

THE CHURCH OF
ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK



The Way of the Cross

Lent 2021

Welcome to all who are worshiping with us. Especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer, please be in touch with and let us know if we can be of help to you.



SALVATOR MUNDI, SALVA NOS:
QUI PER CRUCEM ET SANGUINEM TUUM
REDEMISTI NOS: AUXILIARE NOBIS,
TE DEPRECAMUR, DEUS NOSTER.

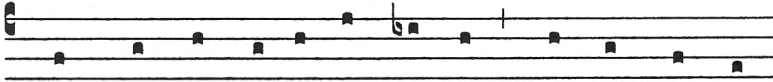
O SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD,
WHO BY THY CROSS AND PRECIOUS BLOOD
HAST REDEEMED US: SAVE US AND HELP US,
WE HUMBLY BESEECH THEE, O LORD.

*Antiphon from the Office of Matins, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, included in
the Order of the Visitation of the Sick, The Book of Common Prayer.*

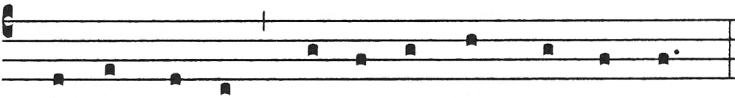
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

At the entrance of the Priest, all stand and sing the Hymn.

Stabat Mater

VI. 

At the Cross her sta-tion keep-ing Stood the mourn-ful
Through her heart His sor-row shar-ing, all His bit - ter



Moth-er weep-ing close to Je - sus at the last;
an-guish bear-ing, now at length the sword had passed.

PREPARATORY PRAYER

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

Kyrie eleison. *Christe eleison.* Kyrie eleison.

OUR FATHER, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

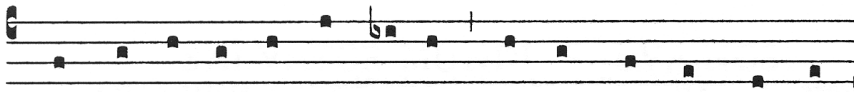
V. It behooves us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R. In whom is our salvation, life and resurrection.

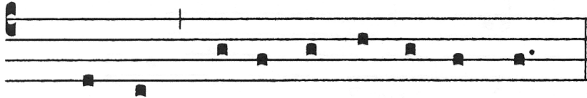
Let us pray. (*Silence*)

ASSIST US MERCIFULLY with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The procession goes to the First Station.



Oh, how sad and sore dis- tress-ed was that Moth- er high- ly
Christ a- bove in tor- ment hangs; she be - neath be- holds the



bless-ed of the sole be-got- ten One!
pangs of her dy-ing glo-rious Son.

FIRST STATION

Jesus Is Condemned to Death

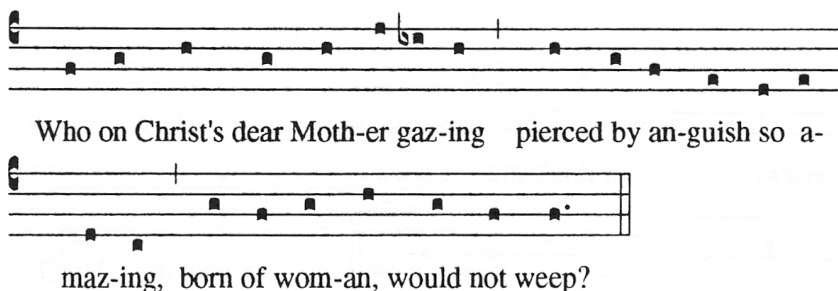
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND IN THE MORNING the chief priests and the whole council, binding Jesus, led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And they all condemned him and said: he is guilty of death. And Pilate sat in the place of judgment and delivered him to them to be crucified.

- V. God spared not his only Son.
R. But delivered him up for all of us.

Let Us Pray

O Lord Jesus Christ, *
who didst come down to earth from the bosom of the Father in Heaven
and didst shed thy Precious Blood for the remission of our sins
we humbly beseech thee, that on the day of judgment we may be found worthy
to be on thy right hand
and to hear thy words: Come ye blessed of my Father!
Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.



