Preces Stationum Prayers for the Stations

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qua Dominus noster Iesus Christus non dubitavit manibus tradi nocentium et Crucis subire tormentum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Oratio de Sancta Sindone Christi

Domine Iesu, qui in sancta sindone, qua corpus tuum sacratissimum in Cruce depositum, a Ioseph involutum fuit, passionis tuae vestigia reliquisti: concede propitius, ut per mortem et sepulturam tuam ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

which our Lord Jesus Christ did not refuse to be delivered into the hands of wicked men, and to endure the torment of the cross; who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer on the holy Winding-Sheet of Christ's Body

O Lord Jesus Christ, who didst leave the marks of thy passion on the holy winding-sheet, in which thy most sacred body was wrapped by Joseph when taken down from the cross; mercifully grant, that through thy death and burial we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection; who livest and reignest, etc. Ant. Aestimatus sum cum descendentibus in lacum, factus sum sicut homo sine adiutorio, inter mortuos liber (Ps 87:5-6) O bone Iesu, venio huc cum mulieribus ad monumentum, lamentans et flens quod adhuc tam indignum me reddidi, ad regnum gratiae tuae in corde meo conservandum et stabiliendum.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Caro mea requiescet in spe.

R. Et non dabis sanctum tuum videre corruptionem.

V. Exsurge, Domine, adiuva me.

R. Et redime me a peccatis meis.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

Commendatio

Respice, quaesumus Domine, super hanc familiam tuam, pro

Ant. I am counted among them that go down to the pit; I am become as a man without help, free among the dead. O good Jesus, I come here with the women to Thy tomb, sorrowing and lamenting that hitherto I have shown myself so unworthy; confirm and establish the kingdom of grace in my heart.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. My flesh shall rest in hope.

R. Thou wilt not give thy holy one to see corruption.

V. Arise, O Lord, and help me.

R. And deliver me from my sins.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Commendation

Look down, O Lord, we beseech Thee, upon this thy family, for

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The text of this devotion is very Scriptural and liturgical, much more so than many more recent texts of the Stations, which are usually more meditational than purely prayerful such as this one. The text below draws extensively from the Good Friday Liturgy (Improperia/Reproaches) and Scripture, particularly the Psalms and the Book of Lamentations.

Except for Stations XIII and XIV, the Latin text below appears in the 1741 edition of the Coeleste Palmetum. Like the 1584 edition of Adrichomius' text on the Stations, this 1741 edition of the Coeleste Palmetum contains only the first twelve of our traditional Stations of the Cross. It was not until 1731 that Pope Clement XII fixed the number at fourteen and established what we have today as the Stations of the Cross. It is thus clear that this Latin text predates Pope Clement's decree, and is likely to have its origins in Adrichomius' 1584 text. Nineteenth century editions of the Coeleste Palmetum include the full fourteen stations as decreed by Pope Clement. The text below contains the full set of fourteen and comes from the 1741 edition and later editions which supply the missing two stations. The English comes from the 1870 edition of the Golden Manual, which contains the full fourteen stations.

Oratio praeparatoria

USCIPE, Sancta Trinitas, hoc servitutis meae obsequium, quod ad divinae Maiestatis tuae gloriam, et recognitionem redemptionis nostrae, pro satisfactione peccatorum meorum ad impetrandam defunctis requiem, vivisque gratiam, omnibus gloriam offero, in unione meritorum Domini nostri Iesu Christi, Beatae Virginis

Preparatory prayer

this my dutiful service, which I offer unto Thee in union with the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Virgin, and of all the Saints, to the glory of thy divine majesty, in satisfaction for my sins, in remembrance of our redemption, and to obtain for the departed rest, for the living grace, and for

Mariae et omnium Sanctorum. Tibi laus, honor, et gloria, o beata Trinitas, in sempiterna saecula. Amen.

