

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14—27:66 *or* Matthew 27:11-54

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to be born of human flesh, to become your servant, obedient even to death on a cross, and thereby the example of true humility. Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also become partakers in his resurrection; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Optional Supplications for*)

ON THE GOSPEL READING • Matthew 26:14—27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

Lord Jesus Christ, you came in fulfillment of the promise to deliver us, once and for all, from the tyranny of sin and death. We rejoice that you are always coming and have come to us. Help us to crown you as Lord of life that you may reign always in our hearts and homes. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Lord God, heavenly Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification. Regenerate in us newness of life by your Holy Spirit, that through the power of his resurrection, we may dwell with Christ forever. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

THANKS TO FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT

We thank you, God the Father, for giving your only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. We thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, that you have borne in your body all our sins, and blotted out all our transgressions. We thank you Lord, the Holy Spirit, for working in our hearts such confidence, that we know of nothing else in which to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and him crucified. Grant, O God, that we may firmly believe that all our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake, and so enlighten us by your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully follow the Lord Jesus until we see him face to face in eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE PARISH

Gracious Father, guide and bless the children of your church that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of your Word. Protect them from all danger and harm, and give your holy angel charge over them. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION

Visit and relieve, O Lord, your servants who are ill, for whom we now make supplication, naming them in our hearts. Comfort them with a sure confidence in your care, defend them in danger, and keep them in your lasting peace and safety. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us to keep your Word in pure hearts, so we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. **Amen.**
