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Brother Priests:

**FIRST:** Today Governor DeWine announced that the stay-at-home order already in place will now be extended. With this in mind please read carefully the attached statement from the Catholic Conference of Ohio.

**SECOND:** The Congregation for Divine Worship has promulgated a new Mass Formulary: "In Time of Pandemic." Information on this is also attached is several PDF documents from the USCCB. With Palm Sunday, Holy Week, the Sacred Triduum, Easter and the Easter Octave quickly approaching, there are two days whereby you could celebrate this Mass In Time of Pandemic -- April 3 and 4. I would encourage you to celebrate this Mass on these two days.

Let us continue to pray for one another during these times, and let us pray a prayer composed by Saint Francis de Sales, the patron saint of our Columbus Diocese:

*Do not look forward in fear to the changes and chances of this life;  
Rather, look to them with full confidence that, as they arise,  
God, to whom you belong will in His love enable you to profit by them.  
He has guided you thus far in life, and He will lead you safely through all trials;  
and when you cannot stand it, God will bury you in His arms.*

*Do not fear what may happen tomorrow;  
the same everlasting Father who cares for you today  
will take care of you then and every day.  
He will either shield you from suffering,  
or will give you unfailing strength to bear it.*

*Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations. Amen.*

Fraternally,

Bishop Brennan

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# CATHOLIC CONFERENCE OF OHIO

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April 2, 2020

## **Catholic Bishops of Ohio Extend Suspension of All Publicly Celebrated Masses/Liturgies**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today (April 2, 2020) Governor Mike DeWine extended the executive “Stay at Home Order” to continue to curb the spread of the Coronavirus in the State of Ohio. Out of deep concern for the common good, as well as the physical and spiritual well-being of all the people of Ohio, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio have agreed once again to cooperate with the governor’s direction.

To that end, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio extend the temporary suspension of all publicly celebrated Masses/liturgies at least through and including Sunday May 3rd. The Bishops of Ohio dispense the Catholic faithful who reside in their respective dioceses and all other Catholics currently in Ohio from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass during this time period.

This decision has not been taken lightly and, as your bishops, together with you, we recognize the sacrifice we are called to make by being physically distanced from the Holy Eucharist and from one another.

Trusting in the graces flowing from the celebration of the passion, death and resurrection of Our Lord, we remain mindful of the hope that does not disappoint. As your bishops, we continue to encourage you to keep holy the Lord’s Day by participating in Sunday Mass by way of televised, live-streamed, or radio broadcast options and making a spiritual communion. Keeping in mind the gift of plenary indulgences offered to us by the Church, we encourage all the faithful to turn to the Church’s treasury of prayer, praying as a family or individually the rosary, divine mercy chaplet, the Liturgy of the Hours and Stations of the Cross, etc.

Please join us in praying for all who are suffering from the Coronavirus, for all health care workers and first responders, and for an easing of the anxiety and tension caused by this pandemic. Relying on the Motherly care of Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we unite our sufferings to those of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and we trust in the glorious hope of His resurrection.

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### MEMORANDUM

To: All Bishops  
From: Rev. Andrew Menke  
Director, USCCB Secretariat for Divine Worship  
Date: April 1, 2020  
Re: CDW Resources: sample Good Friday intercession and Mass formulary  
“In Time of Pandemic”

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Your Eminence / Your Excellency:

The Congregation for Divine Worship has promulgated two new resources for liturgical prayer in this difficult time:

- (1) **An intercession that can be used with the Solemn Intercessions on Good Friday.** The decree says that the Congregation “proposes an intention” – therefore, it still falls to the Diocesan Bishop to “permit or order the addition of a special intention” for this ceremony (*Roman Missal*, Good Friday, n. 13). The bishop could choose to use the text proposed by the Congregation, or the one previously sent out by the Secretariat, or one of his own choosing. A copy of the decree and the new text in English, Spanish, and Latin is being distributed to the bishops along with this memorandum.
- (2) **A new Mass formulary, In Time of Pandemic.** The usual guidelines for the use of Masses for Various Needs and Occasions apply to this Mass. Note that the rubric at the beginning of the Mass indicates days when it may *not* be used; otherwise permission for its use is generous. A copy of the decree and the new texts in English, Spanish, and Latin is being distributed to the bishops along with this memorandum.