V. Deus in adiutorium meum intende.

R. Domine ad adiuvandum me festina.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

I Statio Ubi Christus morti

Iniquum hoc iudicium lubens ille subiit, ut te ab aeterna damnationis sententia absolveret.

Ant. Dixerunt impii apud se non recte cogitantes: circumveniamus iustum, quoniam contrarius est operibus nostris: promittit se scientiam Dei habere, Filium Dei se nominat; videamus si sermones illius veri sunt, et si est vere Filius Dei, liberet eum de manibus nostris: morte turpissima condemnemus eum.

all everlasting glory. To Thee be praise, and honor, and glory, O blessed Trinity, forever and ever. Amen.

V. O God, come to my assistance.

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

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.

First Station Where Christ Is Condemned to Death

He willingly submitted to that unjust judgment, that he might deliver thee from the sentence of everlasting damnation.

Ant. The wicked have said, reasoning with themselves, but not rightly: Let us lie in wait for the just, for he is contrary to our doing: he boasteth that he hath the knowledge of God, and calleth God his Father. Let us see if his words be true. If he be indeed the Son of God, he will deliver him out of our hands. Let us

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Per te salutem hauriamus, Virgo Maria,

R. Ex vulneribus Christi.

V. Pie Iesu, da per matrem me venire,

R. Ad palmam victoriae.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

XIV Statio Ubi Iesu corpus sepelitur

Considera, o anima mea, quomodo corpus Iesu aromatibus condiatur, atque ita in monumento novo sepeliatur. Quibus tu honoribus Iesum, Redemptorem tuum, quotidie, sive sacramentaliter, sive spiritualiter excipis? An pro Iesu tuo recipiendo semper conaris esse monumentum novum, et praeclaris virtutum ornamentis splendidum?

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. Through thee, O Virgin Mary, may we obtain salvation,

R. From the wounds of Christ.

V. O holy Jesus, grant me to obtain, through Thy mother,

R. The crown of victory.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Fourteenth Station The Body of Jesus is buried

Consider, O my soul, how the body of Jesus was wrapped in spices, and laid in a new tomb. With what honor dost thou receive Jesus thy Redeemer daily, either sacramentally or spiritually? or art thou always endeavoring to be, as it were, a new tomb for the reception of Jesus, bright with the beautiful ornaments of virtue?

tuam redemisti mundum.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

XIII Statio Ubi Iesu corpus e cruce super afflictae matris genua deponitur

Considera vehementes animae dolores Mariae, cum mortuum Filii sui corpus de cruce depositum suo complexu susciperet, et suis genibus sustineret. Caritas tantis eam doloribus affecit, eamque vere martyrem reddidit. Quamnam tu erga Salvatorem tuum sentis caritatem et commiserationem?

Ant. Cui comparabo te, vel cui assimilabo te, filia Ierusalem? Cui exaequabo te, et consolabor te Virgo filia Sion? Magna est enim velut mare contritio tua. (Lam 2:13) O Mater misericordiae, fac ut tecum portem Christi mortem, passionis consortem.

Thou hast redeemed the world.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Thirteenth Station The body of Christ is taken down from the cross, and laid upon the knees of his mother

Consider the vehement anguish of Mary's soul, when she received in her arms the dead body of her Son taken down from the cross, and laid him on her knees. Love caused her so great grief, and made her truly a martyr. What love and sympathy dost thou feel for thy Savior?

Ant. To what shall I compare thee, or to whom shall I liken thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? To what shall I equal thee, O virgin daughter of Sion? Great as the sea is thy desolation. O mother of mercy, make me to share with thee the death of Christ; make me a partaker of his passion.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Proprio Filio suo non pepercit Deus.

R. Sed pro nobis omnibus tradidit illum.

V. Oblatus est quia ipse voluit.

R. Et non aperuit os suum,

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus:

DOMINE Iesu Christe, qui de caelis ad terram de sinu Patris descendisti, et sanguinem tuum pretiosum in remissionem peccatorum nostrorum fudisti: te humiliter deprecamur, ut in die iudicii ad dexteram tuam audire mereamur: VENITE BENEDIC-

condemn him to a most shameful death.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. God spared not His own Son R. But delivered Him up for us

all.

