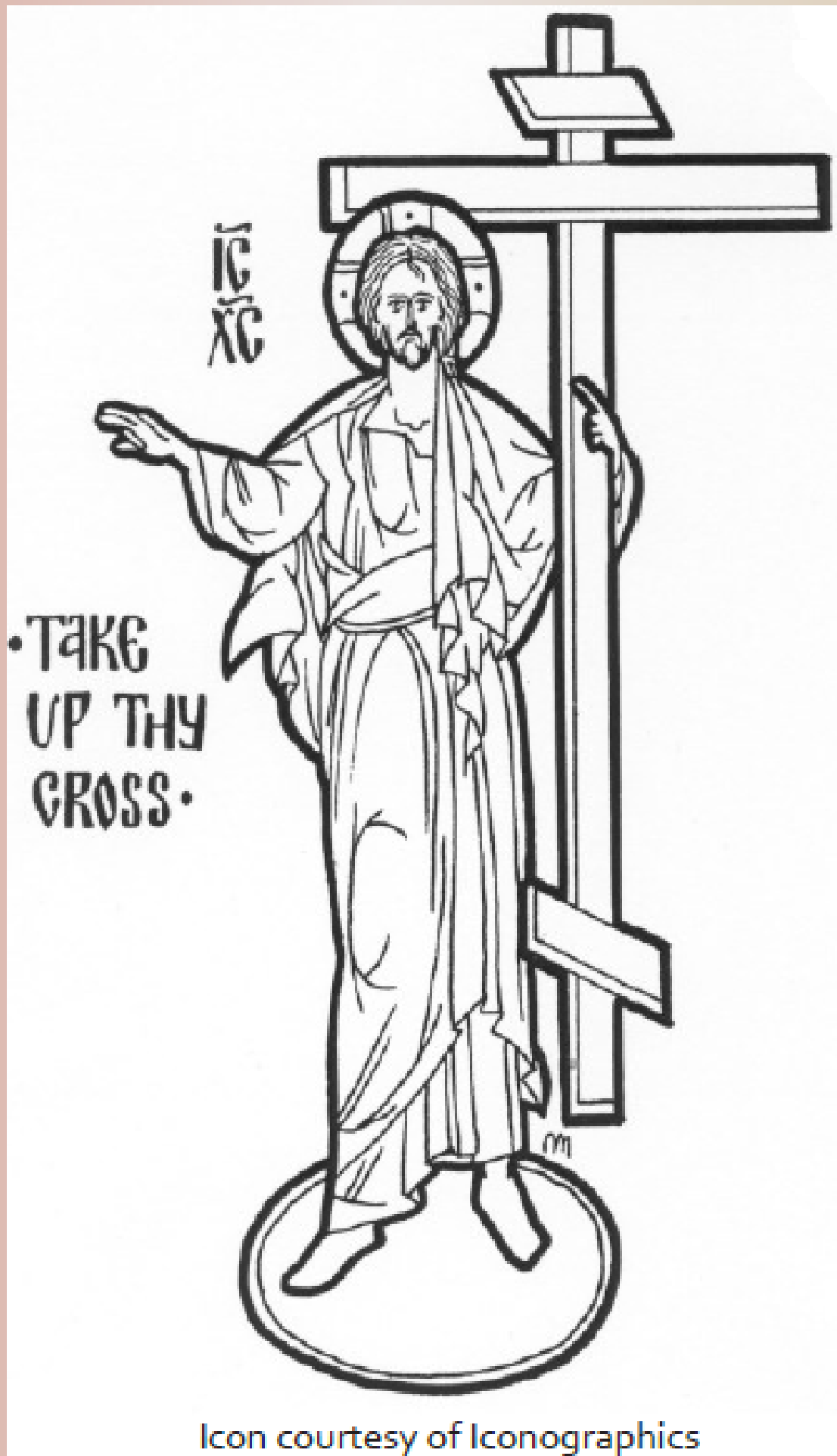


3rd Sunday of the Great Fast Veneration of the Cross

March 23, 2025



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Hebrews

4:14-5:5

THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE A GREAT HIGH PRIEST WHO HAS PASSED THROUGH THE HEAVENS, JESUS, THE SON OF GOD, LET US HOLD FAST TO OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH. 15 FOR WE DO NOT HAVE A HIGH PRIEST WHO IS UNABLE TO SYMPATHIZE WITH OUR WEAKNESSES, BUT ONE WHO HAS BEEN TESTED IN EVERY RESPECT AS WE ARE, BUT WITHOUT SINNING. 16 LET US THEN APPROACH THE THRONE OF GRACE WITH CONFIDENCE SO THAT WE MAY RECEIVE MERCY AND FIND GRACE WHEN WE ARE IN NEED OF HELP.

1 EVERY HIGH PRIEST IS TAKEN FROM AMONG MEN TO REPRESENT THEM IN THEIR DEALINGS WITH GOD, TO OFFER GIFTS AND SACRIFICES FOR SINS.[B] 2 HE IS ABLE TO DEAL PATIENTLY WITH THOSE WHO ARE IGNORANT AND MISGUIDED, SINCE HE HIMSELF IS SUBJECT TO WEAKNESS. 3 AND AS A RESULT OF THIS, HE MUST MAKE SIN OFFERINGS FOR HIMSELF AS WELL AS FOR THE PEOPLE. 4 MOREOVER, ONE DOES NOT ASSUME THIS POSITION OF HONOR ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, BUT ONLY WHEN CALLED BY GOD, JUST AS AARON WAS.

5 EVEN CHRIST DID NOT CONFER UPON HIMSELF THE GLORY OF BECOMING A HIGH PRIEST. RATHER, HE WAS APPOINTED BY THE ONE WHO SAID TO HIM:

“YOU ARE MY SON; THIS DAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU.”

Mark

8:34-9:1

He then called the people and his disciples to him and said to them, "Anyone who wishes to follow me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. 35 [b]For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the sake of the gospel will save it. 36 What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his very life? 37 Indeed, what can he give in exchange for his life?

38 "If anyone in this adulterous and sinful generation is ashamed of me and of my words, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

1 Then he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

Caught you Listening

○ Gospel: Mark 8: 34-9:1

True or False?

If any man would come after Jesus, he must be named Jesus. _____

Denying yourself and carrying your cross is a part of following Jesus. _____

If you give up your life for Jesus and the gospel, you will save money. _____

It is profitable to gain the whole world, even if you lose your soul. _____

A man can give \$100 in exchange for his life. _____

If you're ashamed of Jesus and his word, Jesus will be ashamed of you. _____

Jesus will come in the glory of his Father, along with holy angels. _____

Mark 8:34-9:1

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disciples

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angels

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death

deny

cross

amen

Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.

Items to Remember

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