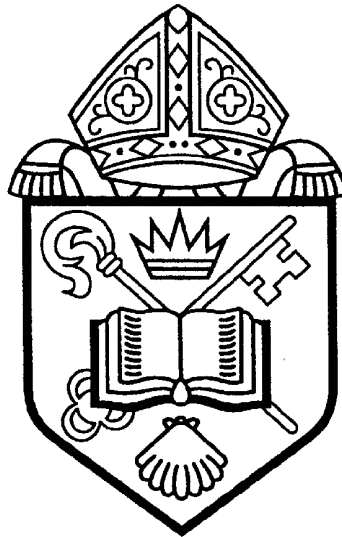


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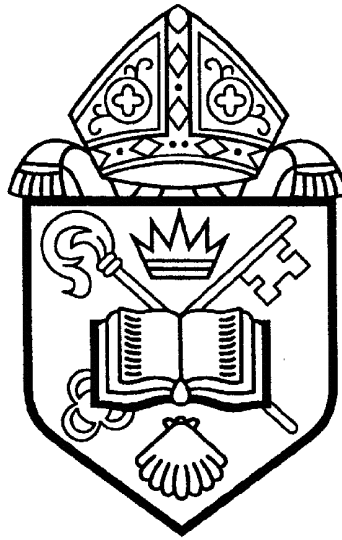


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# Foreword

*The Sixth General Synod, Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui  
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All stories are set in a scene. Story telling is a must in any celebration or gathering. Early Christians kept repeating or mentioning the story of Jesus in different versions. Many stories from both the Old and New Testament are read at such celebrations or gatherings (worships). Without these religious celebrations, these stories would not have been told and re-told. Without the opportunity of celebration, many family stories would gradually be forgotten.

Since story telling is a must in celebrations and gatherings, there is no exception for Christians therefore the Liturgy of Word forms part of Christian liturgy life. Apart from telling the meta-narrative, it goes deeper into us to renew our faith. Based on this fact and to keep abreast of the era, the Church regularly updates its Lectionary, which is closely related to the Liturgy of Word.

The Standing Commission on Liturgical Matters of the Fifth General Synod moved a motion to the Sixth General Synod that the existing Common Lectionary used by this Province be replaced by the Revised Common Lectionary, which was used by many Provinces of the Anglican Communion and other mainstream denominations, from the First Sunday of Advent in 2013 (1 December 2013). The adoption of the Revised Common Lectionary will help promote ecumenism among Christians and enrich the liturgy life of our Church.

It is our sincerely wish that Hong Kong Anglicans would make proper use of the Revised Common Lectionary so that we all would be encouraged by the stories of our Father and Jesus Christ at the Liturgy of Word in the worship and would grow in faith.

# **The Origin, Features and the Use of the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL)**

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## A. Brief introduction to the origin of the RCL

The current Lectionary of the Province for Advent, Christmastide, Epiphanytide, Lent (including Holy Week), Easteride, and the Season of Pentecost, was approved by the 39<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Synod of the Diocese of Hong Kong and Macau in 1989. It has been in use for 24 years by now. This Lectionary adopts from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* of the Episcopal Church of the USA. The foundation of which came from the Mass Lectionary of the Roman Catholic Church in response to the liturgical renewal after the Second Vatican Council. This Mass Lectionary was published in 1969 and was welcomed by major denominations in the USA, including the Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Lutherans, Methodists, the United Church of Christ and the Disciples of Christ. They all adopted the Mass Lectionary and called it the 'Common Lectionary'. It also became one of the symbols of unity in the Christian Church.

However, during the process of adaptation, each denomination altered the Common Lectionary to different extent, according to their traditions and theological views. After over ten years, even the above-named denominations technically based their lectionaries on the Common Lectionary, but there are prominent discrepancies between them. In order to retain the symbol of unity of the Common Lectionary, these denominations in the States formed the Consultation on Church Union (COCU) in 1962. In early 1980s, they formed the Consultation on Common Text (CCT). One of its missions is to coordinate the variances between the lectionaries of these denominations. The CCT began the revision of the Common Lectionary, trying its best to include all these differences and ensure the Common Lectionary will still be used by different denominations, and retaining its symbol of unity within the Church.

After a period of consultation and research of ten years, CCT published the 'Revised Common Lectionary' (RCL) in 1992. The RCL was well received by the major denominations in North America and was adopted by them. In June 2006, the 75<sup>th</sup> General Synod of the Episcopal Church of the USA adopted the RCL. In 2000, the Church of England also based the lectionary of *Common Worship* on the RCL.

From the viewpoint of unity, our Province should also adopt the RCL as other Provinces in the Anglican Communion.

## B. The Features and Use of the RCL

1. The Lectionary contains a three-year cycle (namely Year A, Year B and Year C), with First Sunday of Advent to begin each Year. The Year finishes with Christ the King and its subsequent weekdays. For example, from the First Sunday of Advent in 2013 up to the Saturday after Christ the King in 2014 is Year A. The table below shows the upcoming years in relation to the Lectionary Year:

Calendar Year	Lectionary Year	Start date ( <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> )
2014	Year A	1 December 2013
2015	Year B	30 November 2014
2016	Year C	29 November 2015
2017	Year A	27 November 2016
2018	Year B	3 December 2017
2019	Year C	2 December 2018

2. This Lectionary provides the appointed lessons for all Sundays and major feasts like Christmas Day, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, etc.. The provision for each day includes a psalm and three lessons, namely Old Testament Reading (or First Reading), New Testament Reading (or Second Reading) and Gospel Reading.
3. Each Lectionary Year is assigned one of the 3 synoptic Gospels. The Year concerned has its Gospel Readings mainly taken from that Gospel, e.g. St Matthew's Gospel is assigned to Year A, and most Sundays of Year A has their Gospel reading taken from Matthew. Therefore, Year A is also called the Year of Matthew; Year B the Year of Mark, and Year C the Year of Luke. Due to the brevity of St Mark's Gospel, RCL assigned portion of St John's Gospel to Year B as well.

For St John's Gospel, RCL assigned all the Gospel Readings during Eastertide in all three Years from it.

4. Concerning the Old Testament Readings, RCL has a new arrangement.

- 4.1 From First Sunday of Advent to Trinity Sunday, RCL follows the principle of the OT reading being complementary to the day's Gospel. This principle follows after Trinity Sunday up to Christ the King. The **second option** in our Lectionary shows this '**complementary reading**'.
- 4.2 **Another arrangement** in the RCL is to organise Sundays after Trinity into groups and assigned each group a book from the OT. However, the OT Readings do not connect to the Gospel Readings of the Sundays. For example, in Year A, the OT Readings of the second Sunday after Pentecost to twelfth Sunday after Pentecost are all taken from the Book of Genesis. The OT readings of the subsequent nine Sundays are all taken from the Book of Exodus. This is called '**semi-continuous reading**', and is shown as the **first option** in our Lectionary.
- 4.3 **Please be reminded that as the priests** choose the OT Readings for the second half of the Lectionary Year, they should **either choose the arrangement of complementary readings** mentioned in (4.1) **or arrangement of the semi-continuous readings** mentioned in (4.2). This choice is not that important as one can choose the complementary ones for Year A starting on 1 December 2013, while using the semi-continuous ones for Year A starting on 27 November 2016. The key is that when the pattern of readings is chosen, it should be **consistent throughout the continuous three Lectionary Years** to be faithful to the spirit of the RCL.

## 5. The Lectionary for Easteride

5.1 Sharing the same feature as the Common Lectionary, the RCL distributed readings of the Acts of the Apostles among the Sundays in Eastertide in all three Lectionary Years. As the content of the Acts of the Apostles records the narratives of the activity of Jesus' disciples in the Mediterranean region, being sent by the risen Christ and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, as a witness to the risen Christ. Therefore, it is very suitable to be read during Eastertide, and should be treated as compulsory readings on the Sundays of Easter. With such consideration, in the **Eucharist** held on these Sundays, the best way to assign the lessons is:

If there are only two readings: First Reading: Acts  
Gospel: Gospel

If there are three readings: First Reading: Acts  
Second Reading: Epistle  
Gospel: Gospel

5.2 During Morning Prayer, the lessons for Sundays in Easter should be:

First Lesson: Acts  
Second Lesson: Epistle/Gospel



# Collects and Lectionary for Sundays and Seasons

## First Sunday of Advent (Violet)

### Sentence

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. (Luke 21:28)

### Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 122  
Isaiah 2:1-5  
Romans 13:11-14  
Matthew 24:36-44

#### Year B

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
Isaiah 64:1-9  
1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
Mark 13:24-37

#### Year C

Psalm 25:1-10  
Jeremiah 33:14-16  
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13  
Luke 21:25-36

(Preface of Advent)

## **Second Sunday of Advent (Violet)**

### Sentence

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God. (Luke 3:4, 6)

