

# Year A 2016/2017

Year A focuses on the Gospel of Matthew. The semi-continuous readings from the Old Testament focus on the covenant of David and Wisdom literature. The second, New Testament, readings are from 1 and 2 Corinthians, Ephesians, James and Hebrews.



## YEAR A 2016/2017 – Lent

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The appointed psalm refrain for Sundays and festivals is from the verse in parentheses.

DAY AND DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	PSALM
<b>Wednesday Mar 1 – Ash Wednesday</b>			
<p><u>Readings</u>            Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12            Psalm 51:1-17 (1)            2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10            Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21</p>			
<p><u>Prayer of the Day</u>            Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p>			
<p>Or</p> <p>Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p>			
<p><u>Gospel Acclamation</u>            Return to the   LORD, your God,            who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in   steadfast love. (Joel 2:13)</p>			
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<b>Thu – Mar 2</b>	Jonah 3:1-10	Romans 1:1-7	Psalm 51
<b>Fri – Mar 3</b>	Jonah 4:1-11	Romans 1:8-17	Psalm 51
<b>Sat – Mar 4</b>	Isaiah 58:1-12	Matthew 18:1-7	Psalm 51

### Sunday Mar 5 - First Sunday in Lent

Readings

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7  
 Psalm 32 (10)  
 Romans 5:12-19  
 Matthew 4:1-11

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

One does not live by | bread alone,  
 but by every word that comes from the | mouth of God. (Matt. 4:4)

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<b>Mon – Mar 6</b>	1 Kings 19:1-8	Hebrews 2:10-18	Psalm 32
<b>Tue – Mar 7</b>	Genesis 4:1-16	Hebrews 4:14--5:10	Psalm 32
<b>Wed – Mar 8</b>	Exodus 34:1-9, 27-28	Matthew 18:10-14	Psalm 32
<b>Thu – Mar 9</b>	Isaiah 51:1-3	2 Timothy 1:3-7	Psalm 121
<b>Fri – Mar 10</b>	Micah 7:18-20	Romans 3:21-31	Psalm 121
<b>Sat – Mar 11</b>	Isaiah 51:4-8	Luke 7:1-10	Psalm 121

### Sunday Mar 12 – Second Sunday in Lent

Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a  
 Psalm 121 (1,2)  
 Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
 John 3:1-17

Prayer of the Day

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

The Son of Man must be | lifted up,  
 that whoever believes in him may have e- | ternal life. (John 3:14-15)

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<b>Mon – Mar 13</b>	Numbers 21:4-9	Hebrews 3:1-6	Psalm 128
<b>Tue – Mar 14</b>	Isaiah 65:17-25	Romans 4:6-13	Psalm 128
<b>Wed – Mar 15</b>	Ezekiel 36:22-32	John 7:53-8:11	Psalm 128
<b>Thu – Mar 16</b>	Exodus 16:1-8	Colossians 1:15-23	Psalm 95
<b>Fri – Mar 17</b>	Exodus 16:9-21	Ephesians 2:11-22	Psalm 95
<b>Sat – Mar 18</b>	Exodus 16:27-35	John 4:1-6	Psalm 95

**Sunday Mar 19 – Third Sunday in Lent**

Readings

Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 95 (1)  
Romans 5:1-11  
John 4:5-42

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Lord, you are truly the Savior | of the world;  
give me this living water that I may never | thirst again. (John 4:42, 15)

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*Or*

**Sunday Mar 19  
Joseph, Guardian of Jesus**

Readings

2 Samuel 7:4, 8-16  
Psalm 89:1-29 (2)  
Romans 4:13-18  
Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Prayer of the Day

O God, from the family of your servant David you raised up Joseph to be the guardian of your incarnate Son and the husband of his blessed mother. Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

We have a building from God, a house not | made with hands,  
eternal | in the heavens. (2 Cor. 5:1)

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<b>Mon – Mar 20</b>	Genesis 24:1-17	2 John 1 - 13	Psalm 81
<b>Tue – Mar 21</b>	Genesis 29:1-4	1 Corinthians 10:1-4	Psalm 81
<b>Wed- Mar 23</b>	Jeremiah 2:4-13	John 7:14-31, 37-39	Psalm 81
<b>Thu – Mar 24</b>	1 Samuel 15:10-21	Ephesians 4:25-32	Psalm 23
<b>Fri – Mar 25</b>	1 Samuel 15:22-31	Ephesians 5:1-9	Psalm 23