Since the material from the Holy See included only a list of the readings to be used with this new Mass formulary, the Secretariat for Divine Worship has prepared files with the readings in English and Spanish. Those readings are also being distributed with this memorandum.

Bishops are invited to share this material with their priests. Links to these files will also be posted soon to the USCCB website, together with many other resources for this time of crisis, at: [usccb.org/coronavirus](https://www.usccb.org/coronavirus).

Prot. N. 155/20

**DECREE**  
**on the special intention to be added to the Solemn Intercessions**  
**during the Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**  
**for the year 2020 only**

The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday this year has a particular significance because of the terrible pandemic that has stricken the whole world.

Indeed, on the day on which we celebrate the redeeming passion and death of Jesus Christ on the Cross, who like a slain lamb has taken upon himself the suffering and sin of the world, the Church raises her voice in prayer to God the Father Almighty for all humanity, and in particular for those who suffer most, while she awaits in faith the joy of the resurrection of her Spouse.

Therefore this Congregation, in virtue of the faculties granted to it by the Supreme Pontiff FRANCIS, availing itself of a possibility already granted in the Roman Missal to the Diocesan Bishop in a situation of grave public need, proposes an intention to be added to the Solemn Intercessions of the above mentioned celebration, so that the prayers of those who invoke him in their tribulation might reach God the Father and so that, even in their adversity, all can experience the joy of his mercy.

The text of the invitation and the prayer is attached to this Decree.

All things to the contrary notwithstanding.

From the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 30 March 2020.

Robert Card. Sarah  
*Prefect*

✠ Arthur Roche  
*Archbishop Secretary*

**FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**The Solemn Intercessions**

**IX b. For the afflicted in time of pandemic**

Let us pray also for all those who suffer the consequences of the current pandemic, that God the Father may grant health to the sick, strength to those who care for them, comfort to families and salvation to all the victims who have died.

**Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:**

Almighty ever-living God,  
only support of our human weakness,  
look with compassion upon the sorrowful condition of your children  
who suffer because of this pandemic;  
relieve the pain of the sick,  
give strength to those who care for them,  
welcome into your peace those who have died  
and, throughout this time of tribulation,  
grant that we may all find comfort in your merciful love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**R/. Amen.**

Prot. N. 155/20

**DECRETO**  
**sobre la intención especial para añadir en la Oración Universal**  
**durante la Celebración de la Pasión del Señor**  
**en el año 2020**

La Celebración de la Pasión del Señor en el Viernes Santo tiene este año una característica particular por la terrible pandemia que afecta al mundo.

En efecto, el día en el que celebramos la pasión y muerte redentora de Jesucristo en la cruz, que, como Cordero degollado, cargó sobre sí el dolor y el pecado del mundo, la Iglesia eleva súplicas a Dios Padre omnipotente por toda la humanidad, particularmente por los que más sufren, mientras espera con fe el gozo de la resurrección de su Esposo.

Por tanto, esta Congregación, en virtud de las facultades concedidas por el Sumo Pontífice FRANCISCO, haciendo uso de una posibilidad ya concedida en el Misal Romano al obispo diocesano en una grave necesidad pública, propone una intención para añadir en la Oración universal de la mencionada celebración, a fin de que lleguen hasta Dios Padre las súplicas de quienes lo invocan en su tribulación, para que todos sientan en sus adversidades el gozo de su misericordia.

Se une a este decreto el texto de la invitación y de la oración.

No obstante cualquier disposición contraria.

En la sede de la Congregación para el Culto Divino y la Disciplina de los Sacramentos, a 30 de marzo de 2020.

Robert Card. Sarah  
*Prefecto*

✠ Arthur Roche  
*Arzobispo Secretario*

## VIERNES SANTO EN LA PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR

### Oración universal

#### IX b. **Por quienes sufren en tiempo de epidemia**

Oremos también por todos los que sufren las consecuencias de la epidemia actual: para que Dios Padre conceda la salud a los enfermos, fortaleza al personal sanitario, consuelo a las familias y la salvación a todas las víctimas que han muerto.