### Collect

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

#### Year B

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Isaiah 40:1-11

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

#### Year C

Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79)

Baruch 5:1-9 (or) Malachi 3:1-4

Philippians 1:3-11

Luke 3:1-6

(Preface of Advent)

## **Third Sunday of Advent (Violet)**

### Sentence

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted. (Isaiah 61:1)

### Collect

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great power might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 146:5-10 (or) Magnificat (Luke 1:46b-55)

Isaiah 35:1-10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

#### Year B

Psalm 126 (or) Magnificat (Luke 1:46b-55)

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

#### Year C

Isaiah 12:2-6

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18

(Preface of Advent)

## **Fourth Sunday of Advent (Violet)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) A virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel: God is with us. (Matthew 1:23)
- (Year B and Year C) I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to his word. (Luke 1:38)

### Collect

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by you daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Isaiah 7:10-16

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

#### Year B

Magnificat (Luke 1:46b-55) (or) Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16

Romans 16:25-27

Luke 1:26-38

#### Year C

Magnificat (Luke 1:46b-55) (or) Psalm 80:1-7

Micah 5:2-5a

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45(46-55)

(Preface of Advent)

## **The Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Day (25 December) (Gold or White)**

The Collect for Christmas-during the Day and any of the sets of Proper Lessons for Christmas Day serve for any weekdays between Holy Innocents' Day and the First Sunday after Christmas Day.

### Sentence

I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:10-11)

### Collect

(At Midnight)

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

(In the Early Morning)

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(During the Day)

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born (this day) of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by you and the Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

#### At Midnight

Psalm 96  
Isaiah 9:2-7  
Titus 2:11-14  
Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

#### In the Early Morning

Psalm 97  
Isaiah 62:6-12  
Titus 3:4-7  
Luke 2:(1-7)8-20

#### During the Day

Psalm 98  
Isaiah 52:7-10  
Hebrews 1:1-4(5-12)  
John 1:1-14

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **First Sunday after Christmas Day (White)**

### Sentence

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.  
(Colossians 3:15-16)

### Collect

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings (please select same group of readings as the second Sunday after Christmas Day)

### The 1<sup>st</sup> group

#### Year A

Psalm 148  
Isaiah 63:7-9  
Hebrews 2:10-18  
Matthew 2:13-23

#### Year B

Psalm 148  
Isaiah 61:10-62:3  
Galatians 4:4-7  
Luke 2:22-40

#### Year C

Psalm 148  
1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26  
Colossians 3:12-17  
Luke 2:41-52

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> group (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 147 (or) 147:12-20  
Isaiah 61:10-62:3  
Galatians 3:23-25, 4:4-7  
John 1:1-18

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **Second Sunday after Christmas Day (White)**

### Sentence

Glory to Christ who is preached among the nations, and was believed on in the world.  
(1 Timothy 3:16)

### Collect

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings (please select same group of readings as the first Sunday after Christmas Day)

### The 1<sup>st</sup> group (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 147:12-20 (or) Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21

Jeremiah 31:7-14 (or) Sirach 24:1-12

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:(1-9)10-18

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> group (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 84

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19

Matt 2:13-15, 19-23 or Luke 2:41-52 or Matt 2:1-12

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **Epiphany of the Lord (6 January) (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

From the rising of the sun to its setting, my name is great among the nations, says the Lord. (Malachi 1:11)

### Collect

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

(Preface of the Epiphany)



## **The Baptism of Christ (First Sunday after the Epiphany) (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

A voice came from heaven, saying, ‘This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased.’ (Matthew 3:17)

### Collect

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested you only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see you glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 29

Isaiah 42:1-9

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17

#### Year B

Psalm 29

Genesis 1:1-5

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

#### Year C

Psalm 29

Isaiah 43:1-7

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **Second Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The Word of God became the flesh and dwelt among us. To all who receive him, he gave power to become children of God. (John 1:12, 14)
- (Year B) We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. (John 1)
- (Year C) Jesus manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him. (John 2:11)

### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

<u>Year A</u>	<u>Year B</u>	<u>Year C</u>
Psalms 40:1-11	Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18	Psalms 36:5-10
Isaiah 49:1-7	1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)	Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 6:12-20	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 1:29-42	John 1:43-51	John 2:1-11

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## **Third Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4:23)
- (Year B) The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel. (Mark 1:15)
- (Year C) The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)

### Collect

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Saviour Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the good news of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Isaiah 9:1-4

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

#### Year B

Psalm 62:5-12

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

#### Year C

Psalm 19

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven. (Matthew 5:12)
- (Year B) Jesus went about Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. (Matthew 4:23)
- (Year C) The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 15

Micah 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

#### Year B

Psalm 111

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

#### Year C

Psalm 71:1-6

Jeremiah 1:4-10

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## **Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)**

### Sentence

(Year A and Year C) I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Those who follow me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life.  
(John 8:12)

(Year B) He took our infirmities and bore our disease. (Matthew 8:17)

### Collect

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 112:1-9 (10)

Isaiah 58:1-9a(9b-12)

1 Corinthians 2:1-12(13-16)

Matthew 5:13-20

#### Year B

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

Isaiah 40:21-31

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

#### Year C

Psalm 138

Isaiah 6:1-8(9-13)

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple. (Luke 10:21)
- (Year B) A great prophet has arisen among us. God has visited his people. (Luke 7:16)
- (Year C) Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. (Luke 6:23)

### Collect

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 119:1-8

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

(or) Sirach 15:15-20

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

#### Year B

Psalm 30

2 Kings 5:1-14

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

#### Year C

Psalm 1

Jeremiah 17:5-10

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Whoever keeps the word of Christ grows perfect in love for God.  
(1 John 2:5)
- (Year B) The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)
- (Year C) A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. (John 13:34)

### Collect

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalms 119:33-40

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

1 Corinthians 3:10-11,  
16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

#### Year B

Psalms 41

Isaiah 43:18-25

2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Mark 2:1-12

#### Year C

Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

1 Corinthians 15:35-38,  
42-50

Luke 6:27-38

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)

## **Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The word of God is living and active. It sifts the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)
- (Year B) The Father brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. (James 1:18)
- (Year C) Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life. (Philippians 2:15-16)

### Collect

Most loving Father, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast all our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 131  
Isaiah 49:8-16a  
1 Corinthians 4:1-5  
Matthew 6:24-34

#### Year B

Psalm 103:1-13, 22  
Hosea 2:14-20  
2 Corinthians 3:1-6  
Mark 2:13-22

#### Year C

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15  
Sirach 27:4-7  
(or) Isaiah 55:10-13  
1 Corinthians 15:51-58  
Luke 6:39-49

(Preface of the Epiphany or of the Lord's Day)



## **Last Sunday after the Epiphany (Sunday before Ash Wednesday) (Green)**

The Collect and Readings for this Sunday are always used on the Sunday before Ash Wednesday.

### Sentence

(Year A) I am the vine, and you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. (John 15:5)

(Year B) Your word, O lord, is truth; sanctify us in the truth. (John 17:17)

(Year C) God so love the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

### Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear cross, and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 2 (*or*) 99

Exodus 24:12-18

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

#### Year B

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Kings 2:1-12

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9

#### Year C

Psalm 99

Exodus 34:29-35

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36(37-43)

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **Ash Wednesday (Violet)**

### **Sentence**

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart he will not despise  
(Psalm 51:17)

### **Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Readings (Year A, B, C)**

Psalm 51:1-17

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 (or) Isaiah 58:1-12

2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

(Preface of Lent)

## **First Sunday in Lent (Violet)**

### Sentence

We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that that proceeds from the mouth of God. (Matthew 4:4)

### Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 32

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

#### Year B

Psalm 25:1-10

Genesis 9:8-17

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

#### Year C

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

(Preface of Lent)

## **Second Sunday in Lent (Violet)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The Son of man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:14-15)
- (Year B) I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. (Galatians 6:14)
- (Year C) If you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Psalm 95:7-8)

### Collect

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

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

#### Year B

Psalm 22:23-31  
Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
Romans 4:13-25  
Mark 8:31-38

#### Year C

Psalm 27  
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18  
Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Luke 13:31-35

(Preface of Lent)

## **Third Sunday in Lent (Violet)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) Lord, you are indeed the Saviour of the world. Give us living water, that we may not thirst. (John 4)
- (Year B) God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)
- (Year C) Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. (Matthew 4:17)

### Collect

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

### Readings

<u>Year A</u>	<u>Year B</u>	<u>Year C</u>
Psalms 95	Psalms 19	Psalms 63:1-8
Exodus 17:1-7	Exodus 20:1-17	Isaiah 55:1-9
Romans 5:1-11	1 Corinthians 1:18-25	1 Corinthians 10:1-13
John 4:5-42	John 2:13-22	Luke 13:1-9

(Preface of Lent)

## **Fourth Sunday in Lent (Violet)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life. (John 8:12)
- (Year B) God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)
- (Year C) I will arise and go to my father; and I will say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. (Luke 15:18)

