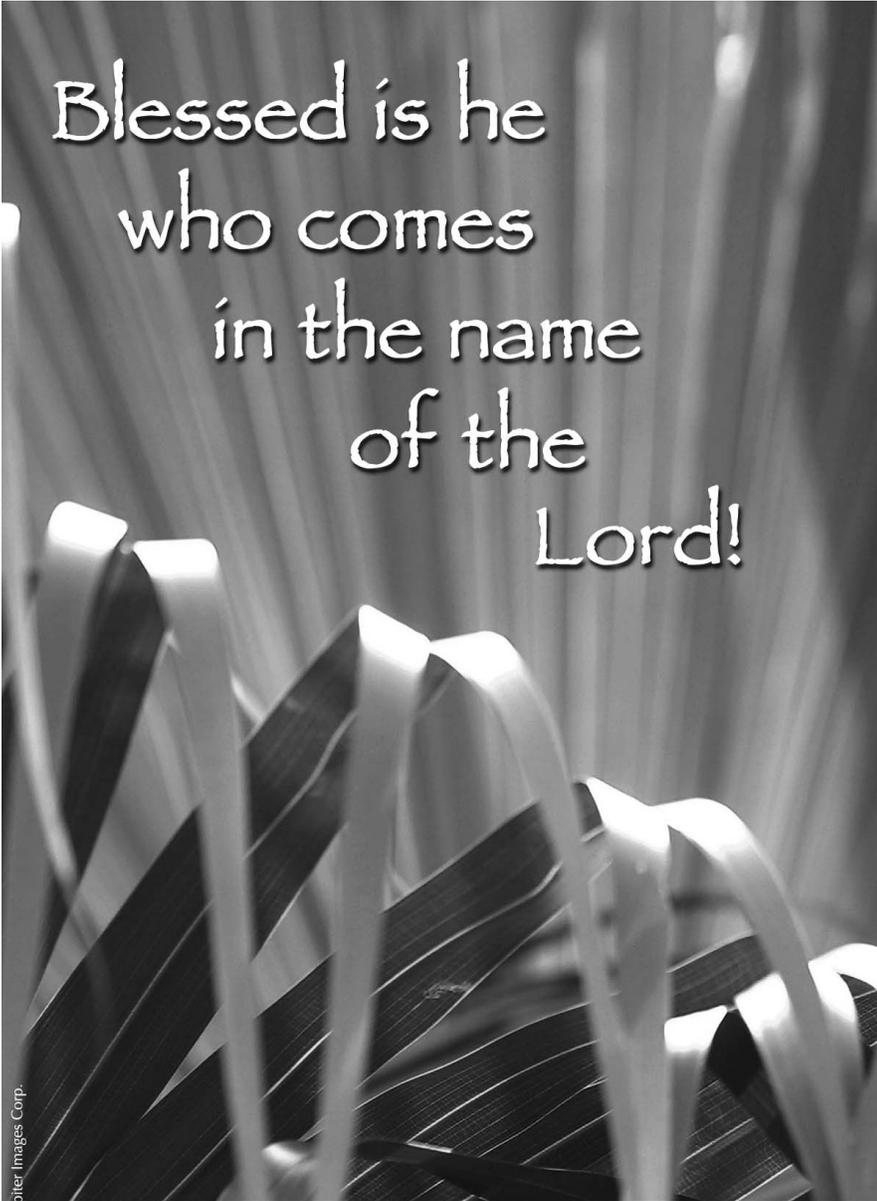


# Our Lady of Victory Parish

300 Capt. Thomas Boulevard, West Haven CT 06516

*“Let us then pursue what leads to peace  
and to build up one another.” (Romans 14:19)*

March 28, 2021 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord



Blessed is he  
who comes  
in the name  
of the  
Lord!

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekdays** at 7:30 AM  
*(except Thursday)*

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 PM

**Sunday:** 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM

Weekend Mass with music can be viewed online each week by visiting our website. To attend in person, **please sign up by Friday** by visiting our Facebook page for more details (addresses below).

## CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Mondays 6-7 PM, and Saturdays, from 3-4 PM in the church. Masks must be worn; social distancing must be followed.

## RECTORY OFFICE:

**Monday—Friday**

*on a limited basis;*

*presently, closed to public*

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**READINGS** for Mass appear on pg. 7.  
**MUSIC** for Mass appears on pg. 8.