SECOND STATION

Jesus Receives the Cross

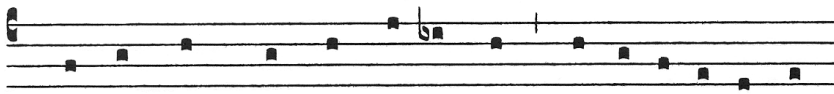
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND BEARING HIS CROSS he went forth to that place which is called Calvary. Hail, O Christ our King! Thou alone hast had pity on the folly of our sins. Obedient to the Father, thou art led forth to be crucified, like an innocent lamb to the slaughter. To thee be glory; to thee be triumph and victory; to thee the crown of highest honor and acclaim!

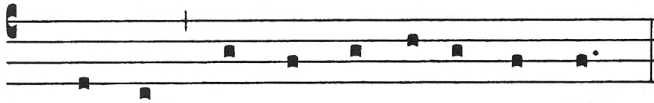
- V. The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.
R. For the wickedness of his people he hath stricken him.

Let Us Pray

O Lord, * **who hast said:**
My yoke is sweet and my burden is light:
grant that we may be able so to carry it as to obtain thy grace.
Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.



Who on Christ's dear Moth-er think-ing such a cup of sor-row



drink-ing would not share her sor-rows deep?

THIRD STATION Jesus Falls the First Time

V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.

R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

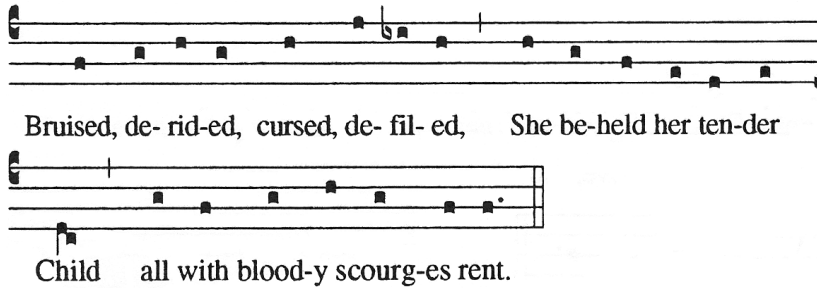
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST HUMBLLED HIMSELF UNTO DEATH, even to the death of the cross. For which cause God exalted him and hath given him a name that is above every name. Come, let us adore and bow down before God, let us weep in the presence of the Lord who made us, for he is indeed the Lord our God.

V. Surely he hath borne our infirmities.

R. And carried our sorrows.

Let Us Pray

Grant, we beseech thee, almighty God, *
that we, who fail in so many adversities through our own weakness
may take heart again through the pleading of the passion of Thine only-begotten Son.
Who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Amen.



FOURTH STATION

Jesus Meets His Blessed Mother

- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

TO WHAT SHALL I COMPARE THEE; or to what shall I liken thee, O virgin daughter of Jerusalem? For great as the sea is thy distress. O Mother of mercy, grant that we may ever realize in ourselves the death of Jesus and may share with him in his saving passion.

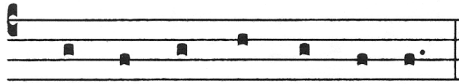
- V. A sword of sorrow hath pierced thy soul.
R. And hath filled thy heart with bitter pain.

Let Us Pray

Lord Jesus Christ, *
grant that now and in the hour of our death
we may obtain the favor of Thy mercy
through the pleading of the Blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother,
whose soul was pierced with a sword of sorrow in the hour of thy passion.
Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.



O thou Moth-er, font of love, touch my spir-it from a-bove,



make my heart with thine ac-cord.

FIFTH STATION

The Cross Is Laid upon Simon of Cyrene

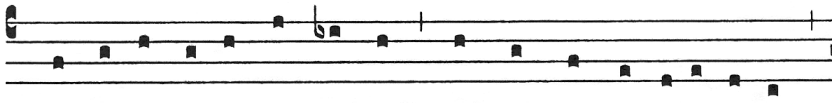
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND AS THEY LED HIM AWAY, they laid hold of one Simon of Cyrene, a passer-by, and forced him to take up the Cross of Jesus. And they laid the Cross on him, to carry after Jesus.

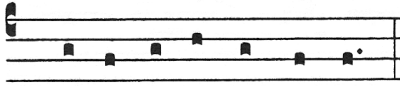
- V. Whoever does not carry his cross and come after me.
R. Cannot be my disciple.

