

**40th Annual
Good Friday Pilgrimage for Peace**

**An online video prayer offering
April 10, 2020**



The Way of the Cross; the Way of the Migrant

Introduction:

The 40th Annual Good Friday Pilgrimage for Peace, sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Erie, is offered as an online experience.

The theme of this year's station, "The Way of the Cross; the Way of the Migrant," has become even more timely in recent weeks, as migrants face increased vulnerability during the global pandemic.

Format for Each Station:

- **Announcement of station and theme**
- **Refrain:** Open wide my arms,
that the suffering of the world may come in.
- **Scripture:**
- **Contemporary situation:**
- **Prayer/commitment statement:**
Give us hearts that break open
When our brothers and sisters turn to us
with the cry, "Will you let me in?"
- * **Refrain:** Open wide my arms,
that the suffering of the world may come in.

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Station 1

**St. Peter Cathedral—Jesus is condemned to death
"Muslim ban" dooms refugees to famine and war**

Station 2

**Emmaus Grove—Jesus is crowned with thorns
Drought/climate crisis drives migrants from their homes**

Station 3

**St Benedict Education Center—Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
US cuts admissions quotas as refugee camps overflow**

Station 4

**Social Security Office—Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem
"Public charge rule" punishes immigrants for poverty**

Station 5

**Federal Building—Jesus meets his mother
Migrants fleeing violence are refused asylum**

Station 6

**Fishing platform—Jesus falls 3 times
Failure to address climate crisis drives migration crisis**

Station 7

**Governor's Regional Office—Jesus is stripped of his garments
Immigrant families with children incarcerated in PA**

Station 8

**Intermodal Center—Jesus is nailed to the cross
Enhanced enforcement creates a culture of fear**

Station 9

**Mount Saint Benedict Chapel—Jesus dies on the cross
US immigration policies rupture families**

Credits:

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