## PARISH STAFF

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### Religious Education:

LoriAnn Ruiz, Director of  
Religious Education

## Weekly Mass Intentions

*If you would like to honor a friend or family member with a Mass, please see available dates on pg. 6.*

**SATURDAY**, March 27 — Lenten Weekday; Vigil

4:30 PM: **Louis E. Capelli, Jr.**, Req. by Tom and Marilyn Halligan

**SUNDAY**, March 28 — Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

8:00 AM: **Ernest and Rita Pimer**, Req. by Mike and Sue Pimer

9:30 AM: **Theresa R. Dini**, Req. by the Dini Children

11:00 AM: **Gil Cunha**, Req. by his Family

**MONDAY**, March 29

7:30 AM: **Donna Sheehan**, Req. by a Friend

**TUESDAY**, March 30

7:30 AM: **Mary Blasdale and Peter Torre**, Req. by Frank and Marilyn Torre

**WEDNESDAY**, March 31

7:30 AM: **Fr. George Laliberte**, Req. by Marla

**THURSDAY**, April 1 — Holy Thursday

7:00 PM: **Priests Who Have Served at Our Lady of Victory Parish**

**FIRST FRIDAY**, April 2 — Good Friday

3:00 PM: **Good Friday Service**

**SATURDAY**, April 3 — Holy Saturday; Easter Vigil

7:30 PM: **Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory**

**SUNDAY**, April 4 — EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM: **Annette Lovegrove**, Req. by Don and Jodi Lovegrove Peeler

9:30 AM: **Marie and Jeff Paturzo**, Req. by the Family

11:00 AM: **The Deceased Members of the Czapleski and Reynolds Families**, Req. by Joan and Russ Reynolds

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OUR LADY OF  
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## Eucharistic Adoration

*"Come to me, all you who labor  
and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)*

Adoration takes place on Saturday morning for one hour, immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass. Social distancing and masks are required.

## Baptism Preparation Classes

Baptism Preparation classes will be held on the second Tuesday of each month via Zoom.

Please contact the Rectory Office to register for the class.





# HOLY WEEK

## Holy Week Schedule

### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Available on Monday 6-7 PM in the church. Masks must be worn; social distancing must be followed.

### PALM SUNDAY

March 28, 2021

Masses at 4:30 PM Saturday; Sunday at 8, 9:30 and 11 AM

*See information at right for details regarding the distribution of palms.*

### HOLY WEEK

*Holy Thursday:*

April 1 at 7 PM

*Good Friday:*

April 2 at 3 PM

*Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil):*

April 3 at 7:30 PM

### EASTER SUNDAY

April 4  
at 8, 9:30 and 11 AM

## Drive-Up Palm Distribution

*Palm Sunday, This Weekend | 12:30-1:30 PM  
(Also distributed at Masses that weekend.)*

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four Gospels. It also marks the first day of Holy Week, the week of that precedes the arrival of the Easter Season.



We celebrate Palm Sunday with the blessing and distribution of palm branches, representing the palm branches which the crowd scattered in front of Christ as He rode into Jerusalem.

Palms will be distributed on Palm Sunday, March 28, at all of our **Masses** AND between 12:30-1:30 PM by **driving around the loop** in front of the church, rolling down your window and receiving the palms hands-free.

## Will You Walk with Jesus on Good Friday?

*April 2, 2021 | 10:00 AM | Front Doors of the Church*

Walk the Boardwalk and pray the Stations of the Cross with Deacon Dean on Good Friday morning, starting at 10:00 at the church. More information to come!

The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's last day on Earth as a man. The devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individuals recall and meditate on a specific event from Christ's last day.



***Easter Sunday Mass Sign-Up, see page 5.***

## **We pray for those who are sick.**

*Out of respect for whom we pray, only family members may add names to this list.*

