



Jesus Is Condemned  
To Death  
By Pontius Pilate.

"What a spectacle! The Sovereign Lord at the tribunal of His creature, and innocence condemned by wickedness!

"I alone am to blame. Blind judge! He is holiness itself; I alone have committed the crime.

"O Jesus, Thou lettest Thyself be condemned to death without uttering a word of complaint, and I have not the courage to support a rash judgment, a slander, or a calumny!"

These are the words of the First Station of the WAY OF THE CROSS. From day to day the other stops along the road to Calvary-- the meeting of Mother and Son, Our Lord's compassion on the women of Jerusalem, the agony of the Crucifixion itself-- will be related in the Bulletin to help you recollect more vividly and especially more fruitfully how much God loves you and wants you to serve Him by trudging along the hard road to Golgotha.

It is only when you have been interiorly convinced that your soul is worth the Blood of a God; only when you thoroughly understand that a mortal sin makes void the Cross (as far as you are concerned) that you will have intellectual motive enough to prefer death, as the saints have always preferred it, to a single, deliberate, serious offense against the Commandments of God.

The Way of the Cross....

....is one of the most richly indulgenced pious practices in the devotional life of the Catholic Church. The Holy Fathers have, in fact, attached to it the same indulgences as to the Stations of the Holy Places in Palestine, that is to say, several plenary indulgences and numerous partial indulgences.

You cannot gain more than one plenary indulgence at a time for yourself, but very probably the rest may be applied to the souls in Purgatory and you would be wise, therefore, to form your intention accordingly.

There are no set prayers to be followed as you make your "mental pilgrimage" to the land of Our Saviour's sufferings, but to gain the indulgences you must be in the state of grace, must follow the fourteen stations meditating on the Passion, and say some prayers. \* \* \* One Fater, Ave, and Gloria after each station is a suggestion.

Completely Optional...

....and at the same time highly recommended is your practice of this devotion in Lent. ON FRIDAY EVENINGS THE STATIONS WILL BE SAID AFTER NIGHTPRAYER IN DILLON AND HOWARD (IN THE MAIN CHURCH AT 7 PM); DAILY IN WALSH AT 5:30 PM. \* \* \* Incidentally you will find in S I G N magazine for October 1939 an article explaining the First Station, entitled "Having Christ on One's Hands," by Passionist Father Damian Reid together with the first of a series of excellent wood cuts by Marie Barberis of Rome. It was the gracious editor of SIGN magazine who recently left several dozen sample copies of the Passionist National Monthly on the racks. By a special arrangement Father Theophane offers SIGN to Notre Dame men for 12¢ instead of 20¢ in lots of ten. See Fr. Lynch.

VERY SPECIAL PRAYERS; Bill Anderson (Morrissey), ruptured appendix; sp.int., CSC priest.