

St. Mark's Coptic Orthodox  
Cathedral - Toronto  
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ON L3R 5Z2

Children's Ministry  
Our Vision

+ Growing together  
in Christ



### Our Mission

+ To be rooted in Christ and the  
Orthodox Church.

+ To live the life of stewardship,  
fellowship and discipleship to  
Christ through serving others.



## Friday Eve of the Holy Pascha Gr. 4 - 5 and 6

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Main events: In the Garden**

After establishing the Holy Liturgy, our Lord Jesus took his disciples to the garden of Gethsemane and said, "Let's pray." But they all slept; so our Lord Jesus prayed to His Father. Jesus was ready to die because this was the will of the Father. He specifically came to the world to die for us. He told us this, that we may follow His example. We must do the will of God in our life.

Suddenly lots of voices were heard. It was Judas who came with those the soldiers to arrest Jesus. The disciples woke up from their sleep and were very afraid, so they fled.

Jesus asked the soldiers, "who do you seek?" and they said, "Jesus".

When the Lord responded, "I am He", they immediately fell to the ground.

### **Thursday: Getting Closer to the Cross**

*Fill in the missing space by using the words below.*

This evening's events include the-----, the Eucharist, the Final Message to the-----, prayer at Gethsemane, ----- Betrayal, and the round of trials.

In the 1st Hour, we read ----- from the same evangelist. For the rest of the Evening of Friday & Great Friday, for every hour, we read the -----from the 4 Gospels.



**3 Gospels - Last Supper - same readings - Judas's - disciples**

# Friday Eve Questions

## +First Hour

**+Prophecies:** "For, behold, I sent forth lethal \_\_\_\_\_ among you, which there are no charms. They shall \_\_\_\_\_ you mortally with the pain of your distressed heart." (Jeremiah 8: 15)

**+Psalm:** " \_\_\_\_\_ my prayer. O Lord, and let my cry come to \_\_\_\_\_. My enemies \_\_\_\_\_ me all day long, and those who \_\_\_\_\_ me swore against me." (Psalm 101: 1,8)

**+Gospel:** "I am the way, the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_. No one comes to the \_\_\_\_\_ except through Me." (John 14:6)

"This is My \_\_\_\_\_, that you \_\_\_\_\_, as I have \_\_\_\_\_ you. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's \_\_\_\_\_ for his friends." (John 15:12)

"But the \_\_\_\_\_, the Holy Spirit,, whom the Father will send in My name, He will \_\_\_\_\_ you all things, and bring to your \_\_\_\_\_ all things that I said to you." " \_\_\_\_\_ I leave with you, My \_\_\_\_\_ I give to you." (John 14:26)

## +Third Hour

**+ Prophecies:** "And I will \_\_\_\_\_ My great name, which was profaned among the nations, which ye profaned in the midst of them; and the \_\_\_\_\_ shall know that I am the Lord." (Ezekiel 36:23)

**+Psalm:** "O God, do not pass over my \_\_\_\_\_ in silence; for the mouth of the sinner and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the deceitful man opened against me." (Psalm 108:1,3)

**+ Gospel:** "But after I have been \_\_\_\_\_, I will go before you to \_\_\_\_\_." "Jesus said to him, Assuredly, I say to you that this night, before the \_\_\_\_\_ crow, you will deny me \_\_\_\_\_. Peter said to Him, Even if I have to \_\_\_\_\_ with You, I will I not deny You. And so said all the \_\_\_\_\_." (Matthew 26:34)

## Sixth Hour

**+Prophecies:** "You are the \_\_\_\_\_ not rained on, neither has \_\_\_\_\_ come upon you in the day of wrath." (Ezekiel 22: 23)

**+Psalm:** "And I waited for someone to \_\_\_\_\_ with me, but no one was there, and for \_\_\_\_\_, but I found not one ." (Psalm 58:1, 68:20)

**+ Gospel:** "O My Father, if it be possible, let this \_\_\_\_\_ pass from Me: nevertheless, not as I \_\_\_\_\_, but as You will"

(Note: Here *cup* means *difficult time or hardship*)

Jesus tells His disciples: "The \_\_\_\_\_ indeed is willing, but the \_\_\_\_\_ is weak." (Matthew 26: 36-46)

## Ninth Hour

**Prophecies:** "Their tongue is a wounding \_\_\_\_\_; , and the words of their \_\_\_\_\_ are deceitful. One speaks \_\_\_\_\_ to his neighbour, but has \_\_\_\_\_ in his heart." (Jeremiah 9: 6-10)