Jason Adams, Maureen Alonso, Charles Asarisi, Augliera Family, Louis Altieri, Amanda, Valeria Asperelli, Priscilla Banning, Danielle Boros, Gerard Canadeo, Danny Caudell, Kevin Colleran, Michael Cote, Rosalie, Lucy Anne Criscuolo, Deanna Cusano, Jeff Davis, Dawn DellaRocco, DeNigris Family, Frank Dini Jr., Patti Dowling, Michael Duffy, Monique Ek, Sandy Eocai, Linda Foley, Tony Fusco, Maureen Freeman, Patti Fusco, Joseph Galatie, Geraldine, Therese Gill, Dee Green, Ray Guarino, Tom Halligan, Karen Hodgdon, Bill Kapinos, Hank Kowalski, Rose Jarvie, Florence Johnson, Ann LaBonia, Patricia Lesko, Carmen Limauro, Claudine Lopez, Martin Luth, Theresa Luth, Charles Maddelena, Noah McEachern, Genevieve Mieczkowski, Theresa Montz, Edwin Morales, Mary Moran, Gabby Murillo, Devin O'Connor, Judy Palmer, Joseph Pekar, Kristin Purdy, Joseph R., Marsha R., John Rakos, Don Robillard, Elizabeth Ross, Rose Santilli, Elizabeth Shamaly, Jack and Joan Shea, Richard and Suzanne Smallman, Anthony Spina, Daniel Steinau, Gwen Stiewing, Anthony Terassi Sr., Anthony Terassi, Jr., Jessie Terassi, Jane Thomson, Tiernan, Lynn and Jacques Veillette, Doris Worrell



## **In loving memory, we pray for these souls.**

*Our Parish extends sympathy to the family and friends of:*

### **The Victims of the Coronavirus**

## **Please pray for those serving in our military.**

*Parishioners are invited to add the names of armed forces personnel on active duty to this list by calling the rectory office.*

Jeffrey Batres, USMC | Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek  
Staff Sgt. Danielle Luby  
Cpl. Teagan Fransen, USMC  
SPEC Giovanni Gigola | Capt. William Austin  
Airman Gabriella Gigola  
Airman Aaron Butner | Airman Sean Hufcut  
E3 Lexi Ronan, USN | E5 Ryan Ronan, USN  
Pvt. Christopher Miller  
SPC Alexander Capuras  
E4 Raymond Mayberry, USMC  
Senior Airman, Hunter Cole, USAF  
Airman 1st Class Skylar Hampton  
1st Lt. Pilot Michael Dupliesse  
2nd Lt. Jared Carlson

## **Parish Monthly Devotion for April: *The Blessed Sacrament***

In these difficult days, even though we can not receive Jesus physically, we can still unite ourselves to Jesus in The Blessed Sacrament spiritually.

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

—*Saint Alphonsus Liguori*



# Holy Week, Liturgically Speaking

A letter from Fr. Dillon

Dear Parishioners,

I know I've said it before, but I'll say it again: Holy Week is my favorite time of the liturgical year. I like its pace and the way that we are called to focus on a different aspect of our faith on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Having each of these liturgies stand apart for one day, in my view, gives us a chance to better take in the mystery and message that is placed before us on that day.

Holy Week begins with Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. In the past, we gathered outside for the blessing of Palms and the proclamation of the first Gospel. The procession of all present with palms raised, into church, as "*All Glory Laud in Honor*" was being sung, immediately put me in the right frame of mind for the entirety Holy Week.

Holy Thursday sets before us the institution of the priesthood and the Eucharist. As a priest, I always find the "*mandatum*" (washing of the feet) to be a humbling reminder of the life of service that I promised to take on my ordination day. Hopefully, it reminds all of us that we are called to serve our brothers and sisters and that no one should consider themselves to be above

servicing others. The solemn processional of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose with the choir singing "*Tantum Ergo*" and the congregation following, helps remind us that the Eucharist is always our focus in life. The Church tells us that the Eucharist is, "The source and summit" of our existence. Without the Eucharist, we do not have the fullness of life.

Good Friday -- with the starkness of the bare altar and the stillness of the simple entrance and beginning of the service -- reminds us of the solemnity that must be accorded

to this day. At the veneration of the cross, we are profoundly reminded of the sacrifice and price that was paid for our salvation. The cross is all the evidence we need of God's love for us. "No greater love does one have than to lay down one's life for one's friends."

It is my hope, as it is every year, that we will all take time to pray, ponder and reflect on the awesome events of Holy Week and through the opening of our souls to the presence of the Lord, be renewed and enlivened in the mystery of faith that is made real in these sacred days.



## Sign Up to Attend Mass

Masses are reaching capacity and walk-ins may not be allowed to enter. The link to sign up can be found here:

**Website:** Go to [www.olv.org](http://www.olv.org)

- At top of page, click on "March Sign-ups"
- At the far left, click on SignUpGenius.com
- Click on the Mass you want to attend
- Then, at the bottom, click on "Submit."
- Put in your name and email and click "Sign Up Now" then you're all set!

