludes:** Excerpts from a collection of Lenten music

**Call to worship:**

On this most solemn day we have gathered here for worship. We have come here today to remember our Lord Jesus Christ, who knew no sin yet died a cruel death on the cross for our redemption.

Come, let us worship the Lamb of God

Come, let us pray in the name of our Saviour Christ

Come, let us meditate on our Lord's words from the cross.

**Hymn – Opening: O Come and mourn with me awhile**

*[Tune: St Cross]*

1. O Come and mourn with me awhile;  
See Mary calls us to her side;  
O come and let us mourn with her;  
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.
2. Have we no tears to shed for Him,  
While soldiers scoff and Jews deride?  
Ah! look how patiently He hangs;  
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.
3. Seven times He spoke seven words of love;  
And all three hours His silence cried  
For mercy on the souls of men;  
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.
4. O Love of God! O Son of man!  
In this dread act your strength is tried;  
And victory remains with Love:  
For He, our Love, is crucified.

**Collect for Good Friday:**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hates none that you have made and does forgive the sins of all of them that are penitent, create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you perfect remission and forgiveness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Psalm 32** (*All seated*)

1. Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

**2. Blessed are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

3. While I kept silence, my body wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

**4. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

5. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**6. Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;  
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.**

7. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

**8. I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

Minister O God the Father of heaven, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

**All O God the Father of heaven, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.**

Minister O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

**All O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.**

Minister O God the Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

**All O God the Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.**

Minister O holy blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

**All O holy blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.**

## **1. Meditation on the 1<sup>st</sup> Word from the cross: Forgiveness and Reconciliation**

Scripture Reading : Luke 23: 32 - 38

Hymn on Word-1 : **Forgive them O my Father**

*[Tune: Vulpius]*

1. Forgive them, O my Father,  
They know not what they do.  
The Saviour spoke in anguish,  
As the sharp nails went through.
2. For me was that compassion,  
For me that tender care;  
I need His wide forgiveness  
As much as any there.
3. It was my pride and hardness  
That hung Him on the tree;  
Those cruel nails, O Saviour,  
Were driven in by me.
4. O depth of sweet compassion!  
O love divine and true!  
Save Thou the souls that slight Thee,  
And know not what they do.

Meditation on the 1<sup>st</sup> Word : “Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing”  
Silent Prayer : *followed by the versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take you vengeance of our sins: Spare us good Lord, spare your people whom you have redeemed with your most precious blood; and be not angry with us for ever

**Spare us, good Lord**

From all evil and mischief, from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil, from wrath and from everlasting damnation

**Good Lord, deliver us**

From all blindness of heart, from pride, vain glory and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred and malice, and all un-charitableness.

**Good Lord, deliver us**

From fornication, and all other deadly sin, and all deceits of the world, the flesh and the devil.

**Good Lord, deliver us**

From lightning and tempest, from plague, pestilence, and famine, from battle and murder, and from sudden death.

**Good Lord, deliver us**

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion, from all false doctrine, heresy, and division;  
from hardness of heart, and contempt of your Word and Commandment

**Good Lord, deliver us**

From enmity and revenge, from false patriotism and narrow prejudice, boasting and conceit

**Good Lord, deliver us**

That it may please you to give us nobility of soul, honesty of purpose, and courage of action

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to sustain us in all times of abandonment, our tribulation, and ingratitude  
and enable us to overcome evil with good

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

**2. Meditation on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Word from the cross: Repentance and Promise**

Scripture Reading: Luke 23: 39 - 43

Hymn on Word-2 : **Lord, when Thy Kingdom comes remember me** [*Tune: Old 124<sup>th</sup> / Ellers*]