### Collect

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 23  
1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

#### Year B

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22  
Numbers 21:4-9  
Ephesians 2:1-10  
John 3:14-21

#### Year C

Psalm 32  
Joshua 5:9-12  
2 Corinthians 5:16-21  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

(Preface of Lent)

## **Fifth Sunday in Lent (Violet)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. (John 11:25-26)
- (Year B) Anyone who serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there shall my servant be also. (John 12:26)
- (Year C) All I care for is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection. (Philippians 3:10)

### Collect

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 130

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

#### Year B

Psalm 51:1-12 *(or)* 119:9-16

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

#### Year C

Psalm 126

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8

(Preface of Lent)

## **Palm Sunday (or) Passion Sunday (Red)**

### Sentence

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest. (Matthew 21:9)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

#### **(Liturgy of the Palms)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Matthew 21:1-11

#### **(Liturgy of the Passion)**

Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

(or) Matthew 27:11-54

#### Year B

#### **(Liturgy of the Palms)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Mark 11:1-11

(or) John 12:12-16

#### **(Liturgy of the Passion)**

Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-11

Mark 14:1-15:47

(or) Mark 15:1-39(40-47)

#### Year C

#### **(Liturgy of the Palms)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Luke 19:28-40

#### **(Liturgy of the Passion)**

Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14-23:56

(or) Luke 23:1-49

(Preface of Holy Week)



## **Monday in Holy Week (Violet)**

### Sentence

God sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. (1 John 4:10)

### Collect

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it non other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reign with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 36:5-11

Isaiah 42:1-9

Hebrews 9:11-15

John 12:1-11

(Preface of Holy Week)

## **Tuesday in Holy Week (Violet)**

### Sentence

Anyone who serves me must follow me, says the Lord, and where I am, there shall my servant be also. (John 12:26)

### Collect

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 71:1-14

Isaiah 49:1-7

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

John 12:20-36

(Preface of Holy Week)

## **Wednesday in Holy Week (Violet)**

### **Sentence**

By this will all know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.  
(John 13:35)

### **Collect**

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Readings (Year A, B, C)**

Psalm 70

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Hebrews 12:1-3

John 13:21-32

(Preface of Holy Week)

## **Maundy Thursday (White)**

### Sentence

Jesus said, ‘A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, as I have loved you. (John 13:34)

### Collect

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

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

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

(Preface of Holy Week)

## **Good Friday (Black or Red)**

### Sentence

God showed his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.  
(Romans 5:8)

### Collect

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 22

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Hebrews 10:16–25 (or) Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9

John 18:1–19:42

## **Holy Saturday (Hangings removed)**

### Sentence

Christ became obedient unto death, even on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. (Philippians 2:8-9)

### Collect

O God, Creator of heaven and earth: Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so we may await with him the coming of the third day, and rise with him to newness of life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C) (This set is for use at services other than the Easter Vigil)

Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

Job 14:1-14 (or) Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24

1 Peter 4:1-8

Matthew 27:57-66 (or) John 19:38-42

## **Easter Day (Gold or White)**

### **Sentence**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.  
(1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

### **Collect**

#### **(Vigil)**

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **(During the Day and Evening)**

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(or)

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Readings

### **(Vigil)**

The following readings and responses are provided for use at the Easter Vigil. A minimum of three Old Testament readings should be chosen. The reading from Exodus 14 should always be used.

#### Old and New Testament; and Responses (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 114

Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26

(or) Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 and Psalm 46

(or) Genesis 22:1-18 and Psalm 16

(or) Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 and Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18

(or) Isaiah 55:1-11 and Isaiah 12:2-6

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

(or) Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Psalm 42 & 43

(or) Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Psalm 143

(or) Zephaniah 3:14-20 and Psalm 98

Romans 6:3-11

#### Gospel

##### Year A

Matthew 28:1 -10

##### Year B

Mark 16:1-8

##### Year C

Luke 24:1-12

### **(During the Day)**

In the Lectionary below, if the first reading is taken from the Old Testament, the lection from Acts should be the second reading.

#### Year A

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Acts 10:34-43

(or) Jeremiah 31:1-6

Colossians 3:1-4

(or) Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18

(or) Matthew 28:1-10

#### Year B

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Acts 10:34-43

(or) Isaiah 25:6-9

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

(or) Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18

(or) Mark 16:1-8

#### Year C

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Acts 10:34-43

(or) Isaiah 65:17-25

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

(or) Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18

(or) Luke 24:1-12

### **(Evening) (Year A, B, C) (This set is not intended for Evening Prayer on Easter Evening)**

Psalm 114

Isaiah 25:6-9

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Luke 24:13-49

(Preface of Easter)



**(Gold or White)**

**Monday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 16:1-2; 6-11

Acts 2:14, 22-32

Matthew 28:8-15

**Thursday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 8

Acts 3:11-26

Luke 24:35-48

**Tuesday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 33:4-5, 18-22

Acts 2:36-41

John 20:11-18

**Friday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 118:1-4, 22-26

Acts 4:1-12

John 21:1-14

**Wednesday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 105:1-9

Acts 3:1-10

Luke 24:13-35

**Saturday in Easter Week**

Readings

Psalm 118:1-4, 14-21

Acts 4:13-21

Mark 16:9-15

(Preface of Easter)

## **Second Sunday of Easter (White)**

### Sentence

Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. (John 20:29)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 16

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19 -31

#### Year B

Psalm 133

Acts 4:32-35

I John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31

#### Year C

Psalm 118:14-29 (or) 150

Acts 5:27-32

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19 -31

(Preface of Easter)

## **Third Sunday of Easter (White)**

### Sentence

Lord Jesus, open to us the scriptures; make our hearts burn within us while you speak.  
(Luke 24:32)

### Collect

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; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

#### Year B

Psalm 4

Acts 3:12-19

I John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48

#### Year C

Psalm 30

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1 -19

(Preface of Easter)

## **Fourth Sunday of Easter (White)**

### Sentence

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

### Collect

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 23

Acts 2:42-47

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

#### Year B

Psalm 23

Acts 4: 5-12

I John 3:16-24

John 10:11 -18

#### Year C

Psalm 23

Acts 9:36-43

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

(Preface of Easter)

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter (White)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)
- (Year B) I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. (John 15:5)
- (Year C) A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. (John 13:34)

### Collect

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ you Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16  
Acts 7:55-60  
1 Peter 2:2-10  
John 14:1 -14

#### Year B

Psalm 22:25-31  
Acts 8:26-40  
I John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8

#### Year C

Psalm 148  
Acts 11:1-18  
Revelation 21:1-6  
John 13:31-35

(Preface of Easter)

## **Sixth Sunday of Easter (White)**

### Sentence

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. (John 14:23)

### Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 66:8-20

Acts 17:22-31

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

#### Year B

Psalm 98

Acts 10:44-48

I John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

#### Year C

Psalm 67

Acts 16:9-15

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29 (or) John 5:1-9

(Preface of Easter)

## **Ascension Day (Gold or White)**

### **Sentence**

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

### **Collect**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

**(or)**

Grant, we pray. Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Readings (Year A, B, C)**

Psalm 47 (or) 93

Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

(Preface of the Ascension)

## **Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day (White)**

### Sentence

I will not leave you desolate, says the Lord; I will come to you. (John 14:18)

### Collect

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Acts 1:6-14

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

John 17:1-11

#### Year B

Psalm 1

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

I John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

#### Year C

Psalm 97

Acts 16:16-34

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26

(Preface of the Ascension)



## **The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday (Red)**

### Sentence

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. (Romans 5:5)

**(or)**

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses. (Acts 1:8)

### Collect

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**(or)**

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by the sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

In the Lectionary below, if the Old Testament reading is chosen for the first reading, the Acts passage is used as the second reading.

