

The Fifteenth Station: Jesus is Risen from the Dead

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week,
the doors being locked where the disciples were,
Jesus came and stood among them and said to them,
“Peace be with you.”

When he had said this,

he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again,

“Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me,

even so I am sending you.” *(John 20:19-21)*

III.

Here, as Jesus is risen from the dead,
we stand alongside all those whose broken lives
are emerging into a new life of dignity and freedom *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest who has passed through the heavens,

All: have mercy on us.

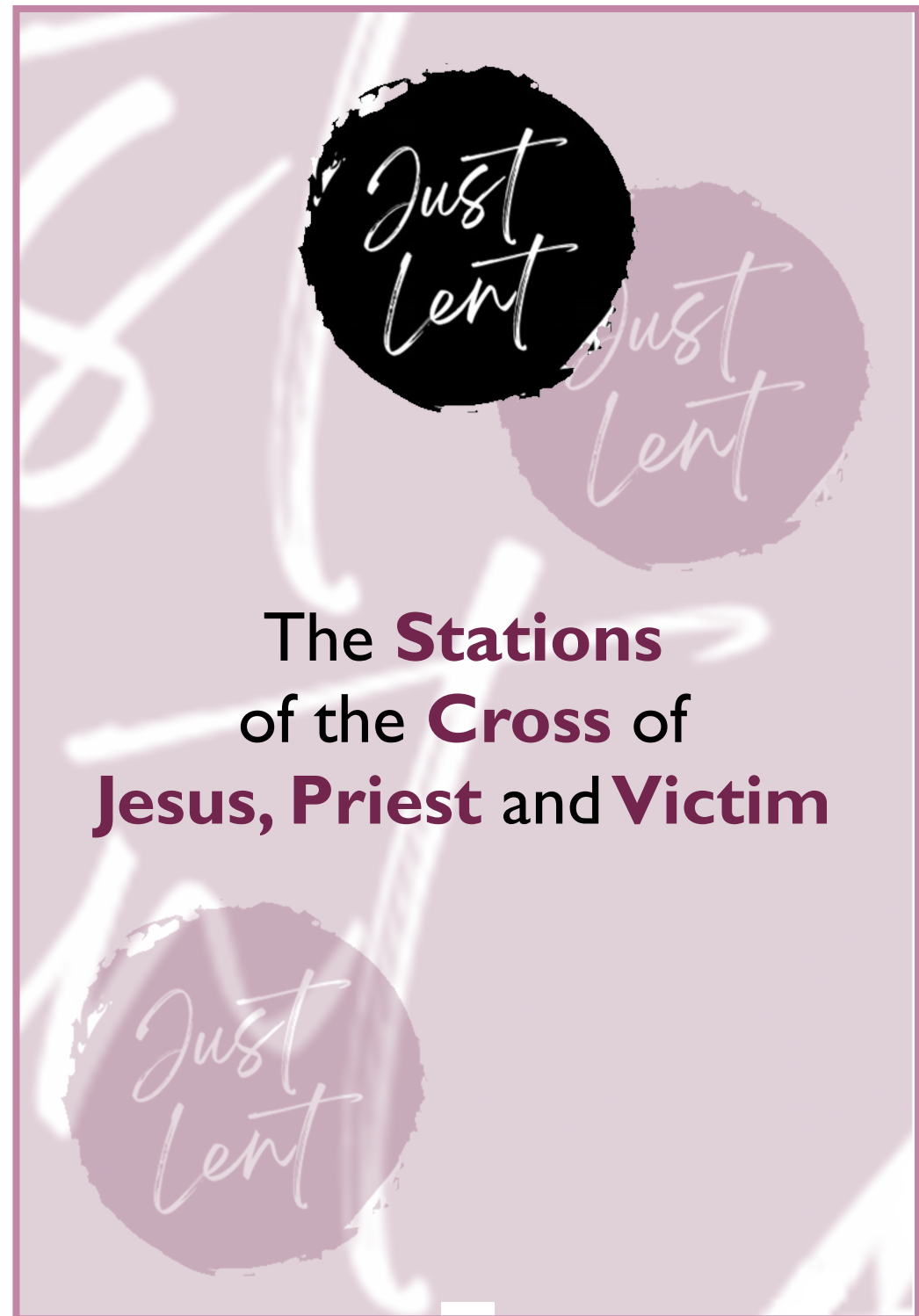
Lord Jesus, Victim who overcame death and destruction,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who has torn the veil of division,

All: have mercy on us.