Or

**Friday Mar 25  
Annunciation of Our Lord**

Readings

Isaiah 7:10-14  
Psalm 45 (17) or Psalm 40:5-10 (8)  
Hebrews 10:4-10  
Luke 1:26-38

Prayer of the Day

Pour your grace into our hearts, O God, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ, announced by an angel, may by his cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrection; for he lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

[Alleluia.] Greetings, O favored one! The | Lord is with you.  
The Holy Spirit will | come upon you. [Alleluia.] (Luke 1:28, 35)

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<b>Sat – Mar 26</b>	1 Samuel 15:32-34	John 1:1-9	Psalm 23
<b>Sunday Mar 26 – Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>			
<u>Readings</u> 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23 (5) Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41			
<u>Prayer of the Day</u> Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.			
<u>Gospel Acclamation</u> Jesus says, I am the light   of the world; whoever follows me will have the   light of life. (John 8:12)			
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<b>Mon – Mar 27</b>	Isaiah 59:9-19	Acts 9:1-20	Psalm 146
<b>Tue – Mar 28</b>	Isaiah 42:14-21	Colossians 1:9-14	Psalm 146
<b>Wed – Mar 29</b>	Isaiah 60:17-22	Matthew 9:27-34	Psalm 146
<b>Thu – Mar 30</b>	Ezekiel 1:1-3, 2:8-3:3	Revelation 10:1-11	Psalm 130
<b>Fri – Mar 31</b>	Ezekiel 33:10-16	Revelation 11:15-19	Psalm 130
<b>Sat – Apr 1</b>	Ezekiel 36:8-15	Luke 24:44-53	Psalm 130

## Sunday Apr 2 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Readings

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 130 (5)

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

I am the resurrection | and the life;  
whoever believes in me will | never die. (John 11:25, 26)

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<b>Mon – Apr 3</b>	1 Kings 17:17-24	Acts 20:7-12	Psalm 143
<b>Tue – Apr 4</b>	2 Kings 4:18-37	Ephesians 2:1-10	Psalm 143
<b>Wed – Apr 5</b>	Jeremiah 32:1-9, 36-41	Matthew 22:23-33	Psalm 143
<b>Thu – Apr 6</b>	1 Samuel 16:11-13	Philippians 1:1-11	Psalm 31:9-16
<b>Fri – Apr 7</b>	Job 13:13-19	Philippians 1:21-30	Psalm 31:9-16
<b>Sat – Apr 8</b>	Lamentations 3:55-66	Mark 10:32-34	Psalm 31:9-16

## Sunday Apr 9 – Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday

### Readings

Matthew 21:1-11 (Procession with Palms)

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16 (5)

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14—27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

### Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Christ humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death | on a cross.  
Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above | ev'ry name. (Phil. 2:8-9)

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**Monday Apr 10 – Monday in Holy Week**

Readings

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 36:5-11 (7)  
Hebrews 9:11-15  
John 12:1-11

Prayer of the Day

O God, your Son chose the path that led to pain before joy and to the cross before glory. Plant his cross in our hearts, so that in its power and love we may come at last to joy and glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of | anything  
except the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

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**Tuesday Apr 11 – Tuesday in Holy Week**

Readings

Isaiah 49:1-7  
Psalm 71:1-14 (6)  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31  
John 12:20-36

Prayer of the Day

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you. Grant that our love may not grow cold in your service, and that we may not fail or deny you in the time of trial, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of | anything  
except the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

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**Wednesday Apr 12 – Wednesday in Holy Week**

Readings

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 70 (1)  
Hebrews 12:1-3  
John 13:21-32

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son our Savior suffered at human hands and endured the shame of the cross. Grant that we may walk in the way of his cross and find it the way of life and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

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except the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

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## YEAR A 2016/2017 – The Three Days

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### Thursday Apr 13 – Maundy Thursday

#### Readings

Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (13)

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

#### Prayer of the Day

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

I give you a | new commandment,  
that you love one another just as I | have loved you. (John 13:34)

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### Friday Apr 14 – Good Friday

#### Readings

Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Psalm 22 (1)

Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

John 18:1—19:42

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

*Or*



Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Look to Jesus, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross,  
disregard- | ing its shame,  
and has taken his seat at the right hand of the | throne of God. (Heb. 12:2)

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**Saturday Apr 15 – Resurrection of Our Lord  
Vigil of Easter**

Readings

*Reading marked with (\*) are not omitted.*

Creation\*

First Reading: Genesis 1:1–2:4a  
Response: Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26 (1)

