First Station: Jesus is condemned to death.
I. “In the end, Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified” John 19:16

II. “We [her Brother William and his wife] accompanied her for a while on the train. When I asked her why she was returning willingly to Portugal, she looked at me and answered in a tone I shall never forget, ‘Because the people are so needy spiritually.’” (p. 113 Maria Droste)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom, Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Second Station: Jesus receives the Cross.
I. “Jesus was led away, carrying the cross…” John 19:16b

II. “Please don’t pray that my sufferings diminish; pray that by sacrifice and suffering the flames of love may become ever more ardent within me.” (p. 115)

Pause for reflection.

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**Third Station: Jesus falls the first time.**

I. “The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. He is near who upholds my right.” (Isaiah, 50:7-8a)

II. “Her character is truly just as you described it to me. It is difficult for her to adapt herself to the discipline of the school. Maria judges everything according to her own standards and does not take much account of her companions. However, a slight improvement is beginning to be seen.” (p. 17 - Superior at boarding school)

“The two and a half years I passed in school were for me years of grace…the example of the religious and the atmosphere of the school impressed me. This was the house of the Heart of Jesus…I learned to control my character because I began to understand that to love the Heart of Jesus without a spirit of sacrifice is only sentiment. I began to love and to look for sacrifices in order to unite myself only to Him.” (p.17-18)

*Pause for reflection.*

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**Fourth Station: Jesus meets His mother.**

I. “This child is destined to be the downfall and rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed—and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare.” (Luke 2:34b-35)

II. “The Lord will take a ray of love from His Divine Heart and give it to His Mother so that she can put it in your little heart. In the beginning this will be in your little heart as a tiny flame…until your little heart is all aflame with love for Jesus.” (p. 8 Letter From Uncle Monsignor)

*Pause for reflection.*

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**Fifth Station: Simon helps Jesus to carry His Cross.**

I. “As they led him away, they laid hold of one Simon the Cyrenean who was coming in from the fields. They put a crossbeam on Simon’s shoulder for him to carry along behind Jesus.” (Luke 23:26)

II. “Sometimes He looks at me as if He wants to say, ‘Do you want to leave Me alone to carry My cross without helping Me?’ Then I do not hesitate to add, ‘No! My Savior, I will suffer with you just as long as you want if this will lighten Your cross, especially the cross you are bearing for Portugal.’” (p. 126)

*Pause for reflection.*
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Sing:  Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,  
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Sixth Station:  Veronica wipes the face of Jesus.
I.  “Even as many were amazed at him — so marred was his look beyond that of man, and his appearance beyond that of mortals —”  (Isaiah 52:14)

II.  “These hours are, it is true, very difficult. For three weeks now I have been in bed without being able to do anything. Yet in these moments, I know who I am and I relish yet more knowing Him who is my Spouse. The thought ‘spouse of Christ’ makes everything sweet and light, even the thought of death and judgment. I know my judge; I hope in Him who will, through His great mercy, pardon all my sins. He cannot reject His spouse while I contemplate for the first time His divine face, something I have desired for so many years!”  (p. 114)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing:  Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,  
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Seventh Station:  Jesus falls the second time.
I.  “He was spurned and avoided by men, a man of suffering, accustomed to infirmity, one of those from whom men hide their faces, spurned, and we held him in no esteem.”  (Isaiah 53:3)

II.  “The oil of my life, which is my lamp, is consuming itself in bodily suffering, and certainly it is the fire of His divine love which is consuming my heart, which He Himself enkindled because I offered myself to Him as victim, and He has accepted the sacrifice…A desire to make reparation for sins committed against His Heart, as also a desire to suffer for the conversion of sinners, grew always within me.”  (p. 41, Oct. 1886)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing:  Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,  
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Eighth Station:  Jesus comforts the women of Jerusalem.
II. “There is no greater consolation than that of being able to care for a little lost lamb and imitating the loving and merciful Heart of Jesus. I have always recommended to Him these poor little ones. When I found one very rebellious, I would remind Him I was the spouse of His Heart; therefore, He must give this soul to me. It is to the Heart of Jesus alone that I attribute the good response I had from the girls when I was director…He never refused me, even though it might have cost me many sacrifices, many prayers and much suffering…the more impossible the conversion of a sinner seems, the more faith one must have in the Heart of Jesus.” (p. 71)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Ninth Station: Jesus fall a third time.
I. “All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads…be not far from me, for I am in distress; be near, for I have no one to help me.” (Ps 22:8;12)

