### *Via Lucis:* Way of Light for Children



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#### **Preparatory Prayer**

Dear Jesus, / our hearts are overflowing with joy. / You have risen from the dead! / We have walked with You / through Your Passion and Death. / Now we want to walk with You / remembering all the joy the early Church experienced / during all your Resurrection appearances. / Your Passion, Death, and Resurrection / has opened the gates of Heaven for me. / Engrave this joy upon our hearts, / and teach us to keep the Easter mysteries alive / in our hearts and actions every day of the year.

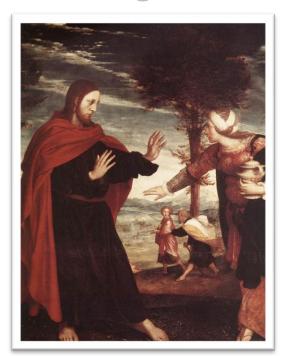
#### O Filii et Filiae

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Ye sons and daughters of the Lord, The King of glory, King adored, This day himself from death restored, Alleluia!



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2. SECOND STATION The Finding of the Empty Tomb

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#### 2. SECOND STATION The Finding of the Empty Tomb

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise You! R. Because by the Wood of the Cross and Light of the Resurrection You have redeemed the world.

John 20:1-10: Peter with the other disciple went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first, but he did not go in. Simon Peter came and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! And Magdalen and Salome And Mary, mother of James that day Came to anoint without delay, Alleluia!



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Matthew 28: 1-10: Now after the sabbath, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the sepulchre. There was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; Jesus is not here; for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Go and tell his disciples." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! That Easter morn, at break of day, Went holy women on their way To see the tomb where Jesus lay, Alleluia!





3. THIRD STATION Mary Magdalene Meets the Risen Jesus



4. FOURTH STATION Jesus Appears on the Road to Emmaus







5. FIFTH STATION Jesus is Known in the Breaking of Bread



6. SIXTH STATION Jesus Appears to the Disciples in Jerusalem

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Luke 24:13-27: Two of the disciples were going to a village named Emmaus. Jesus asked them, "What are you discussing?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then Cleopas, answered, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know what has happened?" Jesus said, "What things?" "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And he interpreted all the scriptures concerning himself.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! An angel clad in white they see, Who sat and spoke unto the three: "Your Lord has gone to Galilee," Alleluia!

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#### 6. SIXTH STATION Jesus Appears to His Disciples in Jerusalem

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Luke 24:36-43: Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you." But they were startled and frightened, and supposed that they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled? See my hands and my feet. Touch me, and see." And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! That night th'Apostles met in fear; Amidst them came the Lord most dear, And said "My peace be on all here," Alleluia!

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John 20:11-18: Mary stood weeping outside the tomb; she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She said to him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father."

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Of spices pure a precious store In their pure hands these women bore To anoint the sacred body o'er, Alleluia!

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### 5. FIFTH STATION Jesus Is Known at the Breaking of Bread

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Luke 24:28-35: As they drew near to the village, Jesus appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished. They rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. They told how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The dear belov'd apostle John, Could faster than St. Peter run, Arriving first before the tomb, Alleluia!

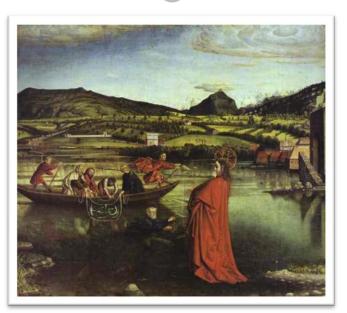


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John 20:24-29: Thomas was not there when Jesus came. The disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" He said, "Unless I place my hand in his side, I will not believe." Eight days later, Jesus came and said, "Peace be with you." He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! "My pierced side, O Thomas, see. My hands, my feet, I show to thee; Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia

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#### 10. TENTH STATION Jesus Tells Peter to Feed His Sheep (Primacy of Peter)

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John 21:15-17, 19: Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Peter said, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus replied, "Feed my lambs." A second time he asked, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter replied, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Tend my sheep." He said a third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter said, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! How blest are they who have not seen, Their Lord and yet believe in Him! Eternal life awaiteth them. Alleluia!

### 7. SEVENTH STATION Jesus Gives the Disciples the Power to Forgive Sins

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John 20:19-23: On the evening of that day, the doors being shut where the disciples were, Jesus came and said, "Peace be with you." He showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And then he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

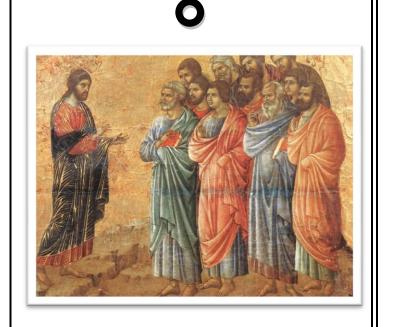
> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! When Thomas, first the tidings heard, How they had seen the Risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!

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#### 9. NINTH STATION Jesus Appears by the Sea of Tiberias

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise You! R. Because by the Wood of the Cross and Light of the Resurrection You have redeemed the world. John 21:1-14: They went fishing; but that night they caught nothing. Just at dawn, Jesus stood on the beach and said, "Children, have you any fish?" They answered, "No." He said, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat." So they cast it, and were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish. When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire, with fish and bread. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! When Thomas saw that wounded side, The Truth no longer he denied; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried, Alleluia



11. ELEVENTH STATION Jesus Commissions the Disciples on the Mountain



**12. TWELFTH STATION** Jesus Ascends into Heaven





13. THIRTEENTH STATION Mary and the Disciples Wait in Prayer



14. FOURTEENTH STATION The Holy Spirit Descends at Pentecost

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Acts 1:6-12: Jesus said to them: "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses to the end of the earth." As they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go."

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Our humble thanks to God let's show And fitting praise on Him bestow For Paschal blessings here below. Alleluia!

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#### 14. FOURTEENTH STATION The Holy Spirit Descends at Pentecost

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise You! R. Because by the Wood of the Cross and Light of the Resurrection You have redeemed the world.

Acts 2:1-8 (or 1-13): When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound came like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled the house. There appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. O sons and daughters of the Lord, The King of glory, King adored, From death to life has been restored. Alleluia.

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### 11. ELEVENTH STATION Jesus Commissions the Disciples on the Mountain

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Matthew 28:16-20: Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him they worshipped him. And Jesus came and said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! And we with Holy Church unite, As evermore is just and right, In glory to the King of light. Alleluia!

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#### 13. THIRTEENTH STATION Mary and the Disciples Wait in Prayer

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Acts 1:12-14: Then they returned to Jerusalem and went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! On this most holy day of days, To God your hearts and voices raise. In laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

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