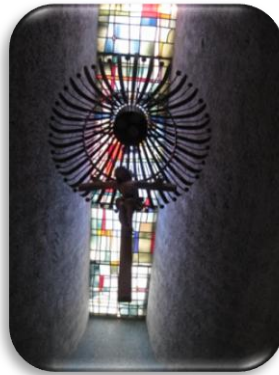


An Invitation to Pray the Stations of the Cross

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“Janine, you can’t get lost. Once you find the station, climb on the train. It only goes in one direction from the airport.”

Lambert Airport.

North Hanley.

Delmar Loop.

I followed the route on the train’s upper ceiling and breathed a sigh of relief. I was going the right way. My attention shifted to the different passengers , as they got on and off. Some had iPod ear buds stuck deep in their ears. Some carried books. Others looked out the window. All did not want to interact with the people around them.

Perhaps this is Saint Louis, Missouri.

And they have 23.5% living below poverty level as compared to the state’s 13.5%.

Or this is public transportation and people did not feel safe.

I could tell they used the train frequently because I was one of the few who constantly scanned the map to get my bearings. I knew I too, would stop paying attention to the different stations if I used the train regularly. Everything would become familiar.

The sun glinted on the stream’s surface.

A young mother’s spring dress danced pink and yellow.

“The Way I See It.” The little boy clutched at the book gingerly.

At each station, dozens of mysteries got on and off.
Some wore iPods.
Others had rompers and sandals.

I wondered what I would find out if I talked to them.
And they talked to me.
Well, at first I would have to ride the train frequently.
Then, they would become familiar with me. And they would know that I was open.

Then, they would reveal their mysteries to me.
Who would trust their mystery to a stranger?

The Stations of the Cross is the same way. At each station, you will see different persons: Pilate with his crimson red cloak, Veronica with her large scarf, the guard on-duty, and more. You've probably seen them many times before when you have done the Stations of the Cross as a child looking at the church walls. Or as an adult during Lent.

Have the stations revealed their mysteries to you?
Have you become familiar with them?
Could they trust their mystery to you?

If you wish, the Stations of the Cross would reveal the mystery of life, death, and joy to you.
If you wish.
If you wish to spend more than one time with them.

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