**Psalm:** We must be aware of people who look good from the outside but are evil from the inside: "Who speak \_\_\_\_\_ with their neighbours, but \_\_\_\_\_ is in their hearts... Let those who seek my soul be \_\_\_\_\_ and shamed" (Psalm 27: 3 & 34:4)

**+Gospel:** "And while He was still \_\_\_\_\_, behold, \_\_\_\_\_ one of the twelve, with a great \_\_\_\_\_ with swords and \_\_\_\_\_, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now his betrayer had given them a sign, saying, Whomever I \_\_\_\_\_, He is the One; seize Him." ( Matthew 26 : 47-58)

While being arrested, one of His disciples struck the servant of the high priest with a sword and cut off his right ear; but Jesus healed him:

"And He \_\_\_\_\_ his ear, and \_\_\_\_\_ him." (Luke 22: 47-55)

His disciples were very scared: "And they all \_\_\_\_\_ Him, and fled." ( Mark 14: 43-54)

## Eleventh Hour

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**+Prayer:** *My Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, when the Jews and the soldiers came to take You, Your disciples fled because they were afraid and no one tried to help You. O God, cast away all fear from my heart so that I would never flee. Give me the courage to face hardships and abide in You forever.*

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**+Meditation:** *Our Lord Jesus took His disciples to the garden of Gethsemane and said, "Let's pray." He wanted to teach us the importance and the power of prayer at all times, especially the time of tribulations. In the next few lines, talk about a time when you prayed to God asking for His help and He answered your prayer.*

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**+Biblical Reflection:** *Jesus asked the soldiers, "who do you seek" and they said, "Jesus". When the Lord responded, "I am He", they immediately fell to the ground. Why?*

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*Why didn't our Lord Jesus flee from the soldiers and the Jews when they came to arrest Him?*

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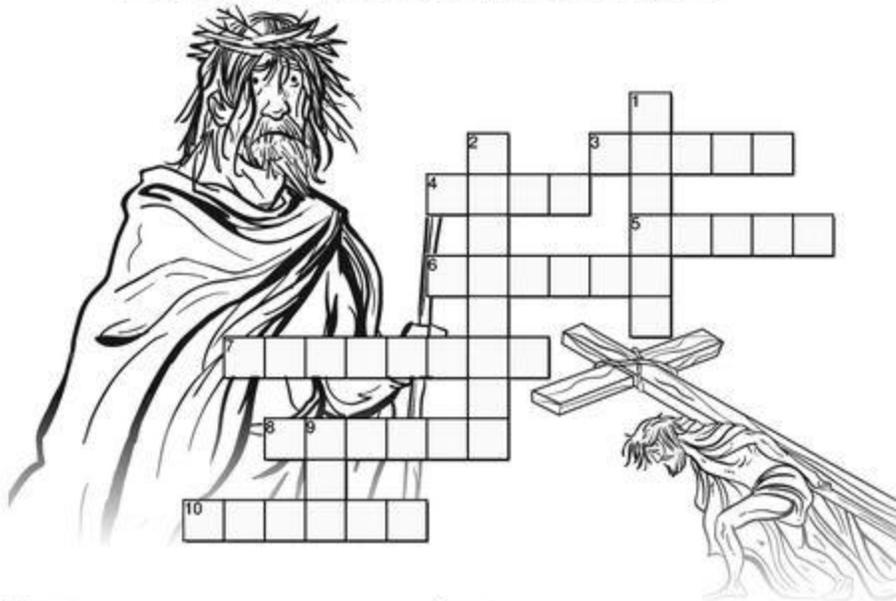
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**+Memorization:** *In His prayer in Gethsemane, our Lord Jesus taught us that we should always accept His will in our life just as He accepted His Father's will.*

*"Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done." (Luke 22:42) (memorize Jesus's prayer in Gethsemane*

# THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS

**Matthew 26:1-27:55,  
Mark 14:22-15:40;  
Luke 22:1-23:56; John 18:1-19:37**



## Across

- The disciple who betrayed Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jesus died for the \_\_\_\_\_ of everyone in the world.
- Who denied knowing Jesus?
- What was the Roman leader's name?
- Jesus was crucified on a hill called \_\_\_\_\_, which means 'Hill of the Skull.'
- Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the injured soldier.
- Jesus told his disciples that one of them would \_\_\_\_\_ him.

## Down

- During the festival of Passover, Jesus and his disciples had their last \_\_\_\_\_ together.
- Jesus's last words were 'It is \_\_\_\_\_.'
- When Peter was trying to protect Jesus from the soldiers he cut off the \_\_\_\_\_ of one soldier.



