

Family Liturgy – Good Friday (Year A) Friday 10 April 2020

The Stations of the Cross (suggested around 10am)

Preparing the prayer space

Place a purple cloth on the table or floor.

Place a cross, bible and candle on it. Light the candle or use a battery-operated candle for safety. Add any other symbols or pictures relevant to your family.

Prepare materials

You tube as listed on sheet: Gospel story and song

Print out sheet if required

Gather around the prayer space as a family

Parent/Caregiver: Today we come together to remember Jesus and to be with him during his last hours on earth.

Opening prayer: God of love and mercy, we ask you to be with us as we journey with Jesus during his last hours on earth. We join ourselves with Jesus on the Cross. We listen in our heart to how we can be with Jesus at this time. Help us now to listen to your word to us.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parent/Caregiver: First, let us remember Jesus' as he is mistreated and is taken up the hill of Calvary to the Cross. Let us remember, too, that Jesus always loves us. We join ourselves to Jesus in a special way today.

Prayerfully watch the Way of the Cross – the journey of Jesus to Calvary (Stations of the Cross).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0qv7c4PsrA> (10 mins)

Parent/Caregiver:

Let us pray quietly and be with Jesus in our hearts. (pause for a moment)

I wonder how you felt when you listened to the journey of Jesus to the Cross?

I wonder if we remember the times you have been hurt, angry or sad?

We remember that when we are hurt, angry or sad, Jesus is with us and will never leave us. He is always with us and in our hearts.

We can share whatever we want with Jesus and he will understand.

Jesus will always help us, love us and bring us peace. We only need to ask him.

Let us listen to this Gospel story about Jesus' mother standing near the cross of Jesus.

Let us be with Mary, Jesus mother, as we listen to the gospel story. Mary is our mother too.

Gospel: A reading from the holy gospel according to John (19: 25-27)

All: Glory to you O, Lord.

'Standing close to Jesus' cross were his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas and Mary Magdalene.

Jesus saw his mother and the disciple he loved standing there.

Jesus said to his mother, 'He is your son'.

Then he said to the disciple, 'She is your mother.'

From that time the disciple took her to live in his home.'

(Gospel text © The Catholic Children's Bible (2013) St Mary's Press, USA)

We take a moment in quiet prayer

(pause for a moment)

Closing Song: At the Cross <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uYj83RuBZgw>



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