

Virtual Stations of the Cross

St. Paul's UMC Bay Head
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Instructions for Praying the Stations of the Cross

1. Sit in a quiet place with your device and your bible.
2. Begin with a minute of silence.
3. Then, pray the Opening prayer.
4. For each Picture, read the scripture out of your bible. Reflect and Meditate on the image and scripture for as long as you want. Pray your own prayer or the prayer printed under the image.
5. Continue through all twelve stations.
6. Meditate and reflect for at least one minute on all you have seen and read.
7. End with the Closing Prayer.

Opening Prayer:

Eternal God, open my eyes that I may see what it is you have to share with me as I read the story of your Son's suffering, crucifixion, and death. Amen.

First Station: Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-41)



Lord, grant us strength. May we seek to follow your will in all things.

Second Station: Jesus, Betrayed by Judas, is Arrested (Mar 14:43-46)



Lord, grant us courage. May our lives faithfully reflect the good news you bring.

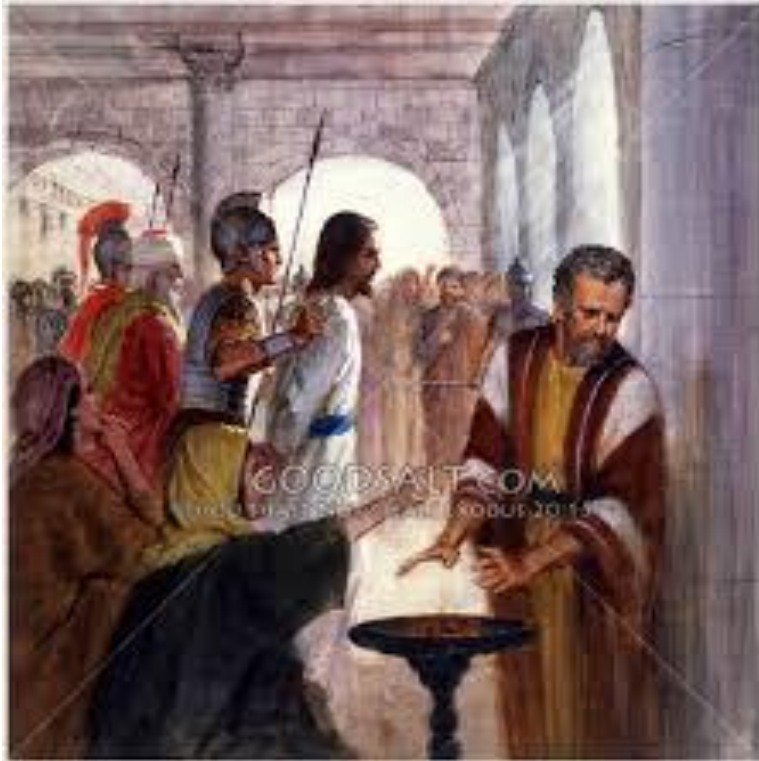
Third Station: Jesus is Condemned by the Sanhedrin (Luke 22:66-71)



Jesus before the High Priest by Alessandro Mantovani

Lord, grant us your sense of righteousness. May we never cease to work to bring about the justice of the kingdom that you promised.

Fourth Station: Jesus is Denied by Peter (Matthew 26:69-75)



Lord, grant us the gift of honesty. May we not fear to speak the truth even when difficult.

Fifth Station: Jesus is Judged by Pilate (Mark 15: 1-15)



Lord, grant us discernment. May we see as you see, not as the world sees.

Sixth Station: Jesus is Scourged and Crowned with Thorns (John 19:1-3)



Lord, grant us patience in times of suffering. May we offer our lives as a sacrifice of praise.

Seventh Station: Jesus Bears the Cross (John 19:6-17)



Lord, grant us strength of purpose. May we faithfully bear our crosses each day.

Eighth Station: Jesus is Crucified (Luke 23:33-34)



Lord, grant us merciful hearts. May we bring your reconciliation and forgiveness to all.

Ninth Station: Jesus Promises His Kingdom to the Good Thief (Luke 23:39-43)



Lord, grant us perseverance. May we never stop seeking you.

Tenth Station: Jesus Speaks to His Mother and the Disciple (John 19:25-27)



Lord, grant us ears willing to stand by those in need.

Eleventh Station: Jesus Dies on the Cross (Luke 23:44-46)



Lord, grant us trust in you so that when our time on earth is ended our spirits may come to you without delay.

Twelfth Station: Jesus is Placed in the Tomb (Matthew 27:57-60)



Lord, grant us your compassion. May we always provide for those in need.

Closing Prayer:

Eternal God, thank you for all that you have done for my salvation through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. Help me to feel the love that you have for me. Help me to celebrate and never forget all you have done for me.

Amen.