Flood

Second Reading: Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13  
Response: Psalm 46 (7)

Testing of Abraham

Third Reading: Genesis 22:1-18  
Response: Psalm 16 (11)

Deliverance at the Red Sea\*

Fourth Reading: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21  
Response: Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18 (1)

Salvation Freely Offered to All\*

Fifth Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11  
Response: Isaiah 12:2-6 (3)

The Wisdom of God

Sixth Reading: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 or Baruch 3:9-15, 32–4:4  
Response: Psalm 19 (8)

A New Heart and a New Spirit

Seventh Reading: Ezekiel 36:24-28  
Response: Psalms 42 and 43 (42:2)

Valley of the Dry Bones

Eighth Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Response: Psalm 143 (11)

Gathering of God's People

Ninth Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20  
Response: Psalm 98 (4)

Call of Jonah  
Tenth Reading: Jonah 1:1–2:1  
Response: Jonah 2:2-3 [4-6] 7-9 (9)

Clothed in the Garments of Salvation  
Eleventh Reading: Isaiah 61:1-4, 9-11  
Response: Deuteronomy 32:1-4, 7, 36a, 43a (3-4)

Deliverance from the Fiery Furnace\*  
Twelfth Reading: Daniel 3:1-29  
Response: Song of the Three Young Men 35-65 (35)

New Testament Reading  
Romans 6:3-11

Gospel  
John 20:1-18

Prayer of the Day

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

O God, you are the creator of the world, the liberator of your people, and the wisdom of the earth. By the resurrection of your Son free us from our fears, restore us in your image, and ignite us with your light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation  
Alleluia. Let us sing to the LORD, who has | triumphed gloriously;  
our strength and our might, who has become | our salvation. Alleluia. (Exod. 15:1-2)

Color: White/Gold



## YEAR A 2016/2017 – Easter

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<p><b>Sunday Apr 16 – Resurrection of Our Lord</b> <b>Easter Day</b></p> <p><u>Readings</u>            Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6            Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (24)            Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43            Matthew 28:1-10 or John 20:1-18</p> <p><u>Prayer of the Day</u>  <u>O God, you gave</u> your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p> <p>lor</p> <p>God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p> <p><u>Gospel Acclamation</u>            Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb,   has been sacrificed.            Therefore, let us   keep the feast. Alleluia. (1 Cor. 5:7, 8)</p> <p>Color: White/Gold</p>			
<p><b>Sunday Apr 16 – Resurrection of Our Lord</b> <b>Easter Evening</b></p> <p><u>Readings</u>            Isaiah 25:6-9            Psalm 114 (7)            1 Corinthians 5:6b-8            Luke 24:13-49</p> <p><u>Prayer of the Day</u>            O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread, open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p>			

Gospel Acclamation  
Alleluia. Our hearts | burn within us  
while you open to | us the scriptures. Alleluia. (Luke 24:27)

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<b>Mon – Apr 17</b>	Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21	Colossians 3:5-11	Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
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**Monday Apr 18 – Resurrection of Our Lord  
Easter Monday**

*These propers may be used for a service on Easter Monday or on another day during the week after Easter Day.*

Readings

Daniel 12:1-3  
Psalm 16:8-11 (9)  
Acts 2:14, 22b-32  
Matthew 28:9-15a

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection. Give us also the joys of life in your service, and bring us at last to the full joy of life eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. God raised up Jesus, having freed | him from death,  
because it was impossible for him to be held | in its power. Alleluia. (Acts 2:24)

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<b>Tue – Apr 18</b>	Exodus 15:1-18	Colossians 3:12-17	Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
<b>Wed – Apr 19</b>	Joshua 3:1-17	Matthew 28:1-10	Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
<b>Thu – Apr 20</b>	Song of Solomon 2:8-15	Colossians 4:2-5	Psalm 16
<b>Fri – Apr 21</b>	Song of Solomon 5:9--6:3	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Psalm 16
<b>Sat – Apr 22</b>	Song of Solomon 8:6-7	John 20:11-20	Psalm 16

**Sunday Apr 23 - Second Sunday of Easter**

Readings

Acts 2:14a, 22-32  
Psalm 16 (11)  
1 Peter 1:3-9  
John 20:19-31

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Blessed are those who | have not seen

and yet have come | to believe. Alleluia. (John 20:29)

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Mon – Apr 24	Judges 6:36-40	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Psalm 114
Tue – Apr 25	Jonah 1:1-17	1 Corinthians 15:19-28	Psalm 114

