

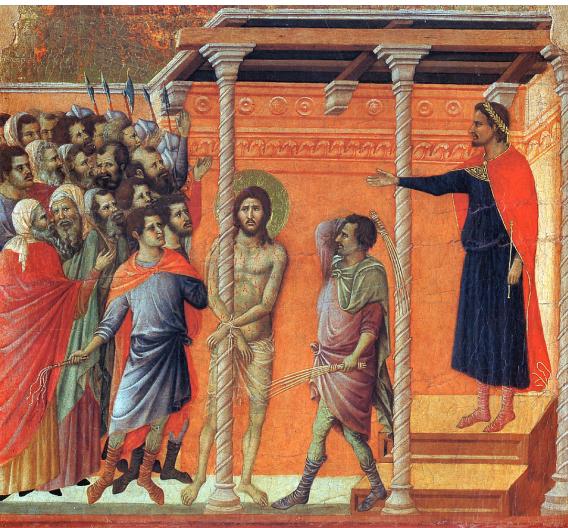
THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES



The First Mystery: The Agony in the Garden

Matthew 26.36–39

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, ‘Sit here while I go over there and pray.’ He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, ‘I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.’ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, ‘My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.’



The Second Mystery: The Scourging at the Pillar

Matthew 27.25–26

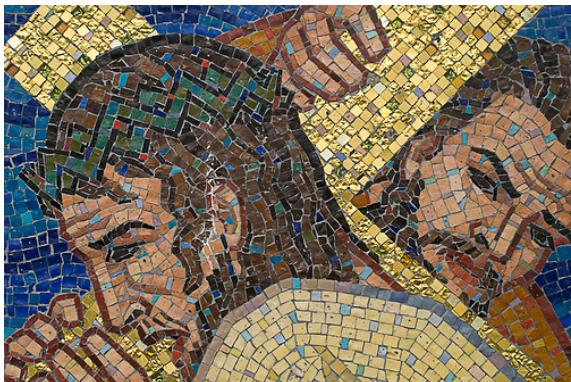
Then the people as a whole answered, ‘His blood be on us and on our children!’ So Pilate released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.



The Third Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns

Matthew 27.28–29

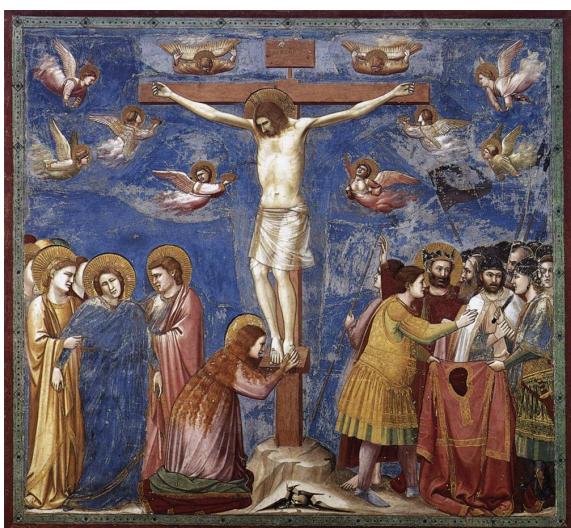
The soldiers stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, ‘Hail, King of the Jews!'



The Fourth Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross

John 19.16–18

Then Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.



The Fifth Mystery: The Crucifixion and Death

Luke 23.44–46

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, ‘Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.’ Having said this, he breathed his last.