1. "Lord, when thy kingdom comes, remember me":  
Thus spake the dying lips to dying ears;  
O faith, which in that darkest hour could see  
The promised glory of the far-off years!
2. No kingly sign declares that glory now,  
No ray of hope lights up that awful hour;  
A thorny crown surrounds the bleeding brow,  
The hands are stretched in weakness, not in power.
3. Yet hear the word the dying Saviour saith,  
"Thou too shalt rest in paradise today";  
O words of love to answer words of faith!  
O words of hope for those who live to pray!
4. Lord, when with dying lips my prayer is said,  
Grant that in faith thy kingdom I may see;  
And, thinking on thy Cross and bleeding head,  
May breathe my parting words, "Remember me".
5. Remember me, and, ere I pass away,  
Speak thou th'assuring word that sets us free,  
And make thy promise to my heart, "Today  
Thou too shalt rest in paradise with me"

Meditation on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Word: Truly, I tell you, **today you will be with me in Paradise**  
Silent Prayer : *followed by the Versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

**Psalm 143**

1 Hear my prayer, O LORD;

give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

**2 Enter not into judgment with your servant,  
for no one living is righteous before you.**

3 For the enemy has pursued my soul;

he has crushed my life to the ground;

he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead.

**4 Therefore my spirit faints within me;  
my heart within me is appalled.**

5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done;

I ponder the work of your hands.

**6 I stretch out my hands to you;  
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land. *Selah***

7 Answer me quickly, O LORD! My spirit fails!

Hide not your face from me, lest I be like those who go down to the pit.

**8 Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you I trust.**

**Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.**

9 Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

I have fled to you for refuge.

**10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!**

**Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!**

11 For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

**12 And in your steadfast love you will cut off my enemies,  
and you will destroy all the adversaries of my soul, for I am your servant.**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**Litany:** *(All kneeling or seated in a prayerful posture)*

That it may please you to strengthen such, as to stand, and to comfort and help the weak-hearted and to raise up them that fall, and finally to beat down Satan under our feet

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to turn the hearts of all prisoners and evil-doers

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to give all who make our laws a deep concern for the regeneration of the souls committed to their charge

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to work mightily in the hearts of all wayward children, that they may return unto their Father, and seek their homes in peace

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

### **3. Meditation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Word from the cross: New Relationships and Responsibility**

Scripture Reading : John 19: 23 - 27

Hymn on Word-3 : **At the Cross her station keeping** [Tune: *Stabat Mater*]

1. At the Cross, her station keeping,  
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,  
Where He hung the dying Lord;  
For her soul of joy bereaved,  
Bowed with anguish, deeply grieved,  
Felt the sharp and piercing sword.
2. Oh, how sad and sore distressed  
Now was she, that Mother blessed  
Of the sole begotten One;  
Deep the woe of her affliction,  
When she saw the crucifixion  
Of her ever glorious Son.
3. Who, on Christ's dear mother gazing  
Pierced by anguish so amazing  
Born of woman, would not weep?  
Who on Christ's dear mother thinking  
Such a cup of sorrow drinking  
Would not share her sorrows deep?
4. For His people's sins chastised,  
She beheld her Son despised,



Scourged and crowned with thorns entwined;  
Saw Him then from judgement taken,  
And in death by all forsaken,  
Till His spirit He resigned.

Meditation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Word : **“Woman, here is your Son...here is your Mother”**:  
Silent Prayer : *followed by the versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

That it may please you to defend and provide for the fatherless children and widows and all that are desolate and oppressed

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to give all parents, sympathy and understanding of their children, and to all children love, devotion and reverence to their parents

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to give us dignity, courage and quiet in the hour of bereavement

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to enable us to care for the others even in times of suffering

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you that when all the earthly companionship must fail us, we may rest on your unchanging love in sweet quietness with untroubled heart

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

#### **4. Meditation on the 4<sup>th</sup> Word from the cross: Forsaken but not Abandoned**

Scripture Reading : Mark 15: 35 - 39

Hymn on Word-4 : **Throned upon the awful tree** [Tune: Redhead 76 / Petra]

1. Throned upon the awful tree,  
King of grief, I watch with Thee.  
Darkness veils Thine anguished face:  
None its lines of woe can trace;  
None can tell what pangs unknown  
Hold Thee silent and alone.
2. Silent through those three dread hours,

Wrestling with the evil powers,  
Left alone with human sin,  
Gloom around Thee and within,  
Till the appointed time is nigh,  
Till the Lamb of God may die.

