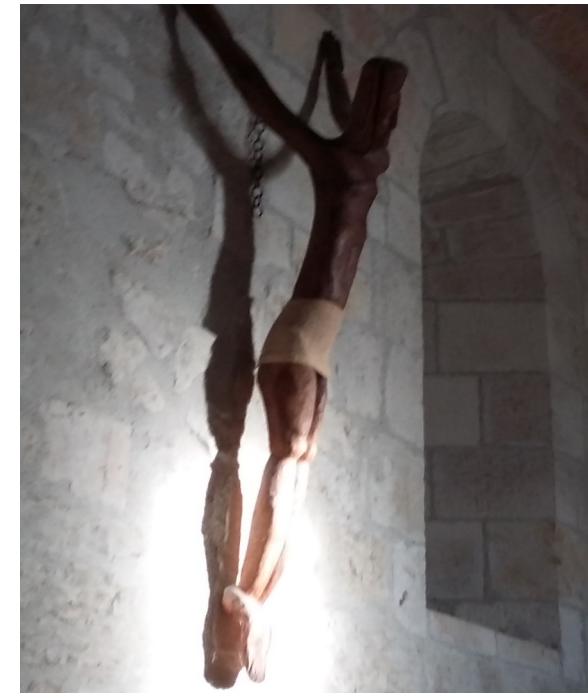




# A procession of passiontide prayers



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## **A Procession of Passiontide Prayers**

*From Passion Sunday (Lent 5) to Easter.*

### **Passion Sunday** (Lent 5)

Merciful God,  
you showed your glory to our fallen race  
by sending your Son  
to confound the powers of death.

Call us forth from sin's dark tomb.  
Break the bonds which hold us,  
that we may believe and proclaim Christ,  
the cause of our freedom  
and the source of our life,

who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit,  
holy and mighty God, now and for ever. Amen. (ICEL)

### **Palm Sunday**

O God of eternal glory,  
you anointed Jesus your servant  
to bear our sins,  
to encourage the weary,  
to raise up and restore the fallen.

Keep before our eyes  
the splendour of the Easter mystery of Christ,  
and, by our sharing in the passion and resurrection,  
seal our lives with the victorious sign  
of his obedience and exaltation.

We ask this through Christ, our liberator from sin,  
who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
holy and mighty God, now and for ever. Amen. (ICEL)

### **Maundy Thursday**

O God,  
in the fullness of time you revealed your love  
in Jesus the Lord.  
On the eve of his death,

as a sign of your covenant,  
he washed the feet of his disciples  
and gave himself as food and drink.

Give us life at this sacred banquet  
and joy in humble service,  
that bound to Christ in all things,  
we may pass over from this world to your kingdom,  
where he lives with you now and always in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen. (ICEL)

### **Good Friday**

From the throne of grace, O God of mercy,  
at the hour your Son gave himself to death,  
hear the devout prayer of your people.

As he is lifted high upon the cross,  
draw into his exalted life  
all who are reborn  
in the blood and water flowing from his opened side.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our passover and our peace,  
who lives with you now and always in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen. (ICEL)

### **Easter Morning**

God of undying life,  
by your mighty hand  
you raised up Jesus from the grave  
and appointed him judge of the living and the dead.

Bestow upon those baptized into his death  
the power flowing from his resurrection,  
that we may proclaim near and far  
the pardon and peace you bring us.

Grant this through our risen Lord Jesus Christ,  
first born from the dead,  
who lives with you now and always in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen. (ICEL)

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