V. He was offered up, because He himself desired it.

R. And He opened not His mouth.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray:

O LORD Jesus Christ, who out of the bosom of the Father didst descend from heaven to earth, and didst shed Thy most precious blood for the remission of our sins; we humbly beseech Thee, that in the day of judgment we may be found worTI. Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patri in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Omittuntur in Golden Manual:

V. Sanctus Deus, sanctus fortis, sanctus immortalis.

R. Miserere nobis

V. Benedicamus Domino

R. Deo gratias.

V. Fidelium animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace. R. Amen

II Statio Ubi Christo Crux imponitur

Supra dorsum meum fabricaverunt peccatores. (Ps. 128)

Ant. Ave Rex noster, tu solus nostros es miseratus errores. Patri oboediens ductus es ad crucifigendum, ut agnus mansuetus ad occisionem. Tibi gloria Hosanna: tibi triumphus et victoria: tibi summae laudis et hono-

thy to stand at Thy right hand, and to hear Thee say unto us, "Come, ve blessed." Thou, who livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Omitted in the Golden Manual:

V. Holy God, Holy Strong One, Holy Immortal One.

R. Have mercy upon us

V. Let us bless the Lord

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace through the mercy of God.

R. Amen.

Second Station Where the cross is laid upon Christ

"The wicked have wrought upon *my back."* (Ps.128)

Ant. Hail, our King! Thou only hadst pity on our sins, and wast led, in obedience to Thy Father, to be crucified, and as a gentle lamb to the slaughter. To Thee be glory, Hosanna; to Thee be triumph and victory; to Thee meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

XII Statio Ubi in Cruce moritur

Considera, quid moriens dixerit, et fecerit Iesus. Utinam tu similiter moriaris!

Ant. Ecce quomodo moritur iustus nemo percipit corde: viri iusti tolluntur et nemo considerat: a facie iniquitatis sublatus est iustus, et erit in pace memoria eius.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kvrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Christus factus est pro nobis oboediens usque ad mortem.

R. Mortem autem Crucis.

V. Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.

R. Quia per Sanctam Crucem | **R.** Because by thy holy cross

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Twelfth Station Where Christ dies upon the cross

Consider what Iesus said and did when he was dying. Oh, that thou too mayest die like him!

Ant. Behold how the just man dieth, and no man layeth it to heart; and the righteous are taken away, and no one considereth. The just man is taken away from before the face of evil, and the memory of him shall be in peace.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. Christ became obedient unto death for us.

R. Even the death of the cross.

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee.

quibus Iesus se tibi obstrinxit! quibus tu vicissim te illi obstringis.

Ant. Popule meus quid feci tibi? Ego te exaltavi magna virtute: et tu me suspendisti in patibulo Crucis. Ego te excelsiorem feci cunctis gentibus; et tu me saturasti opprobriis et maledictis. Ego ante te aperui mare rubrum; et tu aperuisti lancea latus meum. Quid ultra debui tibi facere, et non feci?

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

- V. Quid sunt plagae istae in medio manuum tuarum?
- R. His plagatus sum in domo eorum, qui diligebant me.
- V. Foderunt manus meas et pedes meos.
- R. Et dinumeraverunt omnia ossa mea.
- V. Domine, exaudi orationem

with which Jesus hath bound himself unto thee! How dost thou bind thyself in returned to him?

Ant. O my people, what have I done unto thee? I exalted thee with great power, and thou didst hang me on the gibbet of the Cross; I made thee higher than all nations, and thou hast loaded me with reproaches and curses; I opened before thee the Red Sea, and thou hast opened my side with a spear. What could I have done for thee, that I have not done?