Let Us Pray

Receive our prayers, O Lord, *
and be appeased
and in thy mercy subdue to thy service even our rebellious wills.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



For the sins of His own na-tion, saw Him hang in de-so-la-tion,



till His spi-rit forth He sent.

SIXTH STATION

Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus

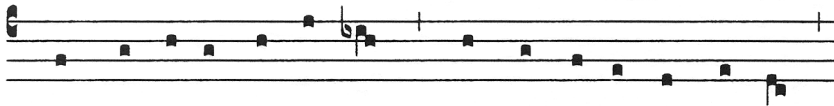
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

LO, WE HAVE SEEN HIM, and there is no beauty in him nor comeliness; he is despised and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with infirmity his countenance is as it were hidden, whereupon we esteemed him not. His appearance is inglorious among men, and his form among the children of men. And yet he is the beautiful one above all the sons of men, and by his bruises we are healed.

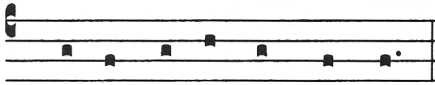
- V. Turn not thy face away from us.
R. And withdraw not from thy servants in anger.

Let Us Pray

O God, * who dost renew us to thy image
by the precious blood of Jesus Christ thy Son:
lead our footsteps in thy paths,
so that we may truly obtain the gift of thy divine charity.
Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



Make me feel as thou hast felt; make my soul to glow and melt



with the love of Christ my Lord.

SEVENTH STATION Jesus Falls the Second Time

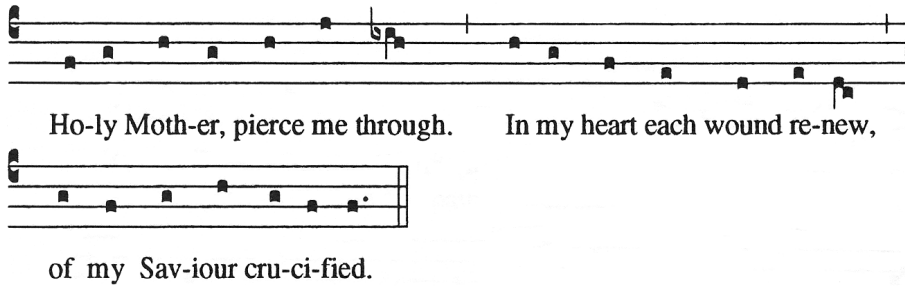
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

THEY DELIVERED ME INTO THE HANDS OF THE IMPIOUS, they cast me out amongst the wicked, and they spared not my soul. The powerful gathered together against me, and like giants they stood against me. And striking me with cruel wounds, they mocked me.

- V. But I am a worm and no man.
R. The reproach of men and the outcast of the people.

Let Us Pray

O God, * who by the humility of thy Son hast lifted up a fallen world:
grant to thy faithful people abiding joy;
that those whom Thou hast delivered from the perils of eternal death,
may come to enjoy unending happiness.
Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



EIGHTH STATION

Jesus Speaks to the Women of Jerusalem

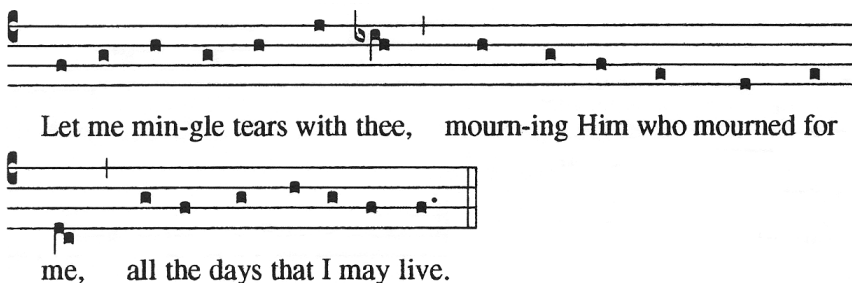
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND THERE FOLLOWED HIM A GREAT MULTITUDE OF PEOPLE and of women who bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them said: Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not over me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

- V. They that sow in tears.
R. Shall reap in joy.