### Year A

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Acts 2:1-21 (or) Numbers 11:24-30

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 (or) Acts 2:1-21

John 20:19-23 (or) 7:37-39

Year B

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Acts 2:1-21 (or) Ezekiel 37:1-14

Romans 8:22-27 (or) Acts 2:1-21

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Year C

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Acts 2:1-21 (or) Genesis 11:1-9

Romans 8:14-17 (or) Acts 2:1-21

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

(Preface of Pentecost)

## **First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.  
(Revelation 4:8)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us our servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 8

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

#### Year B

Psalm 29

Isaiah 6:1-8

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17

#### Year C

Psalm 8

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

(Preface of Trinity Sunday)

## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 8 and 14 May (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple. (Luke 10:21)
- (Year B) A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people. (Luke 7:16)
- (Year C) Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. (Luke 6:23)

### Collect

Remember, O Lord, what you have wrought in us and not what we deserve; and, as you have called us to your service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 119:1-8

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

(or) Sirach 15:15-20

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

#### Year B

Psalm 30

2 Kings 5:1-14

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

#### Year C

Psalm 1

Jeremiah 17:5-10

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 15 and 21 May (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A)     Whoever keeps the word of Christ grows perfect in love for God.  
(1 John 2:5)
- (Year B)     The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release  
to the captives. (Luke 4:18)
- (Year C)     A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have  
loved you. (John 13:34)

### Collect

Almighty and merciful God, in your goodness keep us, we pray, from all things that may hurt us, that we, being ready both in mind and body, may accomplish with free hearts those things which belong to your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalms 119:33-40

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

#### Year B

Psalms 41

Isaiah 43:18-25

2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Mark 2:1-12

#### Year C

Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Luke 6:27-38

(No Proper Preface is used)

## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 22 and 28 May (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The word of God is living and active. It sifts the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)
- (Year B) The Father brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. (James 1:18)
- (Year C) Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life. (Philippians 2:15-16)

### Collect

Grant, O Lord, that the course of the world may be peaceably governed by your providence; and that your Church may joyfully serve you in confidence and serenity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 131  
Isaiah 49:8-16a  
1 Corinthians 4:1-5  
Matthew 6:24-34

#### Year B

Psalm 103:1-13, 22  
Hosea 2:14-20  
2 Corinthians 3:1-6  
Mark 2:13-22

#### Year C

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15  
Sirach 27:4-7  
(or) Isaiah 55:10-13  
1 Corinthians 15:51-58  
Luke 6:39-49

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 29 May and 4 June (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) I am the vine, and you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. (John 15:5)
- (Year B) Your word, O Lord, is truth; sanctify us in the truth. (John 17:17)
- (Year C) God so love the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

### Collect

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 46 Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19 Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-28 (29-31) Matthew 7:21-29	Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24 Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28 Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-28 (29-31) Matthew 7:21-29
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Mark 2:23-3:6	Psalm 81:1-10 Deuteronomy 5:12-15 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Mark 2:23-3:6
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 96 1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29) 30-39 Galatians 1:1-12 Luke 7:1-10	Psalm 96:1-9 1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43 Galatians 1:1-12 Luke 7:1-10

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 5 and 11 June (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)
- (Year B) The ruler of this world shall now be cast out; and when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself. (John 12:31-32)
- (Year C) A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people. (Luke 7:16)

### Collect

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 33:1-12 Genesis 12:1-9 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26	Psalm 50:7-15 Hosea 5:15–6:6 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 138 1 Samuel 8:4-11(12-15), 16-20 (11:14-15) 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35	Psalm 130 Genesis 3: 8-15 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 146 1 Kings 17:8-16 (17-24) Galatians 1:11-24 Luke 7:11-17	Psalm 30 1 Kings 17:17-24 Galatians 1:11-24 Luke 7:11-17

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 12 and 18 June (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) The kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel.  
(Mark 1:15)
- (Year B) Quietly accept the message planted in your hearts; it can bring you salvation. (James 1:21)
- (Year C) In this is love, that God loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation our sins. (1 John 4:10)

### Collect

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 116:1, 12-19 Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7) Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9-23)	Psalm 100 Exodus 19:2-8a Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35–10:8 (9-23)
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 20 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13)14-17 Mark 4:26-34	Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13)14-17 Mark 4:26-34
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 5:1-8 1 Kings 21:1-10 (11-14)15-21a Galatians 2:15-21 Luke 7:36-8:3	Psalm 32 2 Samuel 11:26–12:10, 13-15 Galatians 2:15-21 Luke 7:36-8:3

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 19 and 25 June (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord; and you also are witness. (John 15:26-27)
- (Year B) A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people! (Luke 7:16)
- (Year C) My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. (John 10:27)

### Collect

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 Genesis 21:8-21 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39	Psalm 69:7-10(11-15) 16-18 Jeremiah 20:7-13 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 9:9-20 or 133 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23)32-49 or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41	Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 Job 38:1-11 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 42 and 43 1 Kings 19:1-4 (5-7) 8-15a Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39	Psalm 22:19-28 Isaiah 65:1-9 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 26 June and 2 July (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that you may declare the wonderful deed of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)
- (Year B) Our Saviour Jesus Christ had abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. (2 Timothy 1:10)
- (Year C) Speak Lord, for your servant is listening: you have the words of eternal life. (1 Samuel 3:9 ; John 6:68)

### Collect

Almighty God, you have build your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 13 Genesis 22:1-14 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42	Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Jeremiah 28:5-9 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 130 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43	Psalm 30 Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24 or Lamentations 3:22-33 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62	Psalm 16 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 3 and 9 July (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple. (Luke 10:21)
- (Year B) The Lord has anointed me to preach the good news to the poor and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)
- (Year C) Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. (Colossians 3:15-16)

### Collect

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbour: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 45:10-17 or Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Psalm 145:8-14 Zechariah 9:9-12 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 48 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13	Psalm 123 Ezekiel 2:1-5 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 30 2 Kings 5:1-14 Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Psalm 66:1-9 Isaiah 66:10-14 Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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**The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 10 and 16 July (Green)**

Sentence

(Year A and Year B) The word of God is very near you, it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. (Deuteronomy 30:14)

(Year C) The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord; you have the words of eternal life. (John 6:63, 68)

Collect

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 119:105-112 Genesis 25:19-34 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Psalm 65:(1-8) 9-13 Isaiah 55:10-13 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 24 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29	Psalm 85:8-13 Amos 7:7-15 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 82 Amos 7:7-17 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37	Psalm 25:1-10 Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 17 and 23 July (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) My word shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it. (Isaiah 55:11)
- (Year B) My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. (John 10:27)
- (Year C) Blessed are they who hold the word fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience. (Luke 8:15)

### Collect

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 Genesis 28:10-19a Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	Psalm 86:11-17 Isaiah 44:6-8 or Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19 Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 89:20-37 2 Samuel 7:1-14a Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Psalm 23 Jeremiah 23:1-6 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 52 Amos 8:1-12 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	Psalm 15 Genesis 18:1-10a Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 24 and 30 July (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. (John 6:68)
- (Year B) A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people! (Luke 7:16)
- (Year C) When we cry, 'Abba, Father!' It is the Spirit of God bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God. (Romans 8:15-16)

### Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or 128 Genesis 29:15-28 Romans 8:26-39 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52	Psalm 119:129-136 1 Kings 3:5-12 Romans 8:26-39 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 14 2 Samuel 11:1-15 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21	Psalm 145:10-18 2 Kings 4:42-44 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 85 Hosea 1:2-10 Colossians 2:6-15(16-19) Luke 11:1-13	Psalm 138 Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:6-15(16-19) Luke 11:1-13

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 31 July and 6 August (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A and Year B) We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. (Matthew 4:4)
- (Year C) Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)

### Collect

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 17:1-7, 15 Genesis 32:22-31 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21	Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21 Isaiah 55:1-5 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 51:1-12 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35	Psalm 78:23-29 Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 107:1-9, 43 Hosea 11:1-11 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21	Psalm 49:1-12 Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14; 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 7 and 13 August (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) I wait for the Lord; in his word is my hope. (Psalm 130:5)
- (Year B) I am the living bread which came down from heaven, says the Lord; anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. (John 6:51)
- (Year C) Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. (Matthew 24:42)

### Collect

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33	Psalm 85:8-13 1 Kings 19:9-18 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 130 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:35, 41-51	Psalm 34:1-8 1 Kings 19:4-8 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:35, 41-51
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40	Psalm 33:12-22 Genesis 15:1-6 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 14 and 20 August (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4:23)
- (Year B) Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them, says the Lord. (John 6:56)
- (Year C) My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. (John 10:27)

### Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 133 Genesis 45:1-15 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28	Psalm 67 Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 111 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58	Psalm 34:9-14 Proverbs 9:1-6 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 Isaiah 5:1-7 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56	Psalm 82 Jeremiah 23:23-29 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56

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## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 21 and 27 August (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. (Matthew 16:16)
- (Year B) Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. (John 6:68)
- (Year C) I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

### Collect

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church beign gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 124 Exodus 1:8-2:10 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20	Psalm 138 Isaiah 51:1-6 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 84 1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69	Psalm 34:15-22 Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 71:1-6 Jeremiah 1:4-10 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17	Psalm 103:1-8 Isaiah 58:9b-14 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 28 August and 3 September (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we may know what is the hope to which he has called us. (Ephesians 1:17-18)
- (Year B) The Father brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. (James 1:18)
- (Year C) Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lovely in heart. (Matthew 11:29)

### Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b Exodus 3:1-15 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28	Psalm 26:1-8 Jeremiah 15:15-21 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 Song of Solomon 2:8-13 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Psalm 15 Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 81:1, 10-16 Jeremiah 2:4-13 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14	Psalm 112 Sirach 10:12-18 or Proverbs 25:6-7 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 4 and 10 September (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:19)
- (Year B) Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4:23)
- (Year C) Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes. (Psalm 119:135)

### Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 149 Exodus 12:1-14 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	Psalm 119:33-40 Ezekiel 33:7-11 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 125 Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 James 2:1-10(11-13)14-17 Mark 7:24-37	Psalm 146 Isaiah 35:4-7a James 2:1-10(11-13)14-17 Mark 7:24-37
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 Jeremiah 18:1-11 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33	Psalm 1 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33

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## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 11 and 17 September (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. (John 13:34)
- (Year B) I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. (Galatians 6:14)
- (Year C) There is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents. (Luke 15:10)

### Collect

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 Exodus 14:19-31 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35	Psalm 103:(1-7) 8-13 Genesis 50:15-21 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 19 or Wisdom of Solomon 7:26-8:1 Proverbs 1:20-33 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38	Psalm 116:1-9 Isaiah 50:4-9a James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 14 Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10	Psalm 51:1-10 Exodus 32:7-14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 18 and 24 September (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son.
- (Year B) God has called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Thessalonians 2:14)
- (Year C) You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

### Collect

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 Exodus 16:2-15 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16	Psalm 145:1-8 Jonah 3:10-4:11 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 1 Proverbs 31:10-31 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37	Psalm 54 Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1, 12-22 or Jeremiah 11:18-20 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 79:1-9 Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13	Psalm 113 Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 25 September and 1 October (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. (John 10:27)
- (Year B) Your word, O Lord, is truth; sanctify us in the truth. (John 17:17)
- (Year C) You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

### Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasures; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Exodus 17:1-7 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32	Psalm 25:1-9 Ezekiel 18:1- 4, 25-32 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 124 Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50	Psalm 19:7-14 Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31	Psalm 146 Amos 6:1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

(Preface of the Lord's Day)



## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 2 and 8 October (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. (John 15:16)
- (Year B) If we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. (1 John 4:12)
- (Year C) The word of the Lord abides for ever. That word is the good news which was preached to you. (1 Peter 1:25)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 19 Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	Psalm 80:7-15 Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 26 Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16	Psalm 8 Genesis 2:18-24 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16
<u>Year C</u>	Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137 Lamentations 1:1-6 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10	Psalm 37:1-9 Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 9 and 15 October (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope to he has called us. (Ephesians 1:17-18)
- (Year B) Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)
- (Year C) Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

### Collect

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 Exodus 32:1-14 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14	Psalm 23 Isaiah 25:1-9 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 22:1-15 Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Hebrews 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31	Psalm 90:12-17 Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 Hebrews 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 66:1-12 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 2 Timothy 2: 8-15 Luke 17:11-19	Psalm 111 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c 2 Timothy 2: 8-15 Luke 17:11-19

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 16 and 22 October (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life. (Philippians 2:15-16)
- (Year B) The Son of man came also not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45)
- (Year C) The word of God is living and active; it sifts the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 99 Exodus 33:12-23 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22	Psalm 96:1-9 (10-13) Isaiah 45:1-7 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35b Job 38:1-7 (34-41) Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45	Psalm 91:9-16 Isaiah 53:4-12 Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 119:97-104 Jeremiah 31:27-34 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8	Psalm 121 Genesis 32: 22-31 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 23 and 29 October (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. (John 14:23)
- (Year B) Our Saviour Jesus Christ has abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. (2 Timothy 1:10)
- (Year C) God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Deuteronomy 34:1-12 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46	Psalm 1 Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22) Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52	Psalm 126 Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 65 Joel 2:23-32 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14	Psalm 84:1-7 Sirach 35:12-17 or Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## **The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 30 October and 5 November (Green)**

### Sentence

- (Year A) You have one Father, who is in heaven. You have one teacher, the Christ. (Matthew 23:9-10)
- (Year B) If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. (John 14:23)
- (Year C) God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

### Collect

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 Joshua 3:7-17 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:1-12	Psalm 43 Micah 3:5-12 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:1-12
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 146 Ruth 1:1-18 Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34	Psalm 119:1-8 Deuteronomy 6:1-9 Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 119:137-144 Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10	Psalm 32:1-7 Isaiah 1:10-18 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

**The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 6 and 12 November (Green)**

Sentence

- (Year A) Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. (Matthew 24:42)
- (Year B) Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)
- (Year C) Jesus Christ is the first-born of the dead; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1:5-6)

Collect

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 78:1-7 Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13	Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 or Psalm 70 Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 127 Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44	Psalm 146 1 Kings 17:8-16 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44
<u>Year C</u>	Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 or 98 Haggai 1:15b-2:9 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38	Psalm 17:1-9 Job 19:23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## The Season after Pentecost: Sunday between 13 and 19 November (Green)

### Sentence

- (Year A) I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. (John 15:5)
- (Year B) Watch at all times, praying that you may stand before the Son of man. (Luke 21:36)
- (Year C) Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. (Luke 21:28)

### Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 123 Judges 4:1-7 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30	Psalm 90:1-8 (9-11) 12 Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30
<u>Year B</u>	1 Samuel 2:1-10 1 Samuel 1:4-20 Hebrews 10:11-14(15-18) 19-25 Mark 13:1-8	Psalm 16 Daniel 12:1-3 Hebrews 10:11-14(15-18) 19-25 Mark 13:1-8
<u>Year C</u>	Isaiah 12 Isaiah 65:17-25 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19	Psalm 98 Malachi 4:1-2a 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19

(Preface of the Lord's Day)

## Christ the King (Sunday before Advent) (Gold or White)

### Sentence

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (Mark 11:9)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by Sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

	<u>First option (Semi-continuous)</u>	<u>Second option (Complementary)</u>
<u>Year A</u>	Psalm 100 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46	Psalm 95:1-7a Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46
<u>Year B</u>	Psalm 132:1-12 (13-18) 2 Samuel 23:1-7 Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37	Psalm 93 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37
<u>Year C</u>	Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79) Jeremiah 23:1-6 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43	Psalm 46 Jeremiah 23:1-6 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43

(Preface of the Lord's Day or of Baptism)



## Collects and Lectionary for Holy Days

### St Andrew: 30 November (Red)

#### Sentence

You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth. (Acts 1:8b)

#### Collect

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give us, who are called by your Holy Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Readings

Psalm 19:1-6

Isaiah 52: 7-10

Romans 10:12-18

Matthew 4:18-22

**(or)**

Psalm 19 (or) 19:1-6

Deuteronomy 30:11-14

Romans 10:8b-18

Matthew 4:18-22

(Preface of Apostles)

## **St Nicholas (Lesser Festival): 6 December (White)**

### ***The 1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.  
(Psalm 78:1)

#### Collect

Almighty Father, lover of souls, who chose your servant Nicholas to be a bishop in the Church, that he might give freely out of the treasures of your grace: Make us mindful of the needs of others and, as we have received, so teach us also to give; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Readings

Psalm 68:1-10

Isaiah 61:1-3

1 Timothy 6:6-11

Mark 10:13-16

**(or)**

### ***The 2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deed among the people  
(1 Chronicles 16:8)

#### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, we give you thanks for calling your servant Nicholas to spread the gospel of Christ: encourage the hearts and minds of Christians all over the world to join the ranks of missionaries, that they may spread the gospel and announce the coming of the heavenly kingdom; and that the Church may proclaim to the world that the whole fullness of God the Father dwells bodily in our Saviour Jesus Christ: we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 96 (or) 96:1-7

Isaiah 52:7-10

Acts 1:1-9

Luke 10:1-9

**(or)**

***The 3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. (Psalm 9:1)

Collect

Almighty God, it is your will to show forth your glory through the lives of saints, you have roused your servant Nicholas to be a light to the world: shine your light upon our hearts O Lord, so that in our lifetime we may praise and proclaim your amazing deed of calling us from darkness into wondrous light; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 98 (or) 98:1-4

Isaiah 49:1-6

Acts 17:22-31

Matthew 28:16-20

(Preface of Pentecost)

## **St Stephen: 26 December (Red)**

### Sentence

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:10)

### Collect

We give you thanks, O Lord of glory, for the example of the first martyr Stephen, who looked up to heaven and prayed for his persecutors to your Son Jesus Christ, who stands at your right hand; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 119:161-168

2 Chronicles 24:20-22

Acts 7:51-60

Matthew 10:17-22

**(or)**

Psalm 119:161-168

Acts 7:51-60

Galatians 2:16b-20

Matthew 10:17-22

**(or)**

Psalm 31 (or) 31:1-5

Jeremiah 26:1-9, 12-15

Acts 6:8-7:2a, 51b-60

Matthew 23:34-39

(Preface of the Incarnation)

**St John: 27 December (White)**

Sentence

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. (1 Corinthians 1:18)

Collect

Shed upon your Church, O Lord, the brightness of your light, that we, being illumined by the teaching of your apostle and evangelist John, may so walk in the light of your truth, that at length we may attain to the fullness of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 117

Exodus 33:7-11a

1 John 1

John 21:19b-25

**(or)**

Psalm 92 (or) 92:1-4, 11-14

Exodus 33:18-23

1 John 1:1-9

John 21:19b-24

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **The Holy Innocents: 28 December (Red)**