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

- **V.** What are these wounds in the middle of thy hands?
- R. With them was I wounded in the house of those who loved me.
- V. They pierced my hands and my feet.
- R. And have numbered all my bones.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

ris corona.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Disciplina pacis nostrae super eum.

R. Et livore eius sanati sumus.

V. Posuit in eo Dominus iniquitatem omnium nostrum.

R. Propter scelus populi sui percussit eum.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

III Statio Ubi primum Christus sub Cruce cecidit

Quantum pondus est peccatorum nostrorum, cui ille succubuit, quia omnia portat verbi virtutis suae.

Ant.

the crown of highest praise and honor.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. The chastisement of our peace was upon him.

R. And by his bruises we are healed.

V. The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

R. For the wickedness of his people hath he struck him.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Third Station Where Christ falls the first time under the cross

How great must be the weight of our sins, under which He fell. For he bears all things by the word of *His power!*

Humiliavit semetipsum | Ant: Our Lord Jesus Christ

Dominus noster Iesus Christus usque ad mortem, mortem autem Crucis, propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum et donavit illi nomen, quod est super omne nomen.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

- **V.** Vere languores nostros ipse portavit
- **R.** Et dolores nostros ipse portavit.
- **V.** Ipse vulneratus est propter iniquitates nostras.
- **R.** Attritus est propter scelera nostra.
- **V.** Domine, exaudi orationem meam.
- **R.** Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

IV Statio Ubi Beata Virgo cum Sancto Ioanne obviat Christo

Quam acerbo doloris gladio cor ma-

humbled himself unto death, even the death of the cross; for which cause God also hath exalted him, and hath given him a name which is above all names.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

- **V.** Surely he hath born our infirmities.
- **R.** And carried our sorrows.
- **V.** He was branded for our iniquities.
- **R.** He was bruised for our sins.
- **V.** Lord, hear my prayer.
- **R.** And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Fourth Station Where the Blessed Virgin and St. John meet Christ

Oh, how sharp a sword of grief

ra: et tu me potasti felle et aceto. Quid ultra debui tibi facere et non feci?

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

aceto.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

- **V.** Aruit tamquam testa virtus mea.
- **R.** Et lingua me adhaesit faucibus meis.
- V. Dederunt in escam meam fel. R. Et in siti mea potaverunt me
- **V.** Domine, exaudi orationem meam.
- **R.** Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

XI Statio Ubi Cruci horrendis clavis affigitur

Quam fortia amoris sunt vincula

made unto me exceedingly bitter; I gave thee to drink out of the rock the water of salvation, and thou madest me to drink vinegar and gall. What could I have done more for thee, that I have not done?

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

- **V.** My strength hath dried up like a potsherd.
- **R.** And my tongue hath cleaved to my jaws.
- **V.** They gave me gall to eat.
- **R.** And when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.
- V. Lord, hear my prayer.
- **R.** And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Eleventh Station Where Christ is fastened to the cross with dreadful nails

How strong are the band of love

tus est.

R. Et quasi agnus coram tondente se obmutuit.

V. Tradidit in mortem animam suam.

R. Ut vivificaret populum suum.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

X Statio Ubi felle et aceto potatur

Quam tu immitis es in pauperes? Idem Christo facis?

Ant. Popule meus, quid tibi feci, aut in quo contristavi te? responde mihi: Ego eduxi te de domo servitutis in terram promissionis: et tu me descendentem e sinu Patris eduxisti ad mortem Crucis. Ego te plantavi vineam meam speciosissimam; et tu factus es mihi nimis amara. Ego te potavi aqua salutis de ter-

slaughter.

R. And as a lamb before his shearers, he is dumb.

V. He delivered his soul unto death.

R. That he might give life unto his people.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Tenth Station Where Christ is stripped of his garments and given vinegar and gall to drink

Art thou unkind and inconsiderate to the poor? What thou dost to them, thou dost to Christ.