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### Weekly Offertory: Mar. 15-21, 2021

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## Please Pray for Confirmation and Holy Communion Candidates

As we head into Spring, let us pray for our Confirmation Candidates, their parents, and Catechists. Confirmations are planned for April 23, 24, and 30

Also, keep our First Holy Communion students, their families, and Catechists in your prayers. First Communions are planned for May 1 and May 8.

### Let us pray...

*God, through these Sacraments you have filled us with the desire to become faithful Christians.*

*As we continue to grow in wisdom and knowledge, we ask that you remain with us, that you respond to our hopes, that you answer our prayers.*

*We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## Reserve a Mass for a Loved One

### Remember Them in a Special Way

You may book Mass intentions for 2021 through **December** by calling the Rectory Office at (203) 934-6357. Donations for daily Mass intentions are \$15; weekend Masses, \$25.

#### Available Weekend Masses:

*Masses available June-December*

4:30 PM Saturday Vigil,

Sundays at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

**Weekdays at 7:30 am**

*Many Masses available through December.*

#### The Sanctuary Candle is Available:

4/18, 5/30, 6/6;

*Also, many weeks through December.*

## Please Make A Note of This Important Event

## DRIVE-THROUGH FOOD COLLECTION to benefit W.H.E.A.T.

*Saturday, April 10, 9 am – 12 noon*



### CURRENT NEEDS

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# The Gospel of Jesus Christ

By Deacon Frank Bevvino

At some point, many of us have wondered about the people living in the villages where Jesus traveled during His time here on Earth. Who were they? What did they think? How did they feel about His crucifixion?

Communication, as we know it, didn't exist; perhaps there were some stories about a man proclaiming to be God's Son. We hear in the Gospels about specific people only and virtually nothing regarding Jesus' family members or friends. It's quite possible that most people were not aware of Jesus during His life and ministry. He lived during a period of military dictatorship by the Romans. Historians liken the region as a "third world" environment. Poverty and disease were common, and most people worked day to day to provide the necessities.

We know so little about the people because it was unnecessary to be documented in the Gospels. It was not that the people were unimportant, but the Gospel writers each had a different purpose in writing about Jesus. Mark's, the first of the Gospels and the shortest, is written clearly for those Greeks who came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God. Matthew's Gospel is written for those Jews who came to believe that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah. Luke's Gospel is not directed at any specific group but is told to relay the stories of Jesus' ministry to stir the heart of the reader. John's Gospel is the more poetic and lyrical and is written to show God's glorification of Jesus.

All four of the Gospels share similar stories and same basic outline surrounding Jesus' life and ministry: Jesus begins his public ministry in conjunction with that of John the Baptist, calls disciples, teaches, heals, confronts the Pharisees, dies on the cross, and is raised from the dead. Each of the authors had a distinctive point to make in writing what they did.

What we do know is the sense of abandonment Jesus felt. All four Gospels provide us with details of Jesus' awareness of His impending death. Many times, in each of them, He prepares

His followers of what is to come. Each time, the response of His followers shows a lack of understanding and in some cases a desire to stand with Him as He is to be "glorified." Ultimately, as the time comes closer, the Gospels give us a clear picture of Jesus as very human and fully aware of the agony and torture He must endure.

What makes the Gospels so vital to our own faith journey is the obedience and trust to the will of the Father. Jesus' obedience to God draws us to the complete understanding that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Light.

While the people of Jesus' time may be invisible and mostly out of sight, it is the appearance of Jesus after His horrific death that caused people not only in His village but of the world to become aware of this man who defied death with a promise of Eternal life. Even after 2,000 years, these events have a profound effect on those who read them and take to heart their words.

## Sunday's Readings: March 21

*"...This Word of God proclaimed in the liturgy possesses a special sacramental power to bring about in us what it proclaims. ...*

*How, then, do we respond to this wonderful gift of God's Word? We respond in word and song, in posture and gesture, in silent meditation and, most important of*

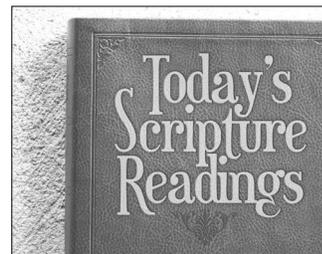
*all, by **listening attentively** to that Word as it is proclaimed." -- General Instruction of the Roman Missal, United States Catholic Conference of Bishops.*

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1-15:47 [15:1-39]).