*Or*

**Tuesday Apr 25 – Mark, Evangelist**

Readings

Apr 25, 2011

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm 57 (9)

2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18

Mark 1:1-15

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have enriched your church with Mark's proclamation of the gospel. Give us grace to believe firmly in the good news of salvation and to walk daily in accord with it, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. This Jesus | God raised up,  
and of that all of | us are witnesses. Alleluia. (Acts 2:32)

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Wed – Apr 26	Jonah 2:1-10	Matthew 12:38-42	Psalm 114
Thu – Apr 27	Isaiah 25:1-5	1 Peter 1:8b-12	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
Fri – Apr 28	Isaiah 26:1-4	1 Peter 1:13-16	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
Sat – Apr 29	Isaiah 25:6-9	Luke 14:12-14	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

**Sunday Apr 30 - Third Sunday of Easter**

Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (13)

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

Prayer of the Day

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Our hearts | burn within us  
while you open to | us the scriptures. Alleluia. (Luke 24:32)

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Mon – May 1	Genesis 18:1-14	1 Peter 1:23-25	Psalm 134
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Or

**Monday May 1**  
**Philip and James, Apostles**

Readings

Isaiah 30:18-21  
Psalm 44:1-3, 20-26 (26)  
2 Corinthians 4:1-6  
John 14:8-14

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you gave to your apostles Philip and James grace and strength to bear witness to your Son. Grant that we, remembering their victory of faith, may glorify in life and death the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns and you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea | and Samaria,  
and to the ends | of the earth. Alleluia. (Acts 1:8)

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<b>Tue – May 2</b>	Proverbs 8:32--9:6	1 Peter 2:1-3	Psalm 134
<b>Wed – May 3</b>	Exodus 24:1-11	John 21:1-14	Psalm 134
<b>Thu – May 4</b>	Exodus 2:15b-25	1 Peter 2:9-12	Psalm 23
<b>Fri – May 5</b>	Exodus 3:16-22; 4:18-20	1 Peter 2:13-17	Psalm 23
<b>Sat – May 6</b>	Ezekiel 34:1-16	Luke 15:1-7	Psalm 23

**Sunday May 7 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Readings

Acts 2:42-47  
Psalm 23 (1)  
1 Peter 2:19-25  
John 10:1-10

Prayer of the Day

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Jesus says, I am | the good shepherd.  
I know my own and my | own know me. Alleluia. (John 10:14)

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<b>Mon – May 8</b>	Ezekiel 34:17-23	1 Peter 5:1-5	Psalm 100
<b>Tue – May 9</b>	Ezekiel 34:23-31	Hebrews 13:20-21	Psalm 100
<b>Wed – May 10</b>	Jeremiah 23:1-8	Matthew 20:17-28	Psalm 100

<b>Thu – May 11</b>	Genesis 12:1-3	Acts 6:8-15	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
<b>Fri – May 12</b>	Exodus 3:1-12	Acts 7:1-16	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
<b>Sat – May 13</b>	Jeremiah 26:20-24	John 8:48-59	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
<b>Sunday May 14 – Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>			
<p><u>Readings</u>  Acts 7:55-60  Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (5)  1 Peter 2:2-10  John 14:1-14</p> <p><u>Prayer of the Day</u>  Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p> <p><u>Gospel Acclamation</u>  Alleluia. I am the way, the truth,   and the life.  No one comes to the Father ex-   cept through me. Alleluia. (John 14:6)</p> <p>Color: White</p>			
<b>Mon – May 15</b>	Exodus 13:17-22	Acts 7:17-40	Psalm 102:1-17
<i>Or</i>			
<p><b>Monday May 15</b>  <b>Matthias, Apostle</b>  <i>(transferred from May 14)</i></p> <p><u>Readings</u>  Isaiah 66:1-2  Psalm 56 (12)  Luke 6:12-16  Acts 1:15-26</p> <p><u>Prayer of the Day</u>  Almighty God, you chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the twelve. Grant that your church may always be taught and guided by faithful and true pastors, through Jesus Christ our shepherd, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</p> <p><u>Gospel Acclamation</u>  Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea   and Samaria,  and to the ends   of the earth. Alleluia. (John 12:26)</p> <p>Color: Scarlet/Red</p>			
<b>Tue – May 16</b>	Proverbs 3:5-12	Acts 7:44-56	Psalm 102:1-17
<b>Wed – May 17</b>	Proverbs 3:13-18	John 8:31-38	Psalm 102:1-17
<b>Thu – May 18</b>	Genesis 6:5-22	Acts 27:1-12	Psalm 66:8-20
<b>Fri – May 19</b>	Genesis 7:1-24	Acts 27:13-38	Psalm 66:8-20
<b>Sat – May 20</b>	Genesis 8:13-19	John 14:27-29	Psalm 66:8-20