A hymn of the Resurrection may be sung.



These Stations of the Cross may be led by up to four people. The first voice introduces the Station and leads in the acclamation, 'We adore you, O Christ...'. The prayer responses at the end of each Station creates a Litany of Jesus, High Priest and Victim. Alternative and appropriate hymn verses may be sung between each Station.

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Concluding Prayers

If the Fifteenth Station of the Cross is not visited (for example, during Lent) the Stations of the Cross may end with the following:

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

All: Jesus, our Priest,
hear us.

All: Jesus our Priest,
graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

God our Father,
Creator of all that is good.
Jesus, your Son and our great High Priest,
has redeemed the world
by his blood shed upon the cross,
May your grace and mercy
strengthen us and soften our hearts,
to reach out to those in need,
and seek your justice in the world,
so that your Kingdom will come in all its fullness.
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Fourteenth Station: Jesus is laid in the Tomb.

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

Now there was a man named Joseph,
from the Jewish town of Arimathea.

This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud
and laid him in a tomb cut in stone,
where no one had ever yet been laid.

It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning.

(Luke 23: 50-54)

III.

Here, as the body of Jesus is laid in the tomb,
we stand alongside those whose lives have been broken by war,
and all who work for peace in the world. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of darkness and pain,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who experienced death,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim, innocent and undefiled.

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**when to dust my dust returneth,
grant a soul that to thee yearneth
in thy paradise a place.**



The Stations of the Cross of Jesus, Priest and Victim



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Introduction

In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Lord, have mercy

All: Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy,

All: Lord, have mercy.

Christ hear us,

All: Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us,

All: Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father, Creator of the world,

All: have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

All: have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, sanctifier of the world,

All: have mercy on us.

We make our way to the first Station of the Cross in silence

The Thirteenth Station: Jesus is Taken Down from the Cross

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

When they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead,
they did not break his legs.

But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear,
and at once there came out blood and water *(John 19:33-34)*

III.

Here, as Jesus is taken down from the cross,
we stand alongside all those who seek safety and sanctuary,
and all who long for a better life. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, whose death reconciles the world,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim who shed his blood for the life of the world.

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who was wounded for our sake.

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Jesus, may thy cross defend me,
and thy saving death befriend me,
cherished by thy deathless grace:**

The Twelfth Station: Jesus Dies on the Cross

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

It was now about the sixth hour,
and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour,
while the sun's light failed.

And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said,

“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!

And having said this he breathed his last. *(Luke 23: 44-46)*

III.

Here, as Jesus dies on the cross,
we stand alongside all those who wait or watch with a dying loved one,
and all who live in the shadow of hatred and violence. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of dying and death

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who shed his blood for the sake of all,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of darkness and despair.

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**May he, when the mountains quiver,
from that flame which burns for ever
shield me on the judgment day.**

The First Station: Jesus is Condemned to Death

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?”

The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.”

So he delivered him over to them to be crucified. *(John 19:16)*

III.

Here, as Jesus is condemned to death,
we stand alongside those who are condemned to live in poverty,
and all who live under the shadow of injustice. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest who laid down his life for us,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of injustice and oppression,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, condemned to death,

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**At the cross her station keeping,
stood the mournful mother weeping,
close to Jesus at the last.**

The Second Station: Jesus Receives His Cross

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross,
to the place called The Place of a Skull,
which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. *(John 19:17)*

III.

Here, as Jesus receives his cross,
we stand alongside all who are burdened by oppression,
and all who struggle to make a living. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of the sins of the world,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest offering yourself as a sacrifice for sin,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of reconciliation and peace,

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Through her soul, of joy bereavèd,
bowed with anguish, deeply grievèd,
now at length the sword hath passed.**

The Eleventh Station: Jesus is Nailed to the Cross

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

And when they came to the place that is called The Skull,
there they crucified him, and the criminals,
one on his right and one on his left.
And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them,
for they know not what they do."
And they cast lots to divide his garments *(Luke 23: 33-34)*

III.

Here, as Jesus is nailed to the cross,
we stand alongside all those whose life choices are limited,
by unjust laws or disadvantage of any kind. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest who spoke words of forgiveness
in the midst of pain,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of humanity's nightmare,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who thirsted for God, the living God

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**May his wounds both wound and heal me
he enkindle, cleanse, anneal me,
be his cross my hope and stay.**

The Tenth Station: Jesus is Stripped of His Clothing

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus,
they took his garments and divided them into four parts,
one part for each soldier; also his tunic.
But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom,
so they said to one another,
“Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be.”

