

Daily Prayer for
Reflection
Palm/Passion Sunday
with Holy Week
Revised Common Lectionary
Year A

Prayers are written by the RCL specifically
for the Palm/Passion Sunday
and Holy Week scripture texts.

[Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29](#) • [Matthew 21:1-11](#)

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew 27:11-54](#)

*Image information may be found at the
end.*



Palm/Passion Sunday, Year A

*Giver of light...
Open our hearts to the
Blessed One who comes
so humbly,
on a borrowed colt.
Open before us the
gates of your justice,
that we may enter,
confessing in heaven
and on earth
that Jesus is Lord.*

[Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29](#) • [Matthew 21:1-11](#)



Monday of Holy Week, Year A

*God of steadfast love,
light of the blind and liberator
of the oppressed,
we see your holy purpose in the
tender compassion of Jesus,
who calls us into new and living
friendship with you.
May we be filled with the grace
of his tender caring.*

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew](#)

[27:11-54](#)



Tuesday of Holy Week, Year A

*Awaken us to the suffering
of those around us;
save us from hiding in
denials or taunts that
deepen the hurt. Teach us
to follow the One
whose light scatters the
darkness of our world,
that we may walk as
children of the light.*

Isaiah 50:4-9a • Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

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



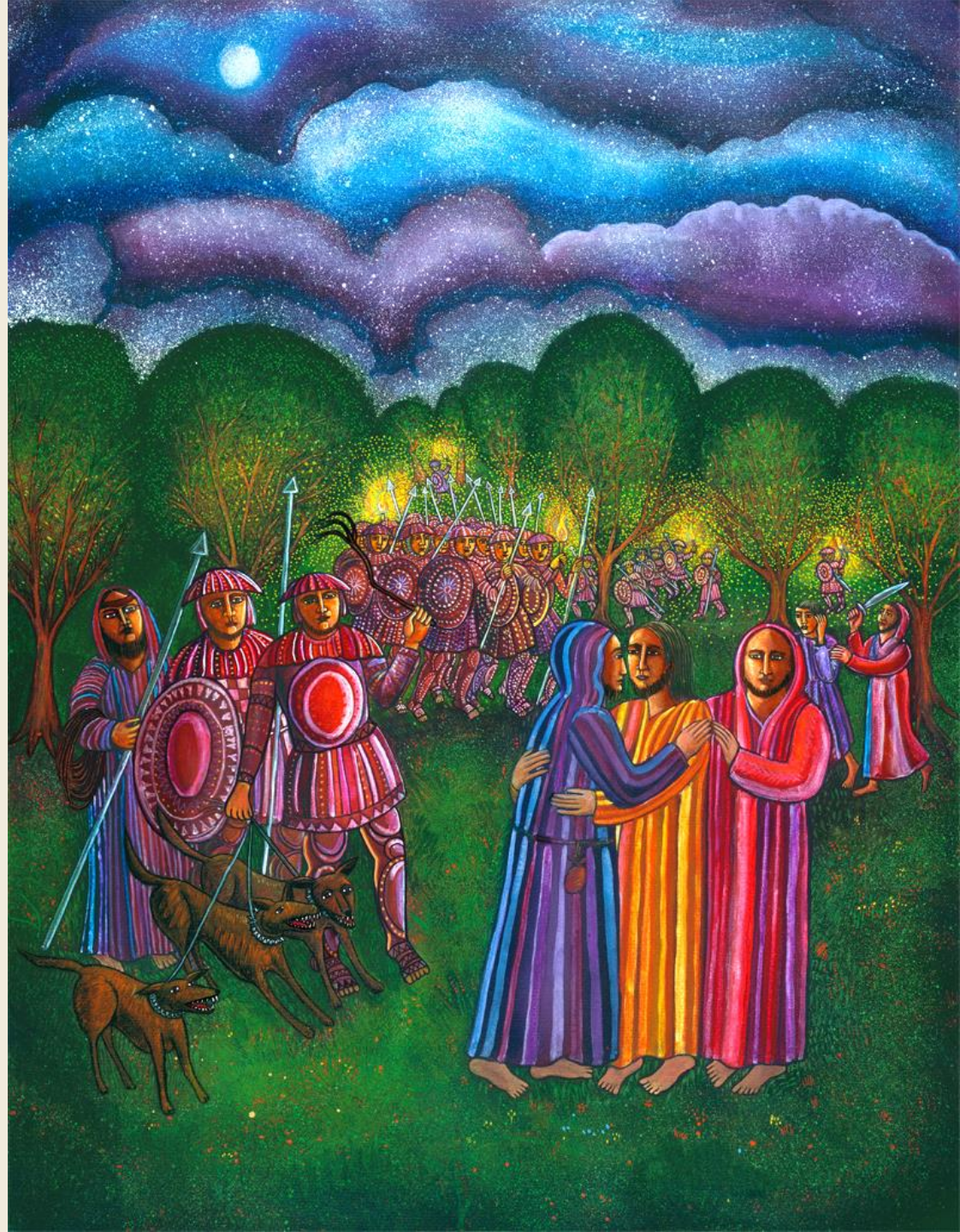
Wednesday of Holy Week, Year A

Troubled God,
in every generation
you call your people to
contend
against the brutality of sin
and betrayal.
Keep us steadfast even in
our fear and uncertainty,
that we may follow where
Jesus has led the way.

