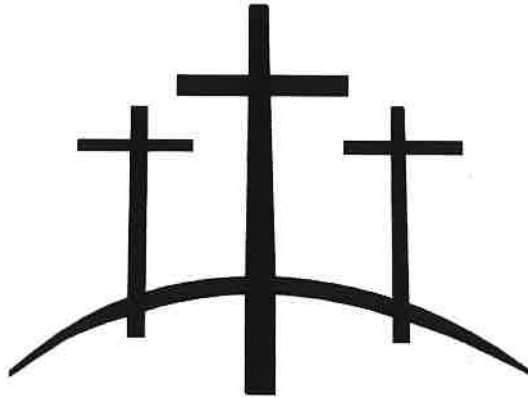




Stations of the Cross

Cel: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

Act of Contrition

All: Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You,
and I detest all of my sins because of Your just punishments;
but most of all because they offend You, my God,
who are all good and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace,
to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin.
Amen.

HYMN

May we feel no bitter hatred,
When we too are persecuted,
Left alone to walk with You.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

First Station of the Cross
Jesus is Condemned to Death



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Lord Jesus, through the unjust sentence passed upon You because of our sins,
deliver us from the sentence of eternal death, which we so often deserve. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Jesus, Lord, condemned, defiled,
May we too be meek and mild
As we tread your holy way.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Second Station of the Cross
Jesus Carries His Cross



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Jesus, You willingly carried the heavy Cross placed upon You by our sins. Help us to understand how terrible our sins are. Grant us to repent and to shed tears of sorrow for these sins until our death. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Now the Cross as Jesus bore it,
Has become for us who share it,
The jeweled cross of victory.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Third Station of the Cross
Jesus Falls for the First Time



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: O Jesus, the heavy weight of our sins have made you fall under the Cross.
We despise these sins, and as we ask you to forgive us. We resolve with the help
of your grace to sin no more. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Weakened, prodded, cursed, and fallen,
His whole body bruised and swollen,
Jesus tripped and lay in pain

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Forth Station of the Cross
Jesus Meets His afflicted Mother



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Sorrowful Jesus, Sorrowful Mary, in the past we caused You pain and sorrow.
Now we resolve to avoid sin and to love You faithfully. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Jesus met his grieving Mother,
She who made the Lord our brother;
Now the sword her heart has pierced.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Fifth Station of the Cross
Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus
to carry His Cross



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Lord Jesus, how fortunate was Simon to help You carry Your Cross,
We too, shall be fortunate if we help You to carry Your Cross, by accepting the crosses
You will send us during our lives with patience and joy. Jesus, Our God, please help us
to carry these crosses. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Simon stopped in hesitation,
Not foreseeing his proud station,
Called to bear the Cross of Christ.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Sixth Station of the Cross
Veronica wipes Jesus' Face



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Tender and merciful Jesus, You allowed the image of Your Holy Face to be imprinted on Saint Veronica's veil, which she used to wipe it. We ask You to imprint the memory of Your bitter death in our hearts. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Brave but trembling came the woman,
None but she would flaunt the Roman,
Moved by love beyond her fear.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Seventh Station of the Cross
Jesus Falls for the Second Time



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Jesus, our return to sin made You fall under the Cross a second time.
Grant us the grace to use the means which will prevent us from falling again.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Prostrate on the dust He crumbled,
Flogged in Body He resembled
All our brothers poor and scorned.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Eighth Station of the Cross
Jesus Meets the women of Jerusalem



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Jesus, You consoled the holy women of Jerusalem, who were crying at the sight of your suffering. Likewise, console our souls with Your mercy. We depend only on You and shall respond to the call of Your grace. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

May our sympathy for Jesus,
Turn to those who here now need us,
May we see Christ bruised in them.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Ninth Station of the Cross
Jesus Falls for the Third Time



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Lord Jesus, through Your suffering, You fell under the Cross a third time;
do not allow us to fall into sin again. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Jesus fell again in weakness,
Stumbling as we do, to lead us
Through our sorrow and our pain.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Tenth Station of the Cross
Jesus is stripped of His clothes



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: Jesus, You were stripped of Your clothes and given vinegar to drink. We ask you to separate us from all earthly things and grant that we may detest all things that attach us to the world and to sin. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Stripped and jeered by his own nation,
Jesus stood in desolation,
Giving all He had to give.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Eleventh Station of the Cross
Jesus is nailed to the Cross



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: O Jesus, by the sufferings that You endured, when you were nailed to the cross by Your hands and feet with forceful nails, grant that our bodies may be crucified by the spirit of Christian sacrifice. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Pierced the hands that blessed and cured us,
Pierced the feet that walked to free us,
Walked the hill of Calvary.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Twelfth Station of the Cross
Jesus dies on the Cross



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

(Remain kneeling and pause in silence in honor of Our Lord's death)

Cel: O Lord Jesus, after agonizing on the cross for three hours, You died for us.
Make us die before we fall into sin, and if You wish that we live, may our lives
be only to love and serve You with all trust. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Life eternal, death defiant,
Bowed his head, the world was silent,
Through his death came life anew.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Thirteenth Station of the Cross
Jesus' Body is taken down
from the Cross



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: O Mary, sorrowful Mother, how great is the sword of suffering that pierced your heart when you saw your beloved Son dead on your lap. We beg you to intercede for us, that we may always despise sin, which is the cause of His death and of your deep suffering, and that He may help us to live true Christian lives and save our souls. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

Stunned and stricken, Mary, Mother,
In your arms was placed our Brother,
Full of Grace now filled with grief.

