

Prayer in Preparation for Chapter 2018

Week XXIII Theme: Passion

March 25 - 31, 2018

Grace: Compassion with Christ in sorrow

March 25	Mark 14:12-72	The Passion According to Mark
March 26	Mark 15:1-47	The Passion According to Mark: Part II
March 27	Luke 23:50-56	Jesus is Laid in the Tomb
March 28	Philippians 2:1-11	The Self-Emptying Love of Christ
March 29	II Corinthians 4:8-18	We Carry in us the Life and Death of Jesus
March 30	Psalms 116	You Have Delivered my Soul from Death
March 31	Review and Savor	

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Now is my misery full, and namelessly
it fills me. I am stark, as the stone's
inside is stark.
Hard as I am, I know but one thing:
You grew—
...and grew
in order to stand forth
as too great pain
quite beyond my heart's grasping.
Now you are lying straight across my lap,
now I can no longer
give you birth.

(Rilke's book: *The Life of the Virgin Mary*)