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew 27:11-54](#)



Maundy Thursday, Year A --

*Eternal God, in the sharing of
a meal
your son established a new
covenant for all people,
and in the washing of feet
he showed us the dignity of
service.*

*Grant that by the power of
your Holy Spirit
these signs of our life in faith
may feed our spirits, and
refresh our bodies. Amen.*

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew 27:11-54](#)



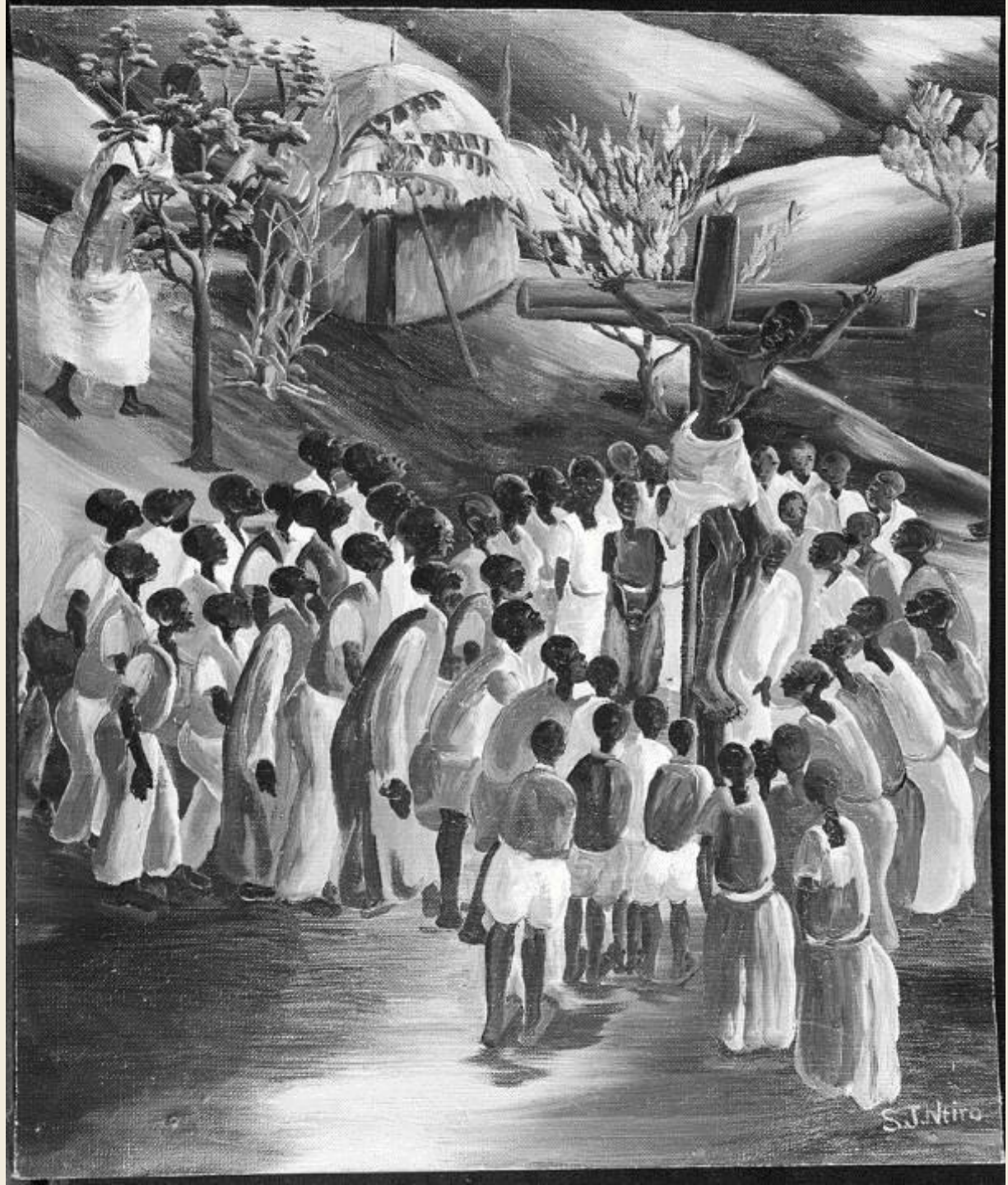
Good Friday, Year A

*Grieving God, on the cross
your Son embraced death
even as he had embraced life:
faithfully and with good courage.
Grant that we who have been
born out of his wounded side
may hold fast to our faith in him
exalted and may find mercy in all
times of need.*

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew 27:11-54](#)



Holy Saturday, Year A

*Eternal God, rock and refuge:
with roots grown old in the earth,
river beds run dry,
and flowers withered in the field,
we wait for revival and release.
Abide with us
until we come alive
in the sunrise of your glory. Amen.*

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#) • [Psalm 31:9-16](#)

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

[Matthew 26:14-27:66](#) or [Matthew 27:11-54](#)





Prayers are reproduced from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, copyright © 2002 Consultation on Common Texts. Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission. Art image descriptions can be found at the Art in the Christian Tradition image library, a service of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/>. All images available via Creative Commons 3.0 License.

Peter's Denial, Adam de Coster -- https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Adam_de_Coster_-_The_Denial_of_Saint_Peter.jpg

Entry into the City, John August Swanson -- www.JohnAugustSwanson.com - copyright 1990 by John August Swanson

Anointed, Lauren Wright Pittman -- Lauren Wright Pittman, <http://www.lewpstudio.com/>

Ecce Homo, Hieronymus Bosch -- https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Ecce_homo_by_Hieronymus_Bosch.jpg

Kiss of Judas, John August Swanson -- Estate of John August Swanson, <https://www.johnaugustswanson.com/>

Jesus Washing the Peter's Feet, Ford Madox Brown -- https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Jesus_washing_Peter%27s_feet.jpg

Kakindo Crucifixion, Sam J. Ntiro -- http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:%22Kakindo_Crucifixion%22_-_NARA_-_558948.tif

Descent from the Cross, 13th c. ivory -- <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=31721>