### Sentence

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:10)

### Collect

We remember today, O God, the slaughter of the holy innocents of Bethlehem by King Herod. Receive, we pray, into the arms of your mercy all innocent victims; and by your great might frustrate the designs of evil tyrants and establish your rule of justice, love, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 124

Jeremiah 31:15-17

1 Corinthians 1:26-29

Matthew 2:13-18

**(or)**

Psalm 124

Jeremiah 31:15-17

Revelation 21:1-7

Matthew 2:13-18

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **The Holy Name (1 January) (White)**

### Sentence

God spoke of our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. (Hebrews 1:1-2)

### Collect

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Saviour of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Readings (Year A, B, C)

Psalm 8

Numbers 6:22-27

Galatians 4:4-7 (or) Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 2:15-21

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## The Conversion of St Paul: 25 January (White)

### Sentence

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

### Collect

O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 67

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Acts 9:1-22

Matthew 19:27-30

**(or)**

Psalm 67

Acts 9:1-22

Galatians 1:11-16a

Matthew 19:27-30

**(or)**

Psalm 67

Acts 26:9-21

Galatians 1:11-24

Matthew 10:16-22

(Preface of Apostles)



**St Timothy and Titus (Lesser Festival): 26 January (White)**

Sentence

What you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. (2 Timothy 2:2)

**(or)**

In due time he revealed his word through the proclamation with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Saviour. (Titus 1:3)

Collect

Heavenly Father, who sent your apostle Paul to preach the gospel, and gave him Timothy and Titus to be his companions in faith: grant that our fellowship in the Holy Spirit may bear witness to the name of Jesus, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings

Psalm 100

Isaiah 61:1-3a

2 Timothy 2:1-8 (or) Titus 1:1-5

Luke 10:1-9

(Preface of All Saints)

## **Presentation of Christ: 2 February (White)**

### Sentence

This is a light to reveal God to the nations and the glory of his people. (Luke 2:32)

### Collect

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 84 (or) 24:7-10

Malachi 3:1-4

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **St Matthias: 24 February (Red)**

### Sentence

I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord; that you should go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. (John 15:16)

### Collect

Almighty God, who in the place of Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the Twelve: Grant that your Church, being delivered from false apostles, may always be guided and governed by faith and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 15

Isaiah 22:15-25

Acts 1:15-26

John 15:9-17

**(or)**

Psalm 15

Acts 1:15-26

1 Corinthians 4:1-7

John 15:9-17

**(or)**

Psalm 15

Acts 1:15-26

Philippians 3:13-21

John 15:1, 6-16

(Preface of Apostles)

## **St Joseph: 19 March (White)**

### Sentence

Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.  
(Psalm 84:4)

### Collect

O God, who from the family of your servant David raised up Joseph to be the guardian of your incarnate Son and the spouse of the Virgin Mary: Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to your commands; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 89:26-36

2 Samuel 7:4-16

Romans 4:13-18

Matthew 1:18-25

**(or)**

Psalm 89:1-29 (or) 89:1-4, 26-29

2 Samuel 7:4, 8-16

Romans 4:13-18

Luke 2:41-52

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **Annunciation of the Lord: 25 March (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory. (John 1:14)

### Collect

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

### Readings

Psalm 45 (or) 40:5-10

Isaiah 7:10-14

Hebrews 10:4-10

Luke 1:26-38

(Preface of the Epiphany)

**St Mark: 25 April (Red)**

Sentence

We preach Christ crucified, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.  
(1 Corinthians 1:23-24)

Collect

Almighty God, by the hand of Mark the evangelist you have given to your Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God: We thank you for this witness, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:9-16

Proverbs 15:28-33 or Acts 15:35-41

Ephesians 4:7-16

Mark 13:5-13

**(or)**

Psalm 2 or 2:7-10

Isaiah 52:7-10

Ephesians 4:7-8, 11-16

Mark 1:1-15 or Mark 16:15-20

(Preface of All Saints)

## **St Philip: 1 May (Red)**

### Sentence

Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it, says the Lord; that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (John 14:13)

### Collect

Almighty God, who gave to your apostle Philip grace and strength to bear witness to the truth: Grant that we, being mindful of their victory of faith, may glorify in life and death the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 119:1-8

Isaiah 30:15-21

Ephesians 1:3-10

John 14:1-14

**(or)**

Psalm 119:33-40

Isaiah 30:18-21

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

John 14:6-14

(Preface of Apostles)

## **St Christopher (Lesser Festival): 9 May (Red)**

### ***1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward.

(Hebrews 10:35)

#### Collect

Almighty God, you have given extraordinary courage to your servant Christopher, that he was able to stand before the powerful and mighty of this world and fearlessly confessed the holy name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. He steadfastly kept the faith passed down by the Apostles, and calmly died a martyr's death: prepare us O Lord, that we may confess our faith and hope at any time, and be willing to suffer indignation and adversity for the sake of our Lord; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Readings

Psalm 126 (or) 121

2 Esdras 2:42-48

1 Peter 3:14-18, 22

Matthew 10:16-22

(or)

### ***2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy. (James 1:2)

#### Collect

Almighty God, your blessed servant Christopher relied on your grace and strength and triumphed over all suffering, he had sacrificed his life to uphold the true faith: we now come before you in gratitude to commemorate him: give us grace O Lord, that we may witness the Lord faithfully all the days of our life, and stand beside him to



receive the crown of life; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 116 (or) 116:1-8

Sirach 51:1-12

Revelation 7:13-17

Luke 12:2-12

(or)

*3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:*

Sentence

And the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 1:14)

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have ignited the fire of love in the heart of the martyred Christopher: we are your humble servants, grant O Lord, that as we celebrate his victory, we may revere their pious deeds and receive countless gifts of grace; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 124 (or) 31:1-5

Jeremiah 15:15-21

1 Peter 4:12-19

Mark 8:34-38

(Preface of a Saint)

## **Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth: 31 May (White)**

### Sentence

And the angel came to her and said, “Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.”  
(Luke 1:28)

**(or)**

The angel said, “And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.” (Luke 1:45)

**(or)**

Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” (Luke 1:38)

### Collect

Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favour on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**(or)**

Father in heaven, by your grace the virgin mother of your incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping your word: Grant us who honour the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 113

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Romans 12:9-16b

Luke 1:39-57

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **St Barnabas: 11 June (Red)**

### Sentence

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

### Collect

Grant, O God, that we may follow the example of your faithful servant Barnabas, who, seeking not his own renown but the well-being of your Church, gave generously of his life and substance for the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 112

Job 29:11-16

Acts 11:19-30

John 15:12-17

**(or)**

Psalm 112

Acts 11:19-30

Galatians 2:1-10

John 15:12-17

**(or)**

Psalm 112

Isaiah 42:5-12

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

Matthew 10:7-16

(Preface of Apostles)

**St Basil the Great (Lesser Festival): 14 June (White)**

***1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:9)

Collect

Lord God, whose servant Basil proclaimed the mystery of your Word made flesh, to build up your Church in wisdom and strength: grant that we may rejoice in his presence among us, and so be brought with him to know the power of your unending love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 27

Wisdom of Solomon 7:15-22a

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Matthew 5:13-19

(or)

***2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:9)

Collect

O God, according to your will, some receive words of wisdom, others receive the language of knowledge and yet others receive constancy of faith, each receive their gifts through the same Holy Spirit: we praise you for the manifestation of your grace through your servant Basil, grant O Lord, that your Church may never lack such gifts of grace; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:97-104

Wisdom of Solomon 7:7-14

1 Corinthians 2:6-10, 13-16

John 17:18-23

(or)

*3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:*

Sentence

And that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth. (Ephesians 3:17-18)

Collect

Almighty God, you have bestowed special grace upon your servant Basil, that his understanding led him to impart the truth which is in Jesus Christ: give grace O Lord, that we may appreciate his instruction, recognise that you are the one true God, and comprehend the teaching of Jesus Christ whom you have sent to us; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:89-96

Proverbs 3:1-7

1 Corinthians 3:5-11

Matthew 13:47-52

(Preface of a Saint or of Trinity Sunday)

## **Nativity of St John the Baptist: 24 June (White)**

### Sentence

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way. (Luke 1:76)

### Collect

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour by preaching repentance: Make us so to follow his teaching and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and, following his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 85 (or) 85:7-13

Isaiah 40:1-11

Acts 13:14b-26 (or) Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 1:57-66 (67-69) 80

(Preface of Advent)

## **St Peter: 29 June (Red)**

### Sentence

Jesus said to Peter, I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail: Strengthen your brothers. (Luke 22:31-32)

### Collect

Almighty God, who inspired your apostle St Peter to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God: build up your Church upon this rock, that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ; who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 125

Ezekiel 3:22-27

Acts 12:1-11

Matthew 16:13-19

**(or)**

Psalm 125

Acts 12:1-11

1 Peter 2:19-25

Matthew 16:13-19

(Preface of Apostles)

