



*"Mary!" Thy faith was tried and true
In that dark morning hour
But now each year it blooms anew
Like blossom fresh with morning dew
A peerless Easter flower!*

PRAYER FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

O God of Mercy, Thou art our Father; we are Thy children. We believe in Thee, we hope in Thee, we love Thee!

We need Thee to protect us now because our country is at war. We are surrounded by dangers; dangers on land, dangers on the sea, and dangers in the air.

Those who are dear to us are in the midst of these dangers. They are fighting for us and fighting for the country we love. We do not know for certain where they are; but Thou dost know, Thou dost see them day and night, wherever they are and whatsoever they may be doing.

O Lord, protect them and care for them. If they are tired, give them strength. If they are wounded and suffering, give them comfort! If they are lonely, touch them with Thy gentle hand and let them know that Thou art near them just as Thou art near to us who pray for them.

Help our soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen. Help all who are serving our country. Give them quick minds and bodies that are always ready to act, to dare and to risk, and never afraid to die.

O God, our Father, be with them, and in them always, "To light and guard, to rule and guide." And if it be Thy will that they give their lives for their country and their homes, grant eternal rest and heavenly peace to their souls.

We pray, O Lord, for them all, living and dead, but we pray especially for those whom we now have in mind and for whom we have promised to pray.

Hasten the day, O God, when Thy children, of all races and nations, may be united in love and justice with one another under Thee, their Father in Heaven, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

SPY WEDNESDAY

Masses 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00 and 12:10 Noon
Confessions 2:00-6:00 and 7:00-10:00 P. M.
Rosary, Sermon and Benediction 7:30 P. M.

HOLY THURSDAY

Holy Communion 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, and 8:30 A. M.
Solemn Mass and Procession 9:00 A. M.
Public Adoration 12:00-12:30 P. M.
Adoration, Sermon and Litany 7:30 P. M.
Adoration all night with Knights of Columbus as
Guards of Honor.

GOOD FRIDAY

Mass of the Pre-Sanctified 9:00 A. M.
Tre Ore Devotion 12:00-3:00 P. M.
Stations of the Cross and Sermon 7:30 P. M.

HOLY SATURDAY

Services 8:00 A. M.
High Mass 9:00 A. M.
Confessions 2:00-6:00 and 7:00-10:00 P. M.

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses 5:30, 6:30, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12:00 A. M.
Solemn Mass 10:00 A. M.
Novena Services 7:30 P. M.

All sermons by
Reverend Father Cletus Brady, C.P.

If you are tempted to reveal
A tale some one has told
About another: make it pass
Before you speak, three gates of gold.

These narrow gates: first, "Is it true?"
Then, "Is it needful?" In your mind
Give truthful answer. And the next
Is last and narrowest, "Is it kind?"

*Pleasure without Christ is Calvary
Calvary with Christ is Paradise*

PAX VOBIS

This Easter still finds the whole world in turmoil and Christian hearts still crying "How long, O Lord, how long?" From His own dear promises and from experiences of the historic past we know that wars must have an end and that peace will come at last.

With Saint Teresa we must courageously surmount the difficulties of this world and bravely bear with equanimity the evils of this life: "Patient endurance overcometh all things."

Easter reveals the Triumphant Christ. By His conquest of death and His victory over the grave we may have hope. Let everyone receive Him in Holy Communion Easter morning and let everyone make His Church the most generous offering possible on that day.

Beg Him to grant you and the world the Peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ. Remember in your prayers and communions our loved ones in the service of our Nation and far from us this Easter. Ask the Risen Christ to protect them and bring them back safe to us. Ask Him to protect our Holy Father the Pope and the Holy City Rome.

May the Peace and Joy that you experience on this Easter Morn be a foretaste of the eternal Peace and Joy that God has prepared for those who love Him.

Your Devoted Priests of

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Fort Worth 1944

*An erstwhile sinner knocked at Heaven's gate,
Without the password dread.*

*"I know no countersign, save sorrow, Lord."—
"Pass in," our Saviour said.*