3. Hark, that cry that peals aloud  
Upward thro' the whelming cloud!  
Thou, the Father's only Son,  
Thou, His own Anointed One,  
Thou dost ask Him—can it be?  
“Why hast Thou forsaken me?”
4. Lord, should fear and anguish fall  
Darkly o'er my sinful soul,  
Thou, who once wast thus bereft  
That Thine own might ne'er be left,  
Teach me by that bitter cry  
In the gloom to know Thee nigh.

Message on the 4<sup>th</sup> Word : **“My God, my God why have you forsaken me”**  
Silent Prayer : *followed by the Versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

We pray to you, O God for all your saints and servants who are today despised and rejected of people

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

For all who have lost their spiritual vision and are tempted to fall from high endeavour.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

For all who are overwhelmed in the turmoil of life, and who cannot see your face in the dust of battle

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

For all whose self-sacrifice is rewarded with prejudice, contempt and slander.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

For all who suffer for righteousness sake, for the sake of the Gospel, especially in countries where there is no religious freedom



- 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words  
and blameless in your judgment.**
- 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.**
- 6 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.**
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**
- 8 Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.**
- 9 Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.**
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**
- 11 Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**
- 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

That it may please you to give to all who know you not, a thirst for living water, and that they may not rest until they find it

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to deepen in us the sense of our responsibility for giving to all people this living water

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you that you will keep alive in the hearts of people a hunger and thirst after righteous, without which no one can see the Lord

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you that we may thankfully and graciously accept the service of all people, and that in service they may find salvation.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

**6. Meditation on the 6<sup>th</sup> Word from the cross: Accomplished and Ongoing**

Scripture Reading : John 19: 30 - 40

Hymn on Word-6 : **O Perfect life of love** [Tune: Southwell]

1. O perfect life of love!  
All, all, is finished now,  
All that he left his throne above  
To do for us below.
2. No work is left undone  
Of all the Father willed;  
His toil, his sorrows, one by one,  
The Scriptures have fulfilled.
3. No pain that we can share  
But he has felt its smart;  
All forms of human grief and care  
Have pierced that tender heart.
4. And on his thorn-crowned head  
And on his sinless soul  
Our sins in all their guilt were laid  
That he might make us whole.
5. In perfect love he dies;  
For me he dies, for me.  
O all atoning Sacrifice,  
I cling by faith to thee.
6. In every time of need,  
Before the judgment throne,  
Thy work, O Lamb of God, I'll plead,  
Thy merits, not mine own.
7. Yet work, O Lord, in me  
As thou for me hast wrought;  
And let my love the answer be  
To grace thy love has brought.

Meditation on the sixth Word : **“It is finished”**

Silent Prayer : *followed by the Versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

**Litany:** *(All kneel or be seated in a prayerful posture)*

That it may please you to enable us to use pain and suffering aright, now as signs of your displeasure, but as means whereby we may imitate the firm resolve of Christ

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to give us love in all our earthly relations, love of our fellow being, of art and beauty, and all things of your creation

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to use us greatly in the work you have given us, freeing us from all timidity, reserve and self-depreciation, and from all fear of the unknown.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

That it may please you to make us responsive to the voice that we may labour truly in your vineyard and bring forth fruits worthy of your trust in us.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord**