## **St Thomas: 3 July (Red)**

### Sentence

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. (John 20:29)

### Collect

Everliving God, who strengthened your apostle Thomas with firm and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight; through him who lives and reign with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Readings

Psalm 31:1-6

Habakkuk 2:1-4

Ephesians 2:19-22

John 20:24-29

**(or)**

Psalm 126

Habakkuk 2:1-4

Hebrews 10:35-11:1

John 20:24-29

(Preface of Apostles)



**St Benedict the Nursia (Lesser Festival): 11 July (White)**

***1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Incline your ear and hear my words, and apply your mind to my teaching.  
(Proverbs 22:17)

Collect

Eternal God, who made Benedict a wise master in the school of your service and a guide to many called into community to follow the rule of Christ: grant that we may put your love before all else and seek with joy the way of your commandments; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:57-64

Proverbs 2:1-6

1 Corinthians 3:10-11

Luke 18:18-22

(or)

***2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passion, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. (Titus 2:11-12)

Collect

O God, your blessed Son has humbled himself so that we may reap a life of abundance: save us O Lord, that we may abstain from the enticement of the temporal world, let us take heed of the pious deeds of your servant Benedict, that we may serve you devotedly all the days of our life, we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 34 (or) 34:1-8

Song of Solomon 8:6-7

Philippians 3:7-15

Luke 12:33-37 (or) 9:57-62

(or)

**3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:**

Sentence

Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. (Luke 6:20b)

Collect

O God, by your gift of grace, your love burnt strong in the heart of your servant Benedict, and he exuded warmth and light in your Church: give grace O Lord, that your love and your spirit of self-restraint may also burn bright in our life, and that we may walk before you as children of light; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 133 (or) 119:161-168

Acts 2:42-47a

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Matthew 6:24-33

(Preface of a Saint)

## **St Mary Magdalene: 22 July (White)**

### Sentence

If any serve me, the Father will honour them. (John 12:26)

### Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of body and of mind, and called her to be a witness of his resurrection: Mercifully grant that by your grace we may be healed from all our infirmities and know you in the power of his unending life; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 42:1-8

Song of Solomon 3:1-4

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

John 20:1-2, 11-18

**(or)**

Psalm 42:1-7

Judith 9:1, 11-14

2 Corinthians 5:14-18

John 20:11-18

(Preface of All Saints)

## **St James: 25 July (Red)**

### Sentence

I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord; that you should go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. (John 15:16)

### Collect

O gracious God, we remember before you today your servant and apostle James, first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the Name of Jesus Christ; and we pray that you will pour out upon the leaders of your Church that spirit of self-denying service by which alone they may have true authority among your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 126

Acts 11:27-12:3

2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Matthew 20:20-28

**(or)**

Psalm 126 (or) 7:1-10

Jeremiah 45:1-5

Acts 11:27-12:3

Matthew 20:20-28

(Preface of Apostles)

## **The Transfiguration of Our Lord: 6 August (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. (Matthew 17:5)

### Collect

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 97

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

2 Peter 1:16-19

Luke 9:28-36

(or)

Psalm 99 (or) 99:5-9

Exodus 34:29-35

2 Peter 1:13-21

Luke 9:28-36

(Preface of the Epiphany)

## **St Bartholomew: 24 August (Red)**

### Sentence

Day after day proclaim the salvation of the Lord: tell his glory to all nations.  
(Psalm 96:2-3)

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your Word: Grant that your Church may love what he believed and preach what he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 145:1-7

Isaiah 43:8-13

Acts 5:12-16

Luke 22:24-30

**(or)**

Psalm 145:1-7

Acts 5:12-16

1 Corinthians 4:9-15

Luke 22:24-30

**(or)**

Psalm 91 or 91:1-4

Deuteronomy 18:15-18

1 Corinthians 4:9-15

Luke 22:24-30

(Preface of Apostles)

**St Augustine of Hippo (Lesser Festival): 28 August (White)**

***1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. (Psalm 43:3)

Collect

Merciful Lord, who turned Augustine from his sins to be a faithful bishop and teacher: Grant that we may follow him in penitence and discipline till our restless hearts find their rest in you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 84:1-5

Sirach 39:1-10

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 23:8-12

(or)

***2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:9)

Collect

O God, according to your will, some receive words of wisdom, others receive the language of knowledge and yet others receive constancy of faith, each receive their gifts through the same Holy Spirit: we praise you for the manifestation of your grace through your servant Augustine, grant O Lord, that your Church may never lack such gifts of grace; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:97-104

Wisdom of Solomon 7:7-14

1 Corinthians 2:6-10, 13-16

John 17:18-23

(or)

*3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:*

Sentence

And that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth. (Ephesians 3:17-18)

Collect

Almighty God, you have bestowed special grace upon your servant Augustine, that his understanding led him to impart the truth which is in Jesus Christ: give grace O Lord, that we may appreciate his instruction, recognise that you are the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent to us; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 119:89-96

Proverbs 3:1-7

1 Corinthians 3:5-11

Matthew 13:47-52

(Preface of a Saint or of Trinity Sunday)



## **The Blessed Virgin Mary: 8 September (White)**

### Sentence

Hail, O favoured one, the Lord is with you! The Holy Spirit will come upon you  
(Luke 1:28, 35)

### Collect

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 45:10-17

Isaiah 61:10-11 (or) Revelation 11:19-12:6, 10

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 1:46-55

**(or)**

Psalm 34 (or) 34:1-9

Isaiah 61:10-11

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 1:46-55

(Preface of the Incarnation)

## **Holy Cross Day: 14 September (Red)**

### Sentence

Jesus said, 'And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.'  
(John 12:32)

**(or)**

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. (Galatians 6:14)

### Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**(or)**

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 98:1-5 (or) 78:1-2, 34-38

Numbers 21:4b-9

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

John 3:13-17

(Preface of Holy Week)

## **St Matthew: 21 September (Red)**

### Sentence

Jesus said, 'You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' (Acts 1:8b)

### Collect

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Saviour; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 119:65-72

Proverbs 3:13-18

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Matthew 9:9-13

**(or)**

Psalm 119:33-40

Proverbs 3:1-6

2 Timothy 3:14-17

Matthew 9:9-13

(Preface of Apostles)

## St Michael and All Angels: 29 September (White)

### Sentence

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will. (Psalm 103:21)

### Collect

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 103:19-22

Revelation 12:7-12

Hebrews 1:5-14

John 1:47-51

**(or)**

Psalm 103 or 103:19-22

Genesis 28:10-17

Revelation 12:7-12

John 1:47-51

(Preface of Trinity Sunday)

**St Francis of Assisi (Lesser Festival): 4 October (White)**

Sentence

Jesus said, 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.' (Matthew 11:29)

*(or)*

Jesus said, 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; and you will find rest for your souls.' (Matthew 11:29)

Collect

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: Grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 100

Micah 6: 6-8

Galatians 6:14-18

Luke 12:22-34

(Preface of a Saint)

## **St Luke: 18 October (Red)**

### Sentence

Concerning the things which have been accomplished among us, it seemed good to me to write an orderly account for you that you may know the truth. (Luke 1:1-4)

### Collect

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 147:1-7

Isaiah 35:3-6 or Acts 16:6-12a

2 Timothy 4:5-17

Luke 10:1-9

**(or)**

Psalm 147 or 147:1-7

Sirach 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14

2 Timothy 4:5-13

Luke 4:14-21

(Preface of All Saints)

## **St Simon and St Jude: 28 October (Red)**

### Sentence

Beloved, build yourselves up on your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit. (Jude 1:20)

### Collect

O God, we thank you for the glorious company of the apostles, and especially on this day for Simon and Jude: and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 119:89-96

Isaiah 28:14-16

Ephesians 2:19-22

John 15:17-27

**(or)**

Psalm 119:89-96

Deuteronomy 32:1-4

Ephesians 2:13-22

John 15:17-27

(Preface of Apostles)

## All Saints' Day: 1 November (White)

### Sentence

Praise our God, all you his servants: you who fear him, both small and great.  
(Revelation 19:5)

### Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Readings

#### Year A

Psalm 34:1-10, 22  
Revelation 7:9-17  
1 John 3:1-3  
Matthew 5:1-12

#### Year B

Psalm 24  
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9  
(or) Isaiah 25:6-9  
Revelation 21:1-6a  
John 11:32-44

#### Year C

Psalm 149  
Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18  
Ephesians 1:11-23  
Luke 6:20-31

(Preface of All Saints)



**All Souls' Day (Lesser Festival): 2 November (Violet or White or Black)**

Sentence

Jesus said, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.' (John 12:24)

*(or)*

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.' (John 11:25-26)

Collect

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 23 (or) 27:1-5, 13-14

Lamentations 3:17-26, 31-33 (or) Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

