

# Benediction Hymns and Prayer

## O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim, op'ning wide  
The gate of heav'n to us below.  
Our foes press on from ev'ry side,  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end,  
In our true native land with thee.  
Amen.

## HYMN OF ADORATION

Down in adoration falling,  
This great sacrament we hail;  
Ancient types have long departed  
Newer rites of grace prevail  
Faith for all defects supplying  
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
honour, might and praise addressing  
while eternal ages run;  
Equal praise to him confessing  
who proceeds from both as one.  
AMEN  
V. You have given them bread from heaven  
R. Having in itself all delight.

## SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;  
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;  
In death's dread moments make me only thine.  
Call me and bid me come to thee on high,  
When I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

## PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

**Celebrant:** At the sight of the crowds,  
Jesus' heart was moved.

**Response:** For they were like sheep  
without a shepherd.

**Celebrant:** Jesus said, 'The harvest is  
ready.'

**Response:** But the labourers are few.

**Celebrant:** Ask the Lord to send our  
labourers for the harvest.

**Response:** O Lord, we pray for more  
young people to answer the call to become  
priests and religious in your harvest.

**Celebrant:** And shepherd for your people.

**Response:** Amen.



## WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

25th MARCH – 27th MARCH 2024  
HOLY WEEK  
YEAR B

### MONDAY 25th MARCH 2024

Monday of Holy Week

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Contend, O Lord, with my contenders;  
fight those who fight me.  
Take up your buckler and shield;  
arise in my defence, Lord, my mighty help.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 42:1-7

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 26:1-3, 13-14

**R.** The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

When evil-doers draw near  
to devour my flesh,  
it is they, my enemies and foes,  
who stumble and fall. **R.**

Though an army encamp against me  
my heart would not fear.  
Though war break out against me  
even then would I trust. **R.**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord! **R.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Let us greet our king;  
he alone showed mercy for our sins.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 12:1-11

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Do not hide your face from me in the day of my  
distress.  
Turn your ear towards me; on the day when I  
call, speedily answer me.

### TUESDAY 26th MARCH 2024

Tuesday of Holy Week

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Do not leave me to the will of my foes, O Lord,  
for false witnesses rise up against me  
and they breathe out violence.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 49:1-6

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17

**R.** I will sing of your salvation.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.  
In your justice rescue me, free me:  
pay heed to me and save me. **R.**

Be a rock where I can take refuge,  
a mighty stronghold to save me;  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.  
Free me from the hand of the wicked. **R.**

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,  
my trust, O Lord, since my youth.  
On you I have leaned from my birth,  
from my mother's womb you have been my  
help. **R.**

My lips will tell of your justice  
and day by day of your help  
(though I can never tell it all).  
O God, you have taught me from my youth  
and I proclaim your wonders still. **R.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Hail to our king, obedient to his Father;  
he went to his crucifixion like a gentle lamb.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 13:21-33, 36-38

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

God did not spare his own Son,  
but handed him over for us all.

**WEDNESDAY 27th MARCH 2024**  
**Wednesday of Holy Week**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend  
of those in heaven and on the earth  
and under the earth,  
for the Lord became obedient to death,  
death on a cross:  
therefore Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 50:4-9

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**  
Ps 68:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34

**R.** Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
that shame covers my face,  
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,  
an alien to my own mother's sons.  
I burn with zeal for your house  
and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

Taunts have broken my heart;  
I have reached the end of my strength.  
I looked in vain for compassion,  
for consolers; not one could I find.  
For food they gave me poison;  
in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink. **R.**

I will praise God's name with a song;  
I will glorify him with thanksgiving.  
The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in their  
chains. **R.**

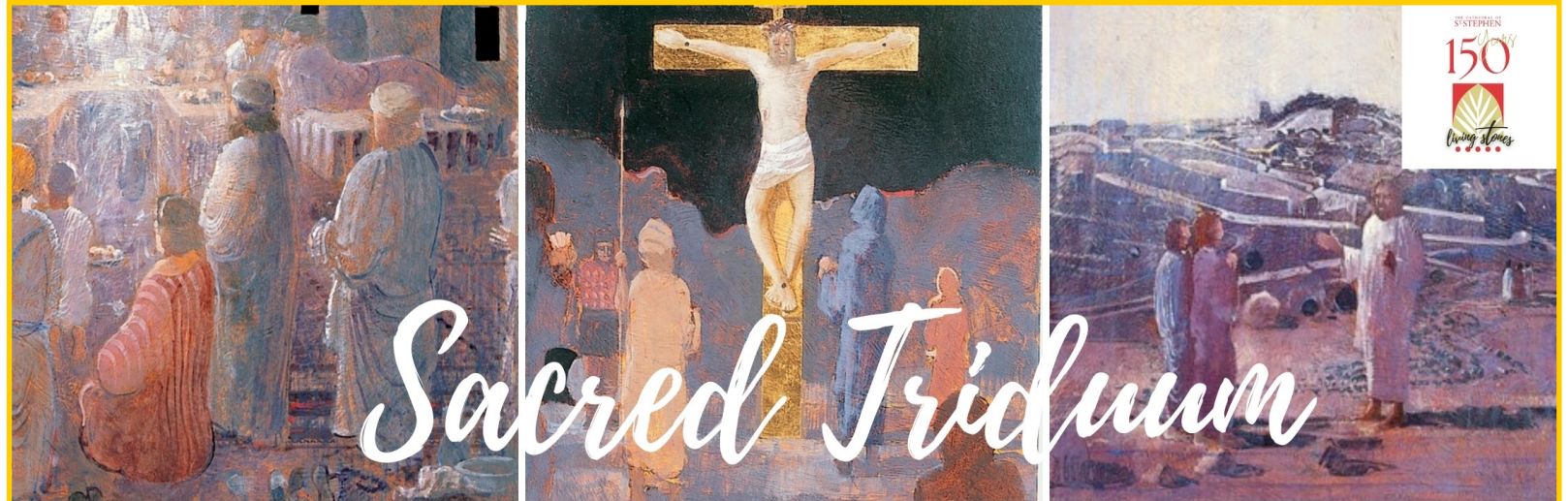
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**GOSPEL:** Matthew 26:14-25

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**


The Son of Man did not come to be served  
but to serve  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.



	Holy Thursday	Good Friday		Holy Saturday	Easter Sunday
<b>Cathedral of St Stephen</b>	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper <b>7:00pm</b>	Way of the Cross <b>10:00am</b>	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord <b>3:00pm</b>	Easter Vigil in the Holy Night <b>7:00pm</b>	Easter Sunday Mass <b>8am; 10am; 12pm; 7:30pm</b>
<b>St Patrick's Church</b>		Way of the Cross <b>10:00am</b>	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord <b>3:00pm</b>		Easter Sunday Mass <b>9am; 11am</b>

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