Ant. O my people, what have I done to thee, or wherein have I molested thee? Answer thou me. I brought thee out from the house of bondage to the promised land; and when I came to thee from the bosom of my Father, thou didst lead me to the death of the cross. I planted thee my choicest vine, and thou wast

tris, et cor amantissimi discipuli vulneratum fuerit ad hunc Iesu conspectum! Quem in te compassionis dolorem sentis.

Ant. O vos omnes, qui transitis per viam, attendite et videte, si est dolor sicut dolor meus. Idcirco ego plorans, et oculus meus deducens aquas, quia longe factus est a me consolator, convertens animam meam. Defecerunt prae lacrimis oculi mei: conturbata sunt omnia viscera mea: effusum est in terra iecur meum, super contritione filii mei, quoniam praevaluit inimicus.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Magna est velut mare contritio tua.

R. Quis medebitur tui?

V. Tuam ipsius animam doloris gladius pertransivit.

R. Ut revelentur ex multis cordibus cogitationes.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem

must have pierced the heart of his Mother, and of his loving disciple, when they met Jesus thus! Dost thou, too, share with them their sorrow and grief?

Ant. Oh, all ye that pass by, attend and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow: therefore do I weep, and my eyes run down with water, because the Comforter, the relief of my soul, is far from me. My eyes have failed for weeping, my bowels are troubled; my heart is turned within me; for the desolation of my Son. because the enemy hath prevailed.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. Great as the sea of thy grief.

R. Who shall heal thee?

V. A sword of grief hath pierced thine own soul.

R. That out of many hearts thought may be revealed.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

V Statio Ubi Simoni Cyrenaeo Crux imponitur

Coactus hic Crucem post Iesum portavit, quanto merito portasset sponte! Quae tua est promptitudo ad ferendam crucem Christi?

Ant. Nos autem gloriari oportet in Cruce Domini nostri Iesu Christi, in quo est salus, vita et resurrectio nostra, per quem salvati et liberati sumus.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

- **V.** Mihi autem absit gloriari, nisi in Cruce Domini nostri Iesu Christi.
- **R.** Per quem mihi mundus crucifixus est et ego mundo.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Fifth Station Where the cross is laid upon Simon of Cyrene

This man was compelled to carry the cross after Jesus. How great an honor to have carried it willingly! Art thou ready to bear the cross of Christ?

Ant. It behooveth us to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, who is our life and resurrection, and through whom we are saved and delivered.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

- **V.** God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Iesus Christ.
- **R.** By whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

IX Statio Ubi ultimo cecidit ad Montem Calvariae

Quoties peccatis nostris Christus opprimitur?

Ant. Popule meus, quid feci tibi, aut in quo contristavi te, responde mihi. Ego te eduxi de terra Aegypti: et tu me eduxisti ad patibulum Crucis. Ego te pavi manna per desertum quadraginta annis; et tu me cecidisti alapis et flagellis. Ego dedi tibi sceptrum regale; et tu dedisti capiti meo spineam coronam. Quid ultra debui tibi facere et non feci?

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Sicut ovis ad occisionem duc-

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Ninth Station Christ falls for the last time at mount Calvary

Oh, how often is Christ pressed down by the weight of our sins!

Ant. O my people, what have I done to thee, or wherein have I molested thee? Answer thou me. I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and thou hast prepared for me a cross; I led thee through the wilderness forty years, and fed thee manna, and thou hast beaten me with buffets and scourges; I gave thee a royal scepter, and thou hast given my head a crown of thorns. What could I have done more for thee, that I have not done?

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. He is led like a sheep to the

Ubi sunt lacrimae tuae, quibus sola peccata tua, nullam vero alium rei temporalis iacturam defleas?

Ant. Filiae Ierusalem, nolite flere super me, sed super vos ipsas flere, et super filios vestros. Quoniam ecce venient dies in quibus dicent: beatae steriles, et ventres quae non genuerunt, et ubera, quae non lactaverunt. Tunc incipient dicere montibus: cadite super nos; et collibus, operite nos. Quia si in viridi ligno haec faciunt, in arido quid fiet?

