



Walking Stations of the Cross Good Friday March 30, 2018

Join hundreds of Catholics from around the Catholic Diocese of Columbus. The many facets of faith and justice will be the focus of the annual Good Friday Walking Stations of the Cross. The walk begins with opening prayer with Bishop Frederick F. Campbell at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad Street, Columbus, at 8 a.m., Good Friday, March 30, 2018.

Participants stop at locations in downtown Columbus to pray and reflect on Jesus Christ's suffering and crucifixion linked to a current area of social concern. Locations include the Ohio Statehouse, Ohio Supreme Court, parks, hospital, homeless outreach, and much more.

For details, contact the diocesan Office for Social Concerns at (614) 241-2540 or the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at (614) 241-2565. **Open to all ages. See next page for a listing of sites along the Way of the Cross.**

The Way of the Cross

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Following a three-mile route, participants will walk throughout downtown Columbus to 14 specific locations at which they will pray and reflect on Jesus' suffering as he carried his cross to his crucifixion, linking the stations with various issues of social concern. The stations and prayer reflections along the walk route include:

1. **St. Joseph Cathedral's daily food distribution to the poor and homeless** – *Jesus is arrested and condemned to death* – the plight of the homeless;
2. **Topiary Garden in Old Deaf School Park** – *Jesus is made to carry his cross* – care for God's creation;
3. **Grant Hospital** – *Jesus falls for the first time* – gun violence, mental health, public health;
4. **Former abortion clinic** – *Jesus meets His Mother* – the injustice of abortion;
5. **Nazareth Towers** – *Simon carries the cross* – issues of the elderly;
6. **Holy Cross Church** – *Veronica wipes the face of Jesus* – discrimination in society and a focus on multiculturalism;
7. **St. Lawrence Haven** – *Jesus falls for the second time* – hunger and poverty;
8. **The park across from Greyhound bus station** – *Women of Jerusalem weep* – runaways, refugees, and human trafficking;
9. **Location of Columbus Commons in view of bank buildings** – *Jesus falls for the third time* – economic responsibility and joblessness;
10. **Ohio Supreme Court** – *Jesus is stripped of his garments* – justice;
11. **Downtown WBNS TV-10 and the Columbus Dispatch** – *Jesus is nailed to the cross* – using media and social media responsibly;
12. **Ohio Statehouse** – *Jesus is raised on the cross and dies* – for abolition of the death penalty;
13. **Ohio Statehouse Veterans Memorial** – *Jesus is taken from the cross* – peace;
14. **St. Joseph Cathedral** – *Jesus is laid in the tomb* – the Church and the need for Christ's presence in the world.