When he saw that the sun had hid its rays, and the veil of the temple was rent at the death of the Savior, Joseph, approaching Pilate,
pleaded with him, crying out and saying: "Give thou me this stranger who from His youth hath wandered like a stranger. Give me this stranger.

Stranger whom his kinsmen killed in hatred like a stranger.

Give me this Stranger at whom I wonder, beholding Him as a guest of, a guest of death.

Give me this Stranger who knoweth how to take in the poor and strangers.
Give me this stranger.

whom the Jews in envy estranged from the world. Give me this Stranger that I may bury Him in a tomb, who being a Stranger hath no place

whereon to lay, to lay His head.

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Give me this Stranger, to whom His Mother, beholding Him dead, cried: 'My Son and my God, even though my vitals be wounded, and my heart burns, as I behold thee dead, yet trusting in thy Resurrection, I magnify thee.'
In these words the honorable Joseph pleaded with Pilate, took the Savior's body, and with fear wrapped it in linen and balm. In a tomb he placed thee, O thou who grantest to all everlasting last enduring life, and the great mercy.
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