**Oración en silencio. Prosigue el sacerdote:**

Dios todopoderoso y eterno,  
singular protector de la enfermedad humana,  
mira compasivo la aflicción de tus hijos  
que padecen esta epidemia;  
alivia el dolor de los enfermos,  
da fuerza a quienes los cuidan,  
acoge en tu paz a los que han muerto  
y, mientras dura esta tribulación,  
haz que todos  
puedan encontrar alivio en tu misericordia.  
Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.

**R/. Amen.**



CONGREGATIO DE CULTU DIVINO  
ET DISCIPLINA SACRAMENTORUM

Prot. N. 155/20

**DECRETUM**  
**de intentione speciali in Oratione Universali**  
**Celebrationis Feriæ VI in Passione Domini addenda**  
**pro anno MMXX tantum**

Celebratio Feriæ VI in Passione Domini hoc anno, ob terribile contagium universale quod totum orbem terrarum premit, peculiare momentum ostendit.

Nam, in die qua gloriosa passio et mors in cruce celebrantur Iesu Christi, qui, agnus immolatus, dolores ac peccata mundi tollit, Ecclesia Deo Patri omnipotenti preces offert pro toto humano genere, præcipue pro magis laborantibus, dum gaudium resurrectionis Sponsi sui devote exspectat.

Proinde hæc Congregatio, vigore facultatum a Summo Pontifice FRANCISCO tributarum, iuxta possibilitatem iam in Missali Romano Episcopo diocesano concessam in gravi necessitate publica, intentionem in Oratione Universali supradictæ celebrationis addendam proponit, ut ad Deum Patrem voces perveniant quærentium eum in tribulatione et omnes, etiamsi in adversitatibus, gaudium misericordiæ eius capere valeant.

Textus monitionis et orationis huic Decreto adnectitur.

Contrariis quibuslibet minime obstantibus.

Ex ædibus Congregationis de Cultu Divino et Disciplina Sacramentorum, die 30 mense martii 2020.



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**FERIÆ VI IN PASSIONE DOMINI**

**Oratio universalis**

**IX b. Pro tribulatis in tempore contagii**

Orémus et pro ómnibus qui præsentí morbo in pressúra pòsiti inveniúntur, ut Deus et Dóminus noster infirmis sanitátem reddat, vires concédatur eis qui ægrótos curant, famílias doléntes consolétur, vita functis plenitúdinem redemptionis præstet.

**Oratio in silentio. Deinde sacerdos:**

Omnípotens sempitérne Deus,  
humánæ infirmitátis singuláre præsidium,  
réspice benígnus languóres ómnium filiórum tuórum,  
qui hodiérnis tempestátibus dolóre premúntur,  
et grátia tua: álleva ægrotórum passiónes,  
vires concéde eis qui infirmos curant,  
ætérnam réquiem dona mórtuis,  
et per totum huius tribulatiónis spátium  
præsta, quæsumus, ut omnes consolatiónem  
in misericórdia tua inveníre váleant.  
Per Christum Dóminum nostrum.

**R/. Amen.**

Prot. N. 156/20

**DECREE**  
**on the Mass in Time of Pandemic**

*The plague that prowls in the darkness you will not fear* (cf. Ps 90, 5-6). These words of the psalmist are an invitation to have great faith in the steadfast love of God who never abandons his people in time of trial.

In these days, during which the whole world has been gravely stricken by the Covid-19 virus, many requests have come to this Dicastery to be able to celebrate a specific Mass to implore God to bring an end to this pandemic.

Therefore this Congregation, in virtue of the faculties granted to it by the Supreme Pontiff FRANCIS, gives permission to celebrate the Mass in Time of Pandemic, on any day except Solemnities, the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, days within the Octave of Easter, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), Ash Wednesday and the days of Holy Week (cf. *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, n. 374), for the duration of the pandemic.

The text of the Mass formulary is attached to this Decree.