II. “I chose November 21st for my entrance, and Our Lady let me go with her into the house of God. My most ardent desire was granted and yet I felt deeply the pain of the sacrifice I was making. How it cost me to leave my home, my dear poor, the people of the parish who were so good and who loved me so much, the chapel and the church where I had received so many graces! But the thought of becoming the spouse of the Heart of Jesus gave me the necessary strength to make this sacrifice.” (p. 51)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Tenth Station: Jesus is stripped of his garments.
I. “When they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among them by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him.” (Matthew 27:35-36)

II. “She had an extraordinary ability to bring about change in others. I knew many girls and women who were converted after living with her. Discovering often during the course of a conversation that the person or someone else was not on the right road, she would find a way to bring the person back to the Good Shepherd.” (p. 106)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.
Eleventh Station: Jesus is nailed to the Cross
I. “at the Place of the Skull, there they crucified him, and two others with him; one on either side, Jesus in the middle. Pilate had an inscription placed on the cross which read, Jesus the Nazorean The King of the Jews.” (John 19:17b-19)

II. “The doctor has already twice applied hot punctures, each time in different places on either side of my spine. Not being worthy to bear in my body, as have other spouses of Jesus Christ, the sacred stigmata, I have them at least thanks to this fire. Oh! That this might be the last purification of the gold. But, no! I must not speak like that. Other holy virgins because of their faith were burned by fire. I must bear this treatment in order to recover my health for the glory of God and for the good of souls in order to become a victim of love, not only in soul but also in body. What joy for the spouse! I cannot sing in chapel but there is a song only for those who follow the Lamb and neither sickness nor sorrow can prevent me from singing it. (p. 114)

Pause for reflection.

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Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Twelfth Station: Jesus dies on the Cross.
I. “When Jesus took the wine, he said, ‘Now it is finished.’ Then he bowed his head, and delivered over his spirit.” (John 19:30)

II. “Death did not seem imminent and Msgr. Ribeiro left, intending to return a few hours later. But quite suddenly Maria lost her speech. ‘I would like to receive Communion’ were her last words. With her profession crucifix in her hands, her gaze on a fixed point, from her lips there escaped what was almost a moan...’Ah!’...and then her face became radiant. From her eyes two tears fell, and her soul left her tortured body to go to the embrace of her spouse.” (p. 158)

Pause for reflection.

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Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom,
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.
Thirteenth Station: The Body of Jesus is taken from the Cross into Mary’s arms.
I. “Then, having brought a linen shroud, Joseph took him down, and wrapped him in the linen.” (Mark 15:46a)

II. “If only I could hear you once more repeat that it is truly permitted me to love, to suffer and to die as a spouse of Jesus Christ in every sense of that word, it would be for me a great consolation. I still have many doubts which come and go and which hold back my flight towards the Heart of Jesus, where I can rest as does the dove in the cleft of the rock.” (p. 115)

Pause for reflection.

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Fourteenth Station: Jesus is placed in the tomb.
I. “Nicodemus likewise came, bring a mixture of myrrh and aloes which weighed about a hundred pounds, They took Jesus’ body, and in accordance with Jewish burial custom bound it up in wrappings of cloth with perfumed oils. There was a garden and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had ever been buried…they buried Jesus there, for the tomb was close at hand.” (John 19:39-41)

II. “After our Lord returned to invite me to suffer in reparation for sacrileges, etc., He continued ‘The watchmen of Israel are sleeping and to make up for what is missing in their vigilance and Zeal I call you to prayer, to sacrifice, and to suffering. These will increase and you must prepare yourself for even greater ones.” (p, 136)

Pause for reflection.

All: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, Because by your holy Cross, you have redeemed the world.

Sing: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom, Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Return to places
All: Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled; My own eyes have seen the salvation Which you have prepared in the sight of every people, A light to reveal you to the nations And the glory of your people Israel.

Glory by to the Father…etc

Leader: All-powerful God,
Keep us united with your Son in his death and burial,
So that we may rise to new life with him,
Who lives and reigns forever and ever.

All: Amen.

Leader: May the all-powerful Lord grant us a restful night and a peaceful death.

All: Amen.

Sing: Ave, Regina caelorum, Etc.

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