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Saviour, when my life shall leave me,
Through your mother's prayers receive me
With the fruits of victory.

14 The Body of Jesus is laid in the Sepulchre

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**
Christe eleison **Christe eleison**
Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**

**Let me to your love be taken,
Let my soul in death awaken
To the joys of Paradise.**

After the prayer we depart in silence.

Images of the Stations of the Cross by the Rev'd Richard Coles 2020.

1. Immigration Tribunal (library picture). 2 Dr Li Wenliang, who was silenced for trying to share news about the new coronavirus long before Chinese authorities disclosed its full threat, died Feb. 7 2020 of the disease. (Weibo) 3. A protestor reacts as she is dragged away by police after storming in government headquarters in Hong Kong (Bobby Yip/Reuters) 4. Mother asking the Mexican national guard to let them cross into the US (Jose Luis Gonzalez/Reuters) 5. Greg Zanis of Aurora Ill., carries one of the 58 crosses he placed near the Fabulous Las Vegas sign to honour victims of the Oct 1 shooting on Friday 28 Sept 2018 (Richard Brian Las Vegas Review—Journal) 6. NZ PM meets Muslim woman (Hagen Hopkins, Getty) 7. Child on abandoned mattress (Mario Cruz) 8. Victims of clerical sex abuse Harrisburg (Matt Rourke/ Associated Press) 9. Spice user (Zenpix) 10. Turkish migrant beaten by Greeks (Anadolou Agency/ Getty) 11. Injection gurney (no credit) 12. Wally Skalij horses in fire, Australia. 13. Women mourn at site of Ethiopian 302 crash (Mulugeta Ayene, Ethiopia/ Associated Press) 14. Fuencarral cemetery in Madrid on March 29, 2020 (Baldesca Samper /AFP)

Stations of the Cross

With Stabat Mater



Walking the Stations of the Cross means walking with Jesus on his last journey, and it can be an upsetting and unsettling experience - but one that can show us, far more than words, how much Jesus loves us.

We don't need words for this journey - you don't need words to show someone how much you love them, and Jesus didn't carry a prayer book. The hymn might help your imagination as it is an ancient one—perhaps composed by Jacopo da Todi, an early Franciscan—and was translated by the 19th century hymnwriter Edward Caswell and is number 97 in the New English Hymnal.

Traditionally we kneel briefly (genuflect on one knee) before each station and remain kneeling at Jesus' crucifixion. Please do what you feel physically capable of.

We begin with a prayer at the foot of the Cross.

**At the cross her station keeping,
Mary stood in sorrow, weeping,
When her Son was crucified.**

I Jesus is condemned to die

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Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy in Greek*) **Kyrie eleison**
Christe eleison (*Christ, have mercy in Greek*) **Christe eleison**
Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**

**While she waited in her anguish,
Seeing Christ in torment languish,
Bitter sorrow pierced her heart.**

2 Jesus receives the Cross

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Our Father....

**With what pain and desolation,
With what noble resignation,
Mary watched her dying Son.**

3 Jesus falls for the first time

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



**Fairest maid of all creation,
Queen of hope and consolation,
Let me feel your grief sublime.**

12 Jesus Dies on the Cross

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

**Virgin, in your love befriend me,
At the Judgement Day defend me.
Help me by your constant prayer.**

13 Jesus is taken down from the Cross and laid in his Mother's arms

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Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

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

Mother, may this prayer be granted:
That Christ's love may be implanted
In the depths of my poor soul.

10 Jesus is Stripped of his Garments

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**
Christe eleison **Christe eleison**
Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**
At the cross, your sorrow sharing,
All your grief and torment bearing,
Let me stand and mourn with you.

11 Jesus is Nailed to the Cross

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A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

6 **Our Father...**

A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

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

Ever patient in her yearning,
Though her tear-filled eyes were burning,
Mary gazed upon her Son.

4 Jesus meets his Mother

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Who, that sorrow contemplating,
On that passion meditating,
Would not share the Virgin's grief?

5 Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus to carry his cross

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

**Christ she saw, for our salvation,
Scourged with cruel acclamation,
Bruised and beaten by the rod.**

6 Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus

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Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



A Scripture reading is followed by a short reflection

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.

**Christ she saw with life-blood failing,
All her anguish unavailing,
Saw him breathe his very last.**

7 Jesus falls the Second Time

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



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Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**
Christe eleison **Christe eleison**
Kyrie eleison **Kyrie eleison**

**Mary, fount of love's devotion,
Let me share with true emotion
All the sorrow you endured.**

8 Jesus Rebukes the Women of Jerusalem

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Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



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Our Father...

**Virgin, ever interceding,
Hear me in my fervent pleading:
Fire me with your love of Christ.**

9 Jesus Falls for the Third Time

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.



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