Romans 5:5-11 (or) 1 Peter 1:3-9

John 5:19-25 (or) John 6:37-40

(Preface of the Commemoration of the Dead)

**St Clement (Lesser Festival): 23 November (Red)**

***The 1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward.  
(Hebrews 10:35)

Collect

Creator and Father of eternity, whose martyr Clement bore witness with his blood to the love he proclaimed and the gospel that he preached: Give us thankful hearts as we celebrate your faithfulness, revealed to us in the lives of your saints, and strengthen us in our pilgrimage as we follow your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 78:1-5a, 7

Proverbs 15:1-4

Philippians 3:17-4:3

Luke 14:7-11

(or)

***The 2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward.  
(Hebrews 10:35)

Collect

Almighty God, you have given extraordinary courage to your servant Clement, that he was able to stand before the powerful and mighty of this world and fearlessly confessed the holy name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. He steadfastly kept the faith passed down by the Apostles, and calmly died a martyr's death: prepare us O Lord, that we may confess our faith and hope at any time, and be willing to suffer indignation and adversity for the sake of our Lord; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 126 or 121

2 Esdras 2:42-48

1 Peter 3:14-18, 22

Matthew 10:16-22

(or)

***The 3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy. (James 1:2)

Collect

Almighty God, your blessed servant Clement relied on your grace and strength and triumphed over all suffering, he had sacrificed his life to uphold the true faith: we now come before you in gratitude to commemorate him: give us grace O Lord, that we may witness the Lord faithfully all the days of our life, and stand beside him to receive the crown of life; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 116 or 116:1-8

Sirach 51:1-12

Revelation 7:13-17

Luke 12:2-12

(or)

***The 4<sup>th</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

Sentence

The grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 1:14)

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have ignited the fire of love in the heart of the martyred Clement: we are your humble servants, grant O Lord, that as we celebrate his victory, we may revere their pious deeds and receive countless gifts of grace; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 124 or 31:1-5

Jeremiah 15:15-21

1 Peter 4:12-19

Mark 8:34-38

(Preface of a Saint)

## **St. Catharine of Alexandria (Lesser Festival): 25 November (Red)**

### ***The 1<sup>st</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward.  
(Hebrews 10:35)

#### Collect

Almighty God, you have given extraordinary courage to your servant Catharine, that she was able to stand before the powerful and mighty of this world and fearlessly confessed the holy name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. She steadfastly kept the faith passed down by the Apostles, and calmly died a martyr's death: prepare us O Lord, that we may confess our faith and hope at any time, and be willing to suffer indignation and adversity for the sake of our Lord; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Readings

Psalm 126 or 121

2 Esdras 2:42-48

1 Peter 3:14-18, 22

Matthew 10:16-22

(or)

### ***The 2<sup>nd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:***

#### Sentence

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy. (James 1:2)

#### Collect

Almighty God, your blessed servant Catharine relied on your grace and strength and triumphed over all suffering, she had sacrificed her life to uphold the true faith: we now come before you in gratitude to commemorate her: give us grace O Lord, that we may witness the Lord faithfully all the days of our life, and stand beside her to receive the crown of life; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 116 or 116:1-8

Sirach 51:1-12

Revelation 7:13-17

Luke 12:2-12

(or)

*The 3<sup>rd</sup> group—Collect and Readings:*

Sentence

The grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 1:14)

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have ignited the fire of love in the heart of the martyred Catharine: we are your humble servants, grant O Lord, that as we celebrate her victory, we may revere their pious deeds and receive countless gifts of grace; we ask this through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 124 or 31:1-5

Jeremiah 15:15-21

1 Peter 4:12-19

Mark 8:34-38

(Preface of a Saint)

## Collects and Lectionary for Various Occasions

### Ember Days (Red or Colour of the Season)

#### Sentence

Grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. (Ephesians 4:7)

#### Collect

##### 1. For those to be ordained

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, in your divine providence you have appointed various orders in your Church: Give your grace, we humbly pray, to all who are (now) called to any office and ministry for your people; and so fill them with the truth of your ministry for your people; and so fill them with the truth of your doctrine and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you, to the glory of your great Name and for the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Preface of Apostles)

##### 2. For the choice of fit persons for the ministry

O God, you led your holy apostles to ordain ministers in ever place: Grant that your Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may choose suitable persons for the ministry of Word and Sacrament, and may uphold them in their work for the extension of your kingdom; through him who is the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Preface of the Season)

##### 3. For all Christians in their vocation

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Preface of Baptism or of the Season)

## Readings

(Any of the following sets of Readings may be used.)

1. Psalm 99 (or) 27:1-9  
Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29  
1 Corinthians 3:5-11  
John 4:31-38
  
2. Psalm 63:1-8  
1 Samuel 3:1-10  
Ephesians 4:11-16  
Matthew 9:35-38
  
3. Psalm 15  
Exodus 19:3-8  
1 Peter 4:7-11  
Matthew 16:24-27

## **Rogation Days (White)**

### Sentence

May the goodness of the Lord be upon us; may he prosper the work of our hands.  
(Psalm 90:17)

### Collect

#### 1. For fruitful seasons

Almighty God, Lord of heaven and earth: we humbly pray that your gracious providence may give and preserve to our use the harvests of the land and of the seas, and may prosper all who labour to gather them, that we, who are constantly receiving good things from your hand, may always give thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Preface of the Season)

#### 2. For commerce and industry

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ in his earthly life shared our toil and hallowed our labour: be present with your people where they work; make those who carry on the industries and commerce of this land responsive to your will; and give to us all a pride in what we do, and a just return for our labour; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Preface of the Season)

#### 3. For stewardship of creation

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the need of every living creature: make us always thankfully for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering that account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Preface of the Season)



## Readings

(Any of the following sets of Readings may be used.)

1. Psalm 147 or 147:1-13  
Deuteronomy 11:10-15 (or) Ezekiel 47:6-12 (or) Jeremiah 14:1-9  
Romans 8:18-25  
Mark 4:26-32
  
2. Psalm 107:1-9  
Sirach 38:27-32  
1 Corinthians 3:10-14  
Matthew 6:19-24
  
3. Psalm 104:25-37 (or) 104:1, 13-15, 25-32  
Job 38:1-11, 16-18  
1 Timothy 6:7-10, 17-19  
Luke 12:13-21

## **On the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church (Gold or White)**

### Sentence

How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. (Genesis 28:17)

### Collect

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshipped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*(or)*

Everliving Father, watchful and caring, our source and our end: All that we are and all that we have is yours. Accept us now, as we dedicate this place to which we come to praise your Name, to ask your forgiveness, to know your healing power, to hear your Word, and to be nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son. Be present always to guide and to judge, to illumine and to bless your people. This we pray in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 84 (or) 84:1-6

1 Kings 8:22-30 (or) Gen 28:10-17

1 Peter 2:1-5, 9-10

Matthew 21:12-16

(Preface of the Dedication of a Church)

## **Marriage (White)**

### Sentence

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.  
(1 John 4:16b)

### Collect

#### **(For Rite II of the Marriage Liturgy and Rite II of the Marriage Liturgy including a Celebration of Eucharist)**

Most gracious God, you have created us in your image and have blessed creation with abundant life. Pour out your blessings upon \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship, in holiness and commitment to each other, and in a Christian way build up their family. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **(For a Service of Blessing of Marriage)**

God our Father, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law. Grant to your servants \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that, loving one another, they may continue in your love until their lives' end: through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm: Any of the following sets of Psalms may be used  
37: 3-7; 67; 121; 127; 128; 148:1-6

Old Testament: Any of the following sets of Reading may be used  
Genesis 1:26-28 (26-29, 31); Genesis 2:4-9, 15-24; Ruth 1:16-17;  
Song of Solomon 2:10-13, 8:6-7; Song of Solomon 2:8-14;  
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12; Tobit 8:5b-8

Epistles: Any of the following sets of Reading may be used  
Romans 12:4-13; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Ephesians 3:14-19;  
Ephesians 4:1-6; Ephesians 5:1-2, 21-33; Philippians 1:9-11;  
Philippians 4:4-9; Colossians 3:12-17; 1 John 3:18-24; 1 John 4:7-16

Gospel: Any of the following sets of Reading may be used  
Matthew 5:1-10; Matthew 5:13-16; Matthew 7:21, 24-29; Mark  
10:6-9, 13-16; Luke 12:22-31; Luke 12:32-34; John 2 : 1-11; John  
15:1-8; John 15:9-12

(Preface of Marriage)

## **Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (Violet or White or Black)**

### Sentence

Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, so will it be for those who have died: God will bring them to life with Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 4:14)

### Collect

Eternal Lord God, you hold all souls in life: Give to your whole Church in paradise and on earth your light and your peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served you here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into your unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**(or)**

Almighty God, we remember before you today your faithful servant \_\_\_\_\_; and we pray that, having