## **7. Meditation on the 7th Word from the cross: Commitment and Rededication**

Scripture Reading: Luke 23: 44 - 49

Hymn on Word-7 : **And now beloved Lord, Thy soul resigning**

*[Tune: Strength and Stay / O perfect love]*

1. And now, beloved Lord, thy soul resigning,  
Into thy Father's arms with conscious will,  
Calmly, with reverend grace, thy head inclining,  
The throbbing brow and labouring breast grow still.
2. Freely thy life thou yieldest, meekly bending  
E'en to the last beneath our sorrows' load,  
Yet strong in death, in perfect peace commending,  
Thy Spirit to thy Father and thy God.
3. My Saviour, in mine hour of mortal anguish,  
When earth grows dim, and round me falls the night,  
O breathe thy peace, as flesh and spirit languish,  
At that dread eventide let there be light.

4. To thy dear cross turn thou my eyes in dying;  
Lay but my fainting head upon thy breast;  
Those outstretched arms receive my latest sighing;  
And then, oh! then, thine everlasting rest.
  
5. O love! O'er mortal agony victorious,  
Now is thy triumph! Now that cross shall shine  
To earth's remotest age revered and glorious,  
Of suffering's deepest mystery the sign.
  
6. The present, past and future here are blending,  
Moment supreme in this world's history,  
Mid darkness, opening graves, and mountains rending,  
New light is dawning on humanity.

Message on Word-7 : **“Father into your hands I commend my Spirit”**

Silent Prayer : *followed by the Versicle and response*

*O Saviour of the world who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
Save us and help us we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord*

*When I survey the wondrous Cross*

**Exhortation** (All seated)

**Minister:** Dearly beloved, next Sunday I propose through God's assistance, to administer the Holy Sacrament of the body and blood of Christ to all who are religious and devout. Through this we obtain remission of our sins and are made partakers of the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, it is our duty to offer our most humble and hearty thanks to the Almighty God, our heavenly Father, because He has given His Son to be our spiritual food in the Holy Sacrament. This is divine and comfortable, if we receive it worthily, but dangerous if we presume to receive it unworthily. It is my duty to exhort you to examine your own consciences that you may come holy and clean to such a heavenly feast and be accepted as worthy partakers at the Holy Table.

This is the way and means: First examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's Commandments. Regret your own sinfulness and confess yourselves to Almighty God fully determined to change your lives. And, if your offences are against your neighbours, then reconcile yourselves to them and forgive others who have offended you. Only then you will receive God's forgiveness. Repent truly of your sins, having a steadfast faith in Christ, our Saviour.

It is a requisite that one should come to the Holy Communion with full trust in God's mercy and with a quiet conscience. If not, seek counsel and receive the benefit of absolution and seek advice to calm your conscience.

**Announcements:**

**Offertory Hymn-1 : All for Jesus, all for Jesus** [Tune: Oxford (from Stainer's Crucifixion)]

1. All for Jesus! All for Jesus!  
This our song shall ever be;  
For we have no hope nor Saviour  
If we have not hope in thee.
2. All for Jesus! Thou wilt give us  
Strength to serve thee hour by hour;  
None can move us from thy presence  
While we trust thy grace and power.
3. All for Jesus! At thine altar  
Thou dost give us sweet content;  
There, dear Saviour, we receive thee  
In thy holy sacrament.
4. All for Jesus! Thou hast loved us,  
All for Jesus! Thou hast died,  
All for Jesus! Thou art with us,  
All for Jesus, glorified!
5. All for Jesus! All for Jesus!  
This the Church's song shall be,  
Till at last we all are gathered  
One in love, and one in thee.

**Offertory Hymn-2 : Glory be to Jesus**     *[Tune: North Coates or Caswall]*

1. Glory be to Jesus,  
Who in bitter pains  
Poured for me the life-blood  
From His sacred veins.
2. Grace and life eternal  
In that blood I find;  
Blest be His compassion,  
Infinitely kind.
3. Blest through endless ages  
Be the precious stream,  
Which from endless torment  
Doth the world redeem.
4. Abel's blood for vengeance  
Pleaded to the skies;  
But the blood of Jesus  
For our pardon cries.
5. Oft as it is sprinkled  
On our guilty hearts,  
Satan, in confusion  
Terror – struck departs.
6. Oft as earth exulting



Wafts its praise on high,  
Hell with terror trembles,  
Heaven is filled with joy.