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Fourteenth Station of the Cross
Jesus is laid in the tomb



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

(kneel)

All: Because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.

Cel: O Jesus, we wish to be always with You: dead to the world, to live only to love You, and afterwards to enjoy with You Your heavenly paradise, made possible by the fruits of Your sufferings and death on the Cross, the wood of shame. Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Cel: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

Cel: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

HYMN

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

Mary, Mother of our Savior,
May we share in your Son's passion,
Leading us from death to life.

Concluding Prayer

Cel: Eternal Father, You sanctified the banner of the Life-Giving Cross by the Precious Blood of Your Son.
We implore Your mercy to grant those who honor this Holy Cross the remission of their sins and admittance to eternal glory, through the merits of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen,



Benediction with the Holy Cross

The celebrant incenses the Cross while the congregation sings the following hymn

HYMN: O My People, Friends (*Ya Sha'bee wa Sahbee*)

O my people, friends,
where is the faith and the love
that you pledged to me?
What crime have I done?
Why do you treat me
with great contempt and with scorn?
Now in shame I die
in between two thieves.

Mother, do not cry.
This only adds to my grief.
Leave me. Go your way.
Do not weep for me.
Father, why am I
here, all alone, in my pain?
I am choked with tears;
Father, hear my plea!

Adoration of the Cross

O My People, Friends

(Ya Sha'bee wa Sahbee)

Arabic: *ya sha'bee wa sahbee*
(verses 1& 4)

Eng Adapt: Inter-Eparchial Music Commission
(2013)

G m
G m
G m/E
D
E m



O my peo - ple, friends, where is the faith and the love
 Mo - ther, do not cry. This on - ly adds to my grief.

9 E m
D
D
E m
D



that you pledged to me? What crime have I done?
 Leave me. Go your way. Do not weep for me.

16 E m
G m
G m
G m/E
D
E m



Why do you treat me with great con - tempt and with scorn?
 Fa - ther, why am I here, all a - lone, in my pain?

24 E m
D
D
E m
D



Now in shame I die in be - tween two thieves.
 I am choked with tears; Fa - ther, hear my plea!

Act of Faith

Cel: O Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we firmly believe what our Holy Mother, the Church, teaches us, because You have revealed it to her. You are the truth and You can neither deceive nor be deceived.

We beseech You, through Your love for Your Mother, the Most Holy Mary, ever Virgin, and Your chosen one, St. Joseph, and through the wound of Your *left foot* to grant us Your grace so that we may live and die with it.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Act of Adoration and Thanksgiving

Cel: O Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we confess and adore You because You are our God, our Savior and our supreme judge. We bow in front of Your Divine Majesty offering You our thanks for all the graces You granted and will grant us.

We beseech You, through Your love for Your Mother, the Most Holy Mary, ever Virgin, and Your chosen one, St. Joseph, and through the wound of Your *right foot* to grant us Your grace so that we may live and die with it.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Act of Hope

Cel: O Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we rely on You and hope from You to help and guide us in this our life, to forgive our faults so that we may inherit Your everlasting paradise because all our hope is dependent on Your endless mercy and Your indescribable goodness.

We beseech You, through Your love for Your Mother, the Most Holy Mary, ever Virgin, and Your chosen one, St. Joseph, and through the wound of Your *left hand* to grant us Your grace so that we may live and die with it.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Act of Conformity

Cel: O Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we dedicate ourselves to Your Divine and Trustful Will, and willingly accept from Your hand sickness, tribulation, and death the way You want and when You want. O Our beloved Jesus, all we desire is to accomplish Your good will now and always in all places and at all times.

We beseech You, through Your love for Your Mother, the Most Holy Mary, ever Virgin, and Your chosen one, St. Joseph, and through the wound of Your *right hand* to grant us Your grace so that we may live and die with it.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Act of Contrition and Love

Cel: O Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we are sorry from the depth of our hearts because we have sinned against You with our bad actions, deserved Your punishment by temporal sufferings and the everlasting fire of Hell, and lost the joys of Your heavenly kingdom, We are especially sorry because we have sinned against Your fatherly love, O You who are the good God, and deserve the love of all your lowly creatures. We firmly resolve not to return to sin, and rather, to accept death one thousand times than to commit one mortal sin.

We beseech You, through Your love for Your Mother, the Most Holy Mary, ever Virgin, and Your chosen one, St. Joseph, and through the wound of Your *pure heart* to grant us Your grace so that we may live and die with it.
Amen.

