

### **1. Jesus is condemned to death**

Pilate said, “Look, here is your king.” But the people shouted, “Kill him, crucify him.” So Pilate allowed Jesus to be led away by the soldiers.

### **2. Jesus receives the Cross**

The soldiers beat him up, made fun of him. Then they laid a heavy cross on his shoulders. His whole body ached, he was so tired he could hardly walk.

### **3. Jesus falls for the first time under his Cross**

Jesus was so weak that he could not carry the cross. He fell to the ground. But the soldiers had no compassion, they pulled Jesus up and pushed him forward.

### **4. Jesus is met by his Blessed Mother**

Mary was following Jesus as he carried his cross. She must have remembered what the old prophet Simeon had said to her: “Mary, your sorrow over this child will be great. A sword will pierce your heart.”

### **5. Simon helps carry Jesus’ Cross**

Simon was a stranger from another country. The soldiers forced him to carry the cross.

### **6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus**

Veronica saw Jesus, and she ran forward to wipe the blood and sweat from his face. Whoever she was, she was being a friend to Jesus.

### **7. Jesus falls for the second time**

Jesus fell again under the weight of the cross. He felt humiliated, embarrassed, lying on the ground in front of so many people looking down at him.

### **8. The women of Jerusalem mourn for our Lord**

A huge crowd was following Jesus, including some women who were crying out and weeping for him. Jesus saw their tears and said to them, “Don’t cry for me. Cry instead for yourselves and your children.”

### **9. Jesus falls for the third time**

Once, twice, and now for the third time Jesus falls to the ground. He was now very weak but it was his faith in God that kept him going.

### **10. Jesus is stripped of his garments**

The soldiers cruelly ripped off his clothing. Jesus stood there stripped and humiliated, waiting to be nailed to the cross.

### **11. Jesus is nailed to the Cross**

The soldiers nailed Jesus to the cross. Soldiers and others mocked him saying: “You saved others, why don’t you save yourself?”

### **12. Jesus dies on the Cross**

Jesus shouted out, “Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.” At last, Jesus cried out again, “Father, it is now finished. I give my spirit to you.”

### **13. Jesus is taken down from the Cross**

A man named Joseph went to Pilate and asked for permission to remove the body of Jesus from the cross. He placed Jesus in Mary’s arms and together they wrapped the body in a linen sheet.

### **14. Jesus is placed in the tomb**

After they put the body of Jesus inside the tomb, they rolled over a large stone to cover the entrance to the tomb. Slowly and sadly, Mary went home.