(John 19:23-24)

III.

Here, as Jesus is stripped,
we stand alongside those who are robbed of their dignity
as children of God,
and all victims of hatred and greed. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of crimes against humanity,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, stripped of your garments,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of intolerance and greed,
All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Of his passion bear the token,
in a spirit bowed and broken
bear his death within my heart.**

The Third Station: Jesus Falls for the First Time

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

And Jesus answered them,
“The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls
into the earth and dies, it remains alone;
but if it dies, it bears much fruit.
Whoever loves his life loses it,
and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.
(John 12:23-25)

III.

Here as Jesus falls for the first time,
we pray for all whose lives have led them to crime,
and all children who grow up with disadvantage. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who takes away the sins of the world,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of violence and hatred
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who brought us salvation through suffering,
All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**O, that blessed one, grief-laden,
blessed Mother, blessed Maiden,
Mother of the all-holy One;**

The Fourth Station: Jesus Meets His Mother

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,
“Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising
of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed
(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also),
so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.” *(Luke 2:31-35)*

III.

Here, as Jesus meets his mother,
we stand alongside those whose lives are devastated by death,
and all who witness and experience abuse. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim who is able to sympathize with our weakness,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, tested as we are but without sin,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim who offered up prayer, aloud and in silent tears,
All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**O that silent, ceaseless mourning,
O those dim eyes, never turning
from that wondrous, suffering Son.**

The Ninth Station: Jesus Falls the Third Time

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

“If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you.
If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own;
but because you are not of the world,
but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.
Remember the word that I said to you:
‘A servant is not greater than his master.’
If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you.
If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. *(John 15:18-20)*

III.

Here, as Jesus falls the third time,
we stand alongside all whose beginning in life
sets them at a disadvantage,
and all who are dismissed as useless. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest who stretched out his arms in love,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of greed and jealousy,
All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who shows us the way to the Father,
All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**In the passion of my Maker,
be my sinful soul partaker,
may I bear with her my part;**

The Eighth Station: Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

And there followed him a great multitude of the people
and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him.

But turning to them Jesus said,

“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me,
but weep for yourselves and for your children. *(Luke 23:27-28)*

III.

Here, as Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem,
we stand alongside those filled with sorrow and sadness,
and all whose tears are shed in the midst of violence and death. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of hatred and intolerance,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, whose shed tears and cried aloud,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of suffering and pain,

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Saw the Lord's anointed taken,
saw her Child in death forsaken,
heard his last expiring cry.**

The Fifth Station: Simon of Cyrene Carries the Cross of Jesus

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name.
They compelled this man to carry his cross. *(Matthew 27:32)*

III.

Here, as Jesus is helped to carry his cross,
we stand alongside those who speak out against injustice,
and all who stand in solidarity with the poor. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest and source of our salvation,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of pain and poverty,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who deals gently with
the ignorant and wayward.

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Who, on Christ's dear mother gazing,
in her trouble so amazing,
born of woman, would not weep?**

The Sixth Station: Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

Jesus said, 'For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
I was a stranger and you welcomed me,
I was naked and you clothed me,
I was sick and you visited me,
I was in prison and you came to me.' *(Matthew 25:35-36)*

III.

Here, as Veronica wipes the face of Jesus,
we stand alongside those who care for a loved one,
and for all who work in social care. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, Victim of hunger and thirst,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest who welcomed the sinner,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of poverty,

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**Who on Christ's dear Mother thinking,
such a cup of sorrow drinking,
would not share her sorrows deep?**

The Seventh Station: Jesus Falls the Second Time

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you,

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

II.

They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him;
he will not rise again from where he lies."
Even my close friend in whom I trusted,
who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me. *(Psalm 41: 8-10)*

III.

Here, as Jesus falls for the second time,
we stand alongside all who are crushed beneath tyranny and terror,
and for all victims of genocide and hatred. *(Silence)*

IV.

Lord Jesus, High Priest of a new covenant of love,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, Victim of torture and terror,

All: have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, High Priest, who gives mercy and grace in time of need.

All: have mercy on us.

All sing:

**For his people's sins, in anguish,
there she saw the victim languish,
bleed in torments, bleed and die.**