All: Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

The celebrant incenses the Cross while the congregation sings the following hymn:

HYMN: *Teshbooh-tol Moryo* (To God be glory!)

tesh-booh-tol mor-yo (To God be glo-ry)
On the cross the Son of God
gave up his spirit.
He commended it to God
his mighty Father.
The earth then shook.
Tombs were opened wide, the rocks were split,
and great fear filled all.
With a lance they pierced the heart
of their Creator.
Blood and water flowed from him;
for-give-ness poured forth.

The celebrant holds the Cross facing the congregation as they sing the following hymn:

HYMN: Blessed Mary, David's Daughter (*Qamat Maryam*)

Blessed Mary,
David's Daughter, stood by the cross,
weeping for Christ,
crucified there, on Golgotha.
Like a lance sorrow pierced her heart;
filled with grief, she was overwhelmed.
She beheld him and cried out:
"O my Son, whom I love!"

Jesus, my Son,
I implore you to speak to me.
Should I not weep
When I see you upon the cross?
All your wounds pierce your mother's heart
and your pain fills my soul with grief.
How can I live if you die?
So I cry: "O my Son!"

Mother of Christ,
and the Daughter the Father loves,
Mary, the Bride
of the Spirit, O Blessed One,
may we share in the pain of the Christ
and be clothed with abundant grace.
Let us give thanks all our days
and with you sing God's praise.

Adoration of the Cross

On the Cross the Son of God

(Teshboohtol Moryo)

Syriac: *fsheeto* (Passion)

Eng Adapt: Inter-Eparchial Music Commission
(2012)

D G A

Tesh - boohtol mor - yo
(To God be glo - ry!)

5 D A D A

On the cross the Son of God gave up his spi - rit.
At the cross the Church looked up and saw her Sa - vior,

12 D A D A

He com - men - ded it to God his migh - ty Fa - ther. The
Christ, the Sun of Righ - teous - ness, who gives the world light. She

19 D A

earth then shook. Tombs were o - pened wide, the rocks were split,
saw his wounds, which the nails and lance had made in him,

26 D G A D

and great fear filled all. With a lance they pierced the
and she grieved deep - ly. Draw - ing close, the Church knelt

33 A D A D

heart of their Cre - a - tor. Blood and wa - ter flowed from
down to wor - ship say - ing: We a - dore you, Christ our

40 A D A7 D

him; for - give - ness poured forth.
Lord, who died to save us.

Adoration of the Cross

Blessed Mary, David's Daughter

(Qamat Maryam)

Arabic: *qamat maryam*

(verses 1, 2 & 6)

Eng Adapt: Inter-Eparchial Music Commission

(2013)

D A D A D

D A D A D

D A A7 D A

D A D A D A7 D

The celebrant blesses the congregation with the Cross, saying:

Cel: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.
May the memory and power of His Holy Passion overflow in your hearts.
May the mark of His Holy Cross protect you from all harm.

Cel: In the name of the Father +

Cong: Amen

Cel: In the name of the Son +

Cong: Amen

Cel: In the name of the Holy Spirit +

Cong: Amen

CONCLUDING HYMN: O Beloved (Wa Habeebee)

O Beloved, O Beloved,
On the cross you died for us.
We received life and forgiveness
From the wounds that you endured.
Those who died have life eternal;
All are joined to you, O Lord.
On this day death was abolished
by your promise of new life.

wa habeebee, wa habeebee
soo-lee-ma l-mow-too-ee laik
fa-ta-sa-lam-na hayatan
men geera-hatee yadak
ya habeebee aya zan ben
qad sana 'hta ow kareeh
anta maj hoodon jareehom
laysa feeka men sheefa

Has a love like our Beloved's
been revealed on earth before?
Or what lord has shown his glory
on a cross known for its shame?
All creation is astonished
and all people are in awe.
In the Church we can encounter
Truth and Peace in Christ our Lord.

Adoration of the Cross

O Beloved

(Wa Habeebee)

Melody: *Lorsqu'un Dieu daigne répandre*
(God of Mercy and Compassion)

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Arabic Text: Fr Michel Hayek

Dm Gm Dm B $\flat$ A Dm

O Be - lo - ved, O Be - lo - ved, on the cross you died for us. We re -
Has a love like our Be - lo - ved's been re - vealed on earth be - fore? Or what
Love has led you, O Be - lo - ved, to the cross on Cal - va - ry. For my

6 Dm Gm Dm B $\flat$ A Dm

ceived life and for - give - ness from the wounds that you en - dured. Those who
lord has shown his glo - ry on a cross known for its shame? All cre -
sake you suf - fered great - ly and you died to save my soul. Now I

10 F B $\flat$ F C A Dm Gm A A7

died have life e - ter - nal; all are joined to you, O Lord. On this
a - tion is as - ton - ished and all peo - ple are in awe. In the
hope to spend my life, Lord, me - di - ta - ting on your law and the

14 Dm Gm Dm B $\flat$ A7 Dm

day death was a - bo - lished by your pro - mise of new life.
Church we can en - coun - ter Truth and Peace in Christ our Lord.
mys - t'ry of re - demp - tion and your love for one and all.