7. Lift ye then your voices;  
Swell the mighty flood;  
Louder still and louder  
Praise the precious Blood.

**Closing Prayer, Benediction & three-fold Amen**

**Clergy leave the sanctuary in procession** as the Organ plays “March of the Priests” by Mozart  
*or any other soft voluntary*

**Organ Postlude:** Procession to Calvary – *from Stainer’s Crucifixion*

## **Appendix to Order of Good Friday Service**

[Some additional hymns and also the traditional “Story of the Cross” are appended here for inclusion into the service, as necessary]

### **Additional Hymn - 1            There is a green hill far away**

1.    There is a green hill far away,  
      Without a city wall,  
      Where the dear Lord was crucified,  
      Who died to save us all.
2.    We may not know, we cannot tell,  
      What pains He had to bear,  
      But we believe it was for us  
      He hung and suffered there.
3.    He died that we might be forgiven,  
      He died to make us good:  
      That we might go at last to heaven,  
      Saved by His precious Blood.
4.    There was no other good enough  
      To pay the price of sin,  
      He only could unlock the gate  
      of heaven, and let us in.
5.    O, dearly, dearly has He Loved!  
      And we must Love Him too,  
      And trust in His redeeming blood.  
      And try His works to do.

### **Additional Hymn - 2    O Sacred head, sore wounded**

1.    O Sacred head, sore wounded,  
      Defiled and put to scorn;  
      O kingly head, surrounded  
      With mocking crown of thorn;  
      What sorrow mars your grandeur?  
      Can death your bloom deflower?  
      O countenance whose splendour  
      The hosts of heaven adore.
2.    Thy beauty, long-desired,  
      Hath vanished from our sight;  
      Thy power is all expir'ed,  
      And quenched the light of light  
      Ah me! For whom you've diest,  
      Hide not so far your grace;  
      Show me, O Love most highest,  
      The brightness of your face.

3. In your most bitter passion,  
My heart to share doth cry,  
With you for my salvation  
Upon the Cross to die.  
Ah! Keep my heart thus mov'ed  
To stand Thy cross beneath,  
To mourn you, well-belov'd,  
Yet thank you for your death

**Additional Hymn - 3 When I survey the wondrous cross**

1. 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.
2. 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?
3. His dying crimson like a robe,  
Spreads o'er His body on the tree;  
Then am I dead to all the globe,  
And all the globe is dead to me.
5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

**Additional Hymn - 4 Lord Jesus think on me**

1. Lord Jesus, think on me  
And purge away my sin;  
From earth-born passions set me free  
And make me pure within.
2. Lord Jesus, think on me  
With many a care opprest;  
Let me Thy loving servant be  
And taste Thy promised rest.
3. Lord Jesus, think on me  
Amid the battle's strife;  
In all my pain and misery  
Be Thou my Health and Life.
4. Lord Jesus, think on me  
Nor let me go astray;  
Through darkness and perplexity  
Point Thou the heavenly way.

5. Lord Jesus, think on me  
When floods the tempest high;  
When on doth rush the enemy,  
O Savior, be Thou nigh!
6. Lord Jesus, think on me  
That, when the flood is past,  
I may the eternal brightness see  
And share Thy joy at last.
7. Lord Jesus, think on me  
That I may sing above  
To Father, Spirit, and to Thee  
The strains of praise and love.