All things to the contrary notwithstanding.

From the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 30 March 2020.

Robert Card. Sarah  
*Prefect*

✠ Arthur Roche  
*Archbishop Secretary*

**IN TIME OF PANDEMIC**

This Mass can be celebrated, according to the rubrics given for Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, on any day except Solemnities, the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, days within the Octave of Easter, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), Ash Wednesday and the days of Holy Week.

**Entrance Antiphon**

Is 53:4

Truly the Lord has borne our infirmities,  
and he has carried our sorrows.

**Collect**

Almighty and eternal God,  
our refuge in every danger,  
to whom we turn in our distress;  
in faith we pray  
look with compassion on the afflicted,  
grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners,  
healing to the sick, peace to the dying,  
strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders  
and the courage to reach out to all in love,  
so that together we may give glory to your holy name.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we offer  
in this time of peril.  
May they become for us, by your power,  
a source of healing and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Mt 11:28

Come to me, all who labour and are burdened,  
and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

O God, from whose hand we have received  
the medicine of eternal life,  
grant that through this sacrament  
we may glory in the fullness of heavenly healing.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Prayer over the People

O God, protector of all who hope in you,  
bless your people, keep them safe,  
defend them, prepare them,  
that, free from sin and safe from the enemy,  
they may persevere always in your love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Prot. N. 156/20

**DECRETO**  
**sobre la misa en tiempo de pandemia**

*No temerás la peste que se desliza en las tinieblas* (cf. Sal 90, 5-6). Estas palabras del salmista invitan a tener una gran confianza en el amor fiel de Dios, que no abandona jamás a su pueblo en el momento de la prueba.

En estos días, en los que el mundo entero está gravemente afectado por el virus Covid-19, han llegado a este Dicasterio muchas peticiones para poder celebrar una misa específica, a fin de implorar a Dios el final de esta pandemia.

Por eso, esta Congregación, en virtud de las facultades concedidas por el Sumo Pontífice FRANCISCO, poder celebrar la Misa en tiempo de pandemia, cualquier día, excepto las solemnidades y los domingos de Adviento, Cuaresma y Pascua, los días de la octava de Pascua, la Conmemoración de todos los fieles difuntos, el Miércoles de Ceniza y las ferias de Semana Santa (*Ordenación general del Misal Romano*, n. 374), durante el tiempo que dure la pandemia.

Se une a este decreto el formulario de la Misa.

No obstante cualquier disposición contraria.

En la sede de la Congregación para el Culto Divino y la Disciplina de los Sacramentos, a 30 de marzo de 2020.

Robert Card. Sarah  
*Prefecto*

✠ Arthur Roche  
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**EN TIEMPO DE PANDEMIA**

Esta misa se puede celebrar, según las rúbricas de las Misas y Oraciones por diversas necesidades, todos los días, excepto las solemnidades y los domingos de Adviento, Cuaresma y Pascua, los días de la octava de Pascua, la Conmemoración de todos los fieles difuntos, el Miércoles de Ceniza y las ferias de Semana Santa.

**Antífona de entrada**

Is 53,4

El Señor soportó nuestros sufrimientos y aguantó nuestros dolores.

**Oración colecta**

Dios todopoderoso y eterno,  
 refugio en toda clase de peligro,  
 a quien nos dirigimos en nuestra angustia;  
 te pedimos con fe que mires compasivamente nuestra aflicción,  
 concede descanso eterno a los que han muerto,  
 consuela a los que lloran,  
 sana a los enfermos,  
 da paz a los moribundos,  
 fuerza a los trabajadores sanitarios,  
 sabiduría a nuestros gobernantes  
 y valentía para llegar a todos con amor  
 glorificando juntos tu santo nombre.  
 Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

**Oración sobre las ofrendas**

Acepta, Señor, los dones  
 que te ofrecemos en este tiempo de peligro;  
 y haz que, por tu poder,  
 se conviertan para nosotros  
 en fuente de sanación y de paz.  
 Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.

**Antífona de comunión**

Mt 11,28

Venid a mi todos los que estáis cansados y agobiados, y yo os aliviaré, dice el Señor.