**Sunday May 21 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Readings

Acts 17:22-31  
Psalm 66:8-20 (8)  
1 Peter 3:13-22  
John 14:15-21

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Alleluia. (John 14:23)

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<b>Mon – May 22</b>	Genesis 9:8-17	Acts 27:39-44	Psalm 93
<b>Tue – May 23</b>	Deuteronomy 5:22-33	1 Peter 3:8-12	Psalm 93
<b>Wed – May 24</b>	Deuteronomy 31:1-13	John 16:16-24	Psalm 93

**Thursday May 25 – Ascension of Our Lord**

Readings

Acts 1:1-11  
Psalm 47 (5) or Psalm 93 (2)  
Ephesians 1:15-23  
Luke 24:44-53

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the end of the age. Alleluia. (Matt. 28:19, 20)

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<b>Fri – May 26</b>	2 Kings 2:1-12	Ephesians 2:1-7	Psalm 93
<b>Sat – May 27</b>	2 Kings 2:13-15	John 8:21-30	Psalm 93



**Sunday May 28 – Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Readings

Acts 1:6-14  
 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (4)  
 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11  
 John 17:1-11

Prayer of the Day

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. I will not leave you orphaned, | says the Lord.  
 I am com- | ing to you. Alleluia. (John 14:18)

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<b>Mon – May 29</b>	Leviticus 9:1-11, 22-24	1 Peter 4:1-6	Psalm 99
<b>Tue – May 30</b>	Numbers 16:41-50	1 Peter 4:7-11	Psalm 99
<b>Wed – May 31</b>	1 Kings 8:54-65	John 3:31-36	Psalm 99

*Or*

**Wednesday May 31 – Visit of Mary to Elizabeth**

Readings

1 Samuel 2:1-10  
 Psalm 113 (2)  
 Romans 12:9-16b  
 Luke 1:39-57

Prayer of the Day

Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favor on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son as our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. My soul magni- | fies the Lord,  
 and my spirit rejoices in | God my Savior. Alleluia. (Luke 1:47)

Color: White

<b>Thu – June 1</b>	Exodus 19:1-9a	Acts 2:1-11	Psalm 33:12-22
<b>Fri – June 2</b>	Exodus 19:16-25	Romans 8:14-17	Psalm 33:12-22
<b>Sat – June 3</b>	Exodus 20:1-21	Matthew 5:1-12	Psalm 33:12-22

Or

**Saturday June 3  
Vigil of Pentecost**

Readings

Exodus 19:1-9 or Acts 2:1-11  
Psalm 33:12-22 (20) or Psalm 130 (4)  
Romans 8:14-17, 22-27  
John 7:37-39

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you fulfilled the promise of Easter by sending the gift of your Holy Spirit. Look upon your people gathered in prayer, open to receive the Spirit's flame. May it come to rest in our hearts and heal the divisions of word and tongue, that with one voice and one song we may praise your name in joy and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts | of your faithful,  
and kindle in us the fire | of your love. Alleluia.

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**Sunday June 4 – Day of Pentecost**

Readings

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30  
Psalm 104:24-34 (30)  
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21  
John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

Prayer of the Day

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts | of your faithful,  
And kindle in us the fire | of your love. Alleluia.

Color: Red

<b>Mon – June 5</b>	Joel 2:18-29	Romans 8:18-24	Psalm 104:24-34,35b
<b>Tue – June 6</b>	Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29	Romans 8:26-27	Psalm 104:24-34,35b
<b>Wed – June 7</b>	Numbers 11:24-30	John 7:37-39	Psalm 104:24-34,35B

Or

**Saturday June 11  
Barnabas, Apostle**

Readings

Isaiah 42:5-12

Psalm 112 (1)

Acts 11:19-30; 13:1-3

Matthew 10:7-16

Prayer of the Day

We praise you, O God, for the life of your faithful servant Barnabas, who, seeking not his own renown but the well-being of your church, gave generously of his life and possessions for the relief of the poor and the spread of the gospel. Grant that we may follow his example and by our actions give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. This Jesus | God raised up,  
and of that all of | us are witnesses. Alleluia. (Acts 2:32)

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