Let Us Pray

O God, * who dost choose rather to have mercy
than to be angry with those who hope in Thee:
grant that we may truly grieve for the evil we have done,
and so deserve to obtain the grace of Thy consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



NINTH STATION

Jesus Falls the Third Time

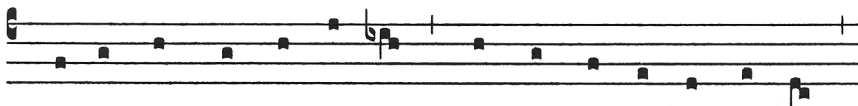
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

MY PEOPLE, what have I done to thee, or in what have I grieved thee? Answer. I brought thee out of the land of Egypt, and thou hast led me to the gibbet of the cross. Forty years I fed thee with manna in the desert, and thou hast beaten me with blows and scourges. What more ought I do for thee that I have not done?

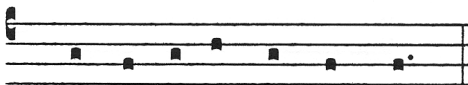
- V. He was led as a sheep to the slaughter.
R. And was mute as a lamb before the shearer.

Let Us Pray

Guard us, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, *
in Thy ever-present mercy;
and since without Thee weak man must fail
keep us ever by Thy help from all things harmful,
and lead us to all things profitable unto our salvation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



By the Cross with thee to stay; there with thee to weep and pray;
Let me share with thee His pain, who for all my sins was slain



this I ask of thee to give.
who for me in torments died.

TENTH STATION

Jesus Is Stripped of His Garments

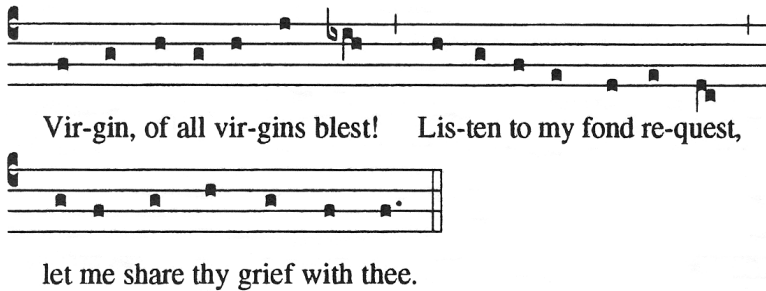
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND THEY CAME TO THE PLACE THAT IS CALLED GOLGOTHA, which is the place of Calvary. And they gave him wine to drink, mingled with gall. And when he had tasted, he would not drink. And they divided his garments, casting lots; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: they divided my garments among them; and upon my vesture they cast lots.

- V. They gave me gall for food.
R. And in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

Let Us Pray

Strip us, O Lord, or our former self, *
with its evil deeds and ways;
and clothe us with that new nature which is created after the manner of God
in justice and in holiness of truth.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



ELEVENTH STATION Jesus Is Nailed to the Cross

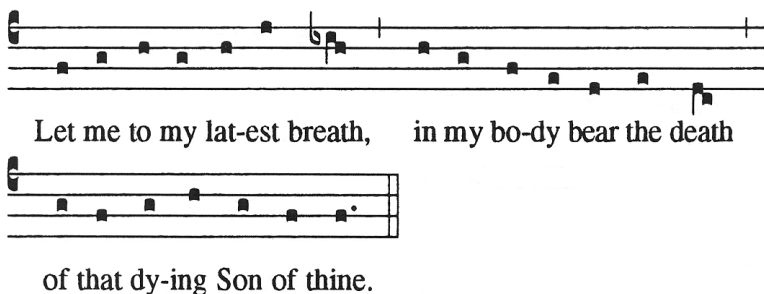
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND WHEN THEY WERE COME TO THE PLACE WHICH IS CALLED CALVARY, they crucified him there, and with him two thieves, one on the right and the other on the left, and Jesus in the midst. My people, what have I done to thee? I have exalted thee with great power, and thou hast hanged me on the gibbet of the cross.

- V. They have pierced my hands and feet.
R. They have numbered all my bones.