**Additional Hymn - 5 When our heads are bowed with woe** *[Tune: Redhead 47]*

1. When our heads are bowed with woe,  
When our bitter tears o'er flow,  
When we mourn the lost, the dear,  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.
2. Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn,  
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne,  
Thou hast shed the human tear;  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.
3. When the sullen death-bell tolls  
For our own departed souls,  
When our final doom is near,  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.
4. Thou hast bowed the dying head,  
Thou the blood of life hast shed,  
Thou hast filled a mortal bier,  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.
5. When the heart is sad within  
With the thought of all its sin,  
When the spirit shrinks with fear,  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.
6. Thou the shame, the grief, hast known,  
Though the sins were not thine own;  
Thou hast deigned their load to bear;  
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

## The Story of the Cross

[Words by Rev Edward Monro (1864) Music by Alfred Redhead]

### I. THE QUESTION

*(Listen to the Organ playover then sing verse-1)*

1 In His own raiment clad,  
With His blood dyed;  
Women walk sorrowing  
By His side.

3 See! they are travelling  
On the same road;  
Simon is sharing with  
Him the load.

2 Heavy that cross to Him,  
Weary the weight;  
One who will help Him waits  
At the gate.

4 Oh, whither wandering  
Bear they that tree?  
He that first carries it  
Who is He?

### II - THE ANSWER

*(Listen to the Organ playover then sing verse-5)*

5 Follow to Calvary;  
Tread where He trod,  
He Who forever was  
Son of God.

7 As the swift moments fly  
Through the blest week,  
Read the great story the  
Cross will teach.

6 You who would love Him stand  
Gaze at His face:  
Tarry awhile on your  
Earthly race.

8 Is there no beauty to  
You who pass by,  
In that lone figure which  
Marks that sky?

### III - THE STORY OF THE CROSS *(Listen to the Organ playover then sing verse-9)*

9 On the cross lifted  
Thy face we scan,  
Bearing that cross for us,  
Son of Man.

14 Loud is Thy bitter cry;  
Sunk on Thy breast  
Hangeth Thy bleeding head  
Without rest.

10 Thorns form Thy diadem,  
Rough wood Thy throne;  
For us Thy blood is shed,  
Us alone.

15 Loud scoffs the dying thief,  
Who mocks at Thee:  
Can it, my Saviour, be  
All for me?

11 No pillow under Thee  
To rest Thy head;  
Only the splintered cross  
Is Thy bed.

16 Gazing, afar from Thee,  
Silent and lone,  
Stand those few weepers Thou  
Callest Thine own.

12 Nails pierced Thy hands and feet,  
Thy side the spear;  
No voice is nigh to say  
Help is near.

17 I see Thy title, Lord,  
Inscribed above;  
"Jesus of Nazareth,"  
King of Love.

13 Shadows of midnight fall,  
Though it is day:  
Thy friends and kinfolk stand  
Far away.

18 What, O my Saviour,  
Here didst Thou see,  
Which made Thee suffer and  
Die for me?

**IV THE APPEAL FROM THE CROSS** (*Listen to the Organ playover then sing verse-19*)  
(Traditionally sung by the Priest as a solo)

19 Child of My grief and pain,  
Watched by My love;  
I came to call thee to  
Realms above.

21 For thee My blood I shed,  
For thee alone;  
I came to purchase thee,  
For Mine own.

20 I saw thee wandering  
Far off from Me:  
In love I seek for thee;  
Do not flee.

22 Weep thou not for My grief,  
Child of My love;  
Strive to be with Me in  
Heaven above.

**V - OUR CRY TO JESUS**

(*Listen to the Organ play-over then sing verse-23*)

23 Oh, I will follow Thee,  
Star of my soul,  
Through the deep shades of life  
To the goal.  
Yea, let Thy cross be borne  
Each day be me;  
Mind not how heavy, if  
But with Thee.

25 Lord, if Thou only wilt,  
Make us Thine own,  
Give no companion, save  
Thee alone.  
Grant through each day of life  
To stand by Thee;  
With Thee, when morning breaks  
Ever to be. Amen.