*Because of health guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we are unable to sing from the pews. The next few pages serve as your hymn book so you can follow along in silent, musical prayer.*

## OPENING SONG: SING HOSANNA TO OUR KING

### REFRAIN

Musical notation for the Refrain in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics: "Sing Ho - san - na to our King! Sing Ho - san - na to our King! Sing Ho - san - na to our King, - all the earth! Sing Ho - san - na!"

Sing Ho - san - na to our King! Sing Ho - san - na to our King!

— Sing Ho - san - na to our King, - all the earth! —

*To Verses* | *Final*

— Sing Ho - san - na!

John Angotti  
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## KYRIE

Mass XVI, Chant, Mode III

Musical notation for the Kyrie in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is a simple, rhythmic chant with lyrics: "Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son."

Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son.

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Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son.

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# PSALM 22: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, ALL YEARS



R. My God, my God, why have you a - ban - doned me?

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## LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION NO. IX-A



R. Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

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## OFFERTORY:

### WERE YOU THERE

WERE YOU THERE



- |  |          |
|--|----------|
| 1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? | Were you |
| 2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  | Were you |
| 3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?    | Were you |



- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| 1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? | Oh! |
| 2. there when they nailed him to the tree?  | Oh! |
| 3. there when they laid him in the tomb?    | Oh! |



1-3. Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



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|----|---|
| 1. | Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? |
| 2. | Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  |
| 3. | Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?    |

Text: 10 10 14 10. Text and music: African American Spiritual

# COMMUNION:

Good Friday

1. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ  
who redeems us with his blood.  
Let us tell the story of the cross of Christ  
and the pow'r of his saving love.  
Like a lamb he was slain;  
he carried our shame,  
to show us the mercy of God.  
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ  
and the triumph of God's great love.
2. Let us bring our burdens  
to the cross of Christ  
who has known our sorrow and tears.  
In the great compassion of  
the heart of Christ,  
God has walked in our hopes and fears.  
He was mocked and betrayed,  
deserted by friends, and banished  
to die among thieves.  
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ  
and the triumph of God's great love.
3. Let us kneel in homage at  
the cross of Christ  
where we see God's human face.  
We behold the Maker of the sun and stars  
as he hangs on the throne of grace.  
As we share in his pain,  
his sorrow and shame,  
our hearts will be tested in fire.  
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ  
and the triumph of God's great love.

# CLOSING SONG:

## O SACRED HEAD, SURROUNDED

PASSION CHORALE



- 1a. O Sa - cred Head, sur-round-ed By crown of pierc-ing thorn!
- 2a. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep-herd, think of me
- 3a. What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank you, dear - est friend,
- \*1b. O Sa - cred Head, sur-round-ed By crown of pierc-ing thorn!
- 2b. O Love, all love tran-scend-ing, O Wis - dom from on high!
- 3b. O Je - sus, we a - dore thee, Up - on the cross our King!



- 1a. O bleed-ing Head, so wound-ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!
- 2a. With your most kind com - pas - sion, Un - worth - y though I be:
- 3a. For this, your dy - ing sor - row, Your mer - cy with - out end?
- 1b. O bleed-ing Head, so wound-ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!
- 2b. O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, Sur - ren - dered up to die!
- 3b. We hum - bly bow be - fore thee, And of thy vic - t'ry sing!



- 1a. The pow'r of death comes o'er you, The glow of life de - cays,
- 2a. Be - neath your cross a - bid - ing, For - ev - er would I rest,
- 3a. Lord, make me yours for - ev - er, A loy - al ser - vant true,
- 1b. No come - li - ness or beau - ty Thy wound-ed face be - trays,
- 2b. Was e'er a love so won - drous! That from his heav'n - ly throne
- 3b. Thy cross is our sal - va - tion, Our hope from day to day,



- 1a. Yet an - gel hosts a - dore you, And trem - ble as they gaze.
- 2a. In your dear love con - fid - ing, And with your pres - ence blest.
- 3a. And let me nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love for you.
- 1b. Yet an - gel hosts a - dore thee And trem - ble as they gaze.
- 2b. God should de - scend a - mong us To suf - fer for his own.
- 3b. Our peace and con - so - la - tion When life shall fade a - way.

Text: 76 76 D; *Salve caput cruciatum*; ascr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153.  
Verses 1, 2 tr. by Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877, alt.; verse 3 tr. by James W. Alexander, 1804–1859, alt.  
Alternate verses: verse 1 tr. by Henry W. Baker, alt.; verse 2, Owen Alstott; verse 3, Owen Alstott, composite.  
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