**Oración después de la comunión**

Oh Dios, de quien hemos recibido  
 la medicina de la vida eterna,  
 concédenos que, por medio de este sacramento,  
 podamos gloriarnos plenamente de los auxilios del cielo.  
 Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.

## Oración sobre el pueblo

Oh, Dios, protector de los que en ti esperan,  
bendice a tu pueblo,  
sálvalo, defiéndelo, prepáralo con tu gracia,  
para que, libre de pecado y protegido contra sus enemigos,  
persevere siempre en tu amor.  
Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.



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**DECRETUM**  
**de Missa in tempore universalis contagii**

*A peste perambulante in tenebris, non timebis* (cf. Ps 90, 5-6). Hæc psalmistæ verba exhortant ad fiduciam magnam fidelis caritatis Dei servandam, qui numquam populum suum in tempore tribulationis deserit.

His diebus, cum virus v.d. *Covid-19* graviter totum orbem terrarum arripit, ad hoc Dicasterium multiples pervenerunt petitiones ut Missa peculiaris ad finem huius universalis contagii a Deo impetrandam celebrari posset.

Hac de causa hæc Congregatio, vigore facultatum a Summo Pontifice FRANCISCO tributarum, concedit ut Missa in tempore universalis contagii celebrari possit omnibus diebus, exceptis sollemnitatibus, dominicis Adventus, Quadragesimæ et Paschæ, diebus infra octavam Paschæ, Commemoratione omnium fidelium defunctorum et feriis IV Cinerum et Hebdomadæ sanctæ (cf. *Institutio generalis Missalis Romani*, n. 374), quamdiu universale contagium perdurabit.

Formularium Missæ huic Decreto adnectitur.

Contrariis quibuslibet minime obstantibus.

Ex ædibus Congregationis de Cultu Divino et Disciplina Sacramentorum, die 30 mense martii 2020.



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## IN TEMPORE UNIVERSALIS CONTAGII

Hæc Missa celebrari potest, iuxta rubricas Missarum et Orationum pro variis necessitatibus vel ad diversa, omnibus diebus, exceptis sollemnitatibus, dominicis Adventus, Quadragesimæ et Paschæ, diebus infra octavam Paschæ, Commemoratione omnium fidelium defunctorum et feriis IV Cinerum et Hebdomadæ sanctæ.

### Ant. ad introitum

Is 53, 4

Vere languóres nostros ipse tulit  
et dolóres nostros ipse portávit.

### Collecta

Omnípotens sempitérne Deus,  
in omni perículo singuláre præsídiúm,  
qui fílios tuos in tribulatióne fide supplicántes exáudis,  
nobis propitiáre benígus, et præsta, quæsumus,  
defúntis réquiem ætérmam, solámen plorántibus,  
salútem infírmis, moriéntibus pacem,  
operántibus pro fratrum sanitáte robur,  
spíritum sapiéntiæ illis qui nos in potestáte moderántur,  
et ánimum ad omnes benévole accedéndi  
ut cuncti nomen sanctum tuum glorificáre valeámus.  
Per Dóminum.

### Super oblata

Súscipe, Dómine, múnera quæ,  
in hodiérnis perículis, tibi offérimus,  
et fac, quæsumus, ut, omnipoténtia tua,  
in fontem sanitátis pacisque convertántur.  
Per Christum.

### Ant. ad communionem

Mt 11, 28

Veníte ad me, omnes, qui laborátis et oneráti estis,  
et ego refíciam vos, dicit Dóminus.

### Post communionem

Deus, a quo recépimus  
vitæ ætérnæ medicínam,  
concéde, quæsumus, ut, per hoc sacraméntum  
de cæléstis remédii plenitúdine gloriémur.  
Per Christum.

## Oratio super populum

Protéctor in te sperántium, Deus,  
bénedic pópulum tuum, salva, tére, dispóne,  
ut, a peccátis liber, ab hoste secúrus,  
in tuo semper amóre perseveret.  
Per Christum.

## IN TEMPORE UNIVERSALIS CONTAGII

Assumi possunt lectiones Missæ In quacumque necessitate.