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

- **V.** Spiritus oris nostri Christus Dominus.
- **R.** Captus est in peccatis nostris.
- V. Cecidit corona capitis nostris.
- **R.** Vae nobis quia peccavimus.
- V. Domine, exaudi orationem

Where are tears with which thou dost bewail thy sins, rather than the loss of an earthly good?

Ant. Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For, behold, the days shall come in which they say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that have not borne, and the paps that have not given suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall upon us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if in the green wood they do these things, what shall be done in the dry?

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

- **V.** The breath of our nostrils, Christ the Lord,
- **R.** Is taken in our sins.
- **V.** The crown of our head hath fallen.
- **R.** Woe unto us, for we have sinned.
- V. Lord, hear my prayer.

- V. Crux fidelis inter omnes, arbor una nobilis.
- **R.** Nulla silva talem profert, fronde, flore, germine.
- **V.** Domine, exaudi orationem meam.
- **R.** Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

VI Statio Ubi Veronica Christo obviat

Quam illa praeclarum speculum a Christo obtinuit! in hoc te semper contemplare.

Ant. Ecce vidimus eum non habentem speciem neque decorem, despectum et novissimum virorum virum dolorum et scientem infirmitatem, et quasi absconditus vultus eius, unde nec reputavimus eum. Inglorius est inter viros aspectus eius, et forma eius inter filios hominum. Ipse autem est speciosus forma prae filiis hominum, cuius livore sanati sumus.

- **V.** O faithful cross, thou peerless tree!
- **R.** No forest yields the like of thee, leaf, flower, or bud.
- **V.** Lord, hear my prayer.
- **R.** And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Sixth Station Where Christ is met by Veronica

How excellent a mirror did Veronica obtain in the image of the face of Christ! Do thou ever contemplate thyself in that mirror.

Ant. Behold, we have seen him without beauty or comeliness, despised and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with infirmity, and his look was as it were hidden and despised; whereupon we esteemed him not. His appearance is without honor among the living, and his beauty among the sons of men; yet he is beautiful above all the children of men; by whose bruises we are healed.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Domine Deus virtutum converte nos.

R. Et ostende faciem tuam, et salvi erimus.

V. Ne avertas faciem tuam a nobis.

R. Et ne declines in ira a servis tuis.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

VII Statio Ubi Christus sub iudiciaria porta cecidit

Quomodo tu in iudicio extremo subsistes?

Ant. Tradiderunt me in manus impiorum et inter iniquos proiecerunt me, et non pepercerunt animae meae. Congregati sunt Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. O Lord God of Hosts, turn to us.

R. Show us thy face, and we shall be saved.

V. Turn not away thy face from us.

R. Nor leave thy servants in thy anger.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Seventh Station Where Christ falls down at the gate of judgment

How wilt thou be able to stand before him in the day of judgment?

Ant. They delivered me into the hands of the ungodly, and thrust me among the wicked, and did not spare my soul. The adversum me fortes et sicut gigantes steterunt contra me terribilibus oculis intuentes et plaga crudeli percutientes subsannaverunt me.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster... Ave Maria...

V. Ego autem sum vermis et non homo.

R. Opprobrium hominum et abiectio plebis.

V. Omnes videntes me deriserunt me

R. Locuti sunt labiis et moverunt caput.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus: Domine Iesu Christe...

VIII Statio Ubi mulieres Christum deplorant strong men gathered themselves against me, and stood over me like giants, gazing upon me with fierce looks; and beating me with cruel stripes, they mocked me.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father... Hail Mary....

V. But I am a worm, and no man.

R. The scorn of men, and the outcast of people.

V. All they that see me laugh at me

R. They spoke against me with their lips, and wagged their heads.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ...

Eighth Station Where the women lament over Christ