Let Us Pray

O God, * who by the passion of thine only-begotten Son, and by the five wounds from which his blood was poured, didst repair the evil wrought by sin in our human nature: grant, we beseech thee,
that we who here on earth revere the wounds which he received,
may be worthy to obtain in Heaven the fruit of his most precious blood.
Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



TWELFTH STATION

Jesus Dies upon the Cross

- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

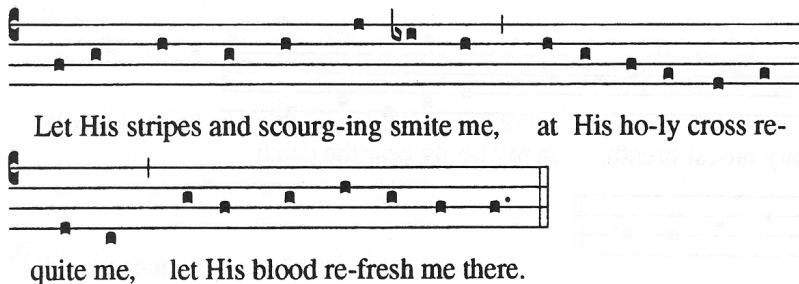
WHEN JESUS THEREFORE HAD SEEN HIS MOTHER AND DISCIPLE WHOM HE LOVED, he said to his mother: Woman, behold thy son. After that he saith to the disciple: Behold thy mother. And Jesus, when he had taken the vinegar, said: It is consummated. And again, crying with a loud voice, he said: Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. And bowing his head, he gave up the ghost.

¶ *All kneel in silence.*

- V. Christ for our sake became obedient unto death.
R. Even the death of the cross.

Let Us Pray

O Lord Jesus Christ, * **Son of the living God**
who at the sixth hour didst mount the gibbet of the cross for the redemption of the world,
and didst shed Thy precious blood for the remission of our sins:
grant us, we humbly beseech Thee,
that after our death we may enter with joy the gates of Paradise.
Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.



THIRTEENTH STATION

Jesus Is Taken Down from the Cross

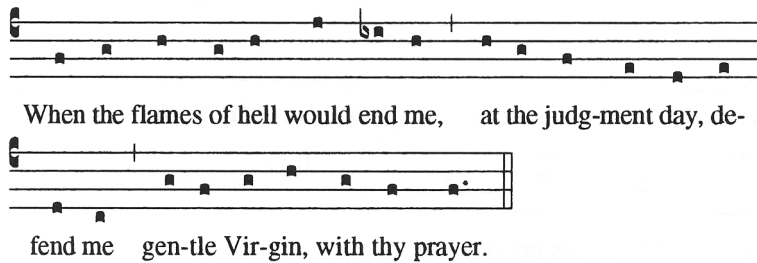
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O ALL YE THAT PASS BY THE WAY, stop, and consider if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow. Mine eyes have failed with weeping; my whole being is troubled, and my strength is poured out upon the earth, as I behold the cruel death of my Son, for the enemy hath prevailed against him. Call me not Naomi (that is, beautiful), but call me Mara (that is, bitter), for the Almighty hath quite filled me with bitterness.

- V. The tears are on her cheeks.
R. And there is none to comfort her.

Let Us Pray

O God, * at whose passion, as Simeon had foretold,
a sword of sorrow pierced the sweet soul of Mary, the glorious Virgin Mother:
grant that we, who reverently recall her anguish and suffering,
may obtain the blessed fruits of thy redemption.
Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.



FOURTEENTH STATION

Jesus Is Laid in the Sepulchre

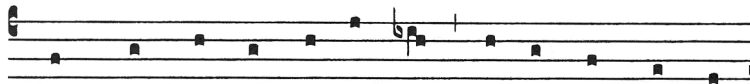
- V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we praise thee.
R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

AND JOSEPH, HAVING TAKEN DOWN THE BODY OF JESUS, wrapped it up in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb which he had hewn out in a rock. And he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb.

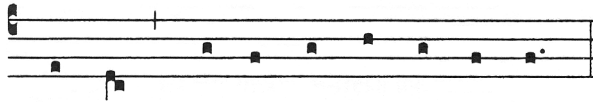
- V. Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell.
R. Nor wilt thou give thy holy one to see corruption.

Let Us Pray

Grant, O Lord, *
that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him:
and that through the grave, and the gate of death, we may pass to our joyful
resurrection;
for his merits who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,
the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Christ, when Thou shalt call me hence, be Thy Moth - er my
While my bod - y here de - cays, may my soul Thy good-



de - fense, be Thy Cross my vic - to - ry.
ness praise safe in pa - ra - dise with Thee.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

- V. Savior of the world, by thy cross and precious blood thou hast redeemed us:
R. Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Let us pray. (*Silence*)

WE THANK THEE, heavenly Father, that thou hast delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of thy Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

To Christ our Lord who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.*



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