**LECTIO I** (OLM 938, n. 2)

**Lam 3**, 17-26: « *Bonum est praestolari cum silentio salutare Domini* ».  
Repulsa est a pace anima mea...  
*Omissis litteris hebraicis Vau, etc.*

**PS. RESP.** (OLM 940, n. 1)

**Ps 79**, 2ac et 3b. 5-7  
R/. (4b): *Illustra faciem tuam, Domine, et salvi erimus.*

*vel:*

**LECTIO I** (OLM 939, n. 2)

**Rom 8**, 31b-39: « *Neque mors neque vita poterit nos separare a caritate Dei* ».  
Fratres: *Si Deus pro nobis...*

**PS. RESP.** (OLM 940, n. 3)

**Ps 122**, 1-2a. 2bcd  
R/. (3a): *Miserere nostri, Domine, miserere nostri.*  
*vel* (2cd): *Oculi nostri ad Dominum, donec misereatur nostri.*

**V/. ANTE EV.** (OLM 941, n. 2)  
**VEL ALLELUIA**

**2 Cor 1**, 3b-4a: *Benedictus Pater misericordiarum et Deus totius consolationis, qui consolatur nos in omni tribulatione nostra.*

**EVANG.** (OLM 942, n. 2)

**Mc 4**, 35-41: « *Qui putas est iste, quia et ventus et mare oboediunt ei?* ».  
In illa die, cum sero esset factum, ait Iesus discipulis suis: *Transeamus...*

**MASS IN TIME OF PANDEMIC**  
**Readings from the *Lectionary for Mass***

Any readings from the Mass “In Any Need” (*Lectionary for Mass*, vol. IV, nos. 938-942) may be used, or:

First Option

**FIRST READING**

*It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.*

A reading from the Book of Lamentations

3:17-26

My soul is deprived of peace,  
I have forgotten what happiness is;  
I tell myself my future is lost,  
all that I hoped for from the LORD.  
The thought of my homeless poverty  
is wormwood and gall;  
Remembering it over and over  
leaves my soul downcast within me.  
But I will call this to mind,  
as my reason to have hope:

The favors of the LORD are not exhausted,  
his mercies are not spent;  
They are renewed each morning,  
so great is his faithfulness.  
My portion is the LORD, says my soul;  
therefore will I hope in him.

Good is the LORD to one who waits for him,  
to the soul that seeks him;  
It is good to hope in silence  
for the saving help of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 5-7

**R. (4b)** Let us see your face, Lord, and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken.  
From your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.  
Rouse your power. **R.**

O LORD of hosts, how long will you burn with anger  
while your people pray?  
You have fed them with the bread of tears  
and given them tears to drink in ample measure.  
You have left us to be fought over by our neighbors,  
and our enemies mock us. **R.**

**ALLELUIA VERSE  
AND VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

2 Corinthians 1:3b-4a

**[R. Alleluia, alleluia.]**

Blessed be the Father of compassion and God of all encouragement,  
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Second Option

**FIRST READING**

*Neither death nor life will be able to separate us from the love of God.*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

8:31b-39

Brothers and sisters:

If God is for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son

but handed him over for us all,

how will he not also give us everything else along with him?

Who will bring a charge against God’s chosen ones?

It is God who acquits us.

Who will condemn?

Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised—

who also is at the right hand of God,

who indeed intercedes for us.

What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine,

or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

As it is written:

*For your sake we are being slain all the day;*

*we are looked upon as sheep to be slaughtered.*

No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly  
through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,

nor angels, nor principalities,

nor present things, nor future things,

nor powers, nor height, nor depth,

nor any other creature will be able to separate us

from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 123:1-2ab, 2cdef

**R.** (3a) Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

**Or:**

**R.** (2ef) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

To you I lift up my eyes  
who are enthroned in heaven.  
Behold, as the eyes of servants  
are on the hands of their masters. **R.**

As the eyes of a maid  
are on the hands of her mistress,  
So are our eyes on the LORD, our God,  
till he have pity on us. **R.**

**ALLELUIA VERSE  
AND VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

2 Corinthians 1:3b-4a

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Primera opción

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*Es bueno esperar en silencio la salvación del Señor.*

Lectura del libro de las Lamentaciones

3, 17-26

Me han arrancado la paz  
y ya no me acuerdo de la dicha.  
Pienso que se me acabaron ya las fuerzas  
y la esperanza en el Señor.

Fíjate, Señor, en mi pesar,  
en esta amarga hiel que me envenena.  
Apenas pienso en ello,  
me invade el abatimiento.  
Pero, apenas me acuerdo de ti,  
me lleno de esperanza.

La misericordia del Señor nunca termina  
y nunca se acaba su compasión;  
al contrario, cada mañana se renuevan.  
¡Qué grande es el Señor!

Yo me digo:  
“El Señor es la parte que me ha tocado en herencia”  
y en el Señor pongo mi esperanza.  
El Señor es bueno con aquellos que en él esperan,  
con aquellos que lo buscan.

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Palabra de Dios.

## **SALMO RESPONSORIAL**

Salmo 80 (79), 2ac y 3b. 5-7

**R. (4b)** Señor, muéstranos tu favor y salvación.

Tú, que apacientas a Israel, escúchanos;  
desde tu trono de querubes, muéstrate;  
despierta tu poder, y ayúdanos. **R.**

¿Hasta cuándo, Señor, Dios de los Ejércitos,  
resistirá tu enojo a nuestras súplicas?  
Para nuestros vecinos somos  
objeta de disputa,  
y nuestros enemigos  
de nosotros se burlan. **R.**

## **ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO**

2 Corintios 1, 3. 4

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Lectura de la carta del apóstol san Pablo a los romanos

8, 31-39

Hermanos: Si Dios está a nuestro favor, ¿quién estará en contra nuestra? El que no nos escatimó a su propio Hijo, sino que lo entregó por todos nosotros, ¿cómo no va a estar dispuesto a darnoslo todo, junto con su Hijo? ¿Quién acusará a los elegidos de Dios? Si Dios mismo es quien los perdona, ¿quién será el que los condene? ¿Acaso Jesucristo, que murió, resucitó y está a la derecha de Dios para interceder por nosotros?

¿Qué cosa podrá apartarnos del amor con que nos ama Cristo? ¿Las tribulaciones? ¿Las angustias? ¿La persecución? ¿El hambre? ¿La desnudez? ¿El peligro? ¿La espada?

Como dice la Escritura: *Por tu causa estamos expuestos a la muerte todo el día; nos tratan como ovejas llevadas al matadero.*

Ciertamente de todo esto salimos más que victoriosos, gracias a aquel que nos ha amado; pues estoy convencido de que ni la muerte ni la vida, ni los ángeles ni los demonios, ni el presente ni el futuro, ni los poderes de este mundo, ni lo alto ni lo bajo, ni creatura alguna podrá apartarnos del amor que nos ha manifestado Dios en Cristo Jesús.

Palabra de Dios.

## SALMO RESPONSORIAL

Salmo 123 (122), 1-2a. 2bcd

**R. (3a)** Ten piedad de nosotros, ten piedad.

**O bien:**

**R. (2cd)** Nuestros ojos están fijados en el Señor, hasta que se apiade de nosotros.

En ti, Señor, que habitas en lo alto,  
fijos los ojos tengo,  
como fijan sus ojos en las manos  
de su señor, los siervos. **R.**

Así como la esclava en su señora,  
tiene fijados los ojos,  
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### **MEMORANDUM**

To: All Bishops

From: Reverend Monsignor J. Brian Bransfield, General Secretary

Date: April 1, 2020

Subject: Congregation for Divine Worship Resources: Sample Good Friday Intercession and Mass Formulary “In Time of Pandemic”

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Your Eminences / Your Excellencies,

I take this opportunity to convey to you the enclosed memorandum from Reverend Andrew Menke, Executive Director of the USCCB Secretariat for Divine Worship, by which he conveys two new resources for liturgical prayer in this time which the Congregation for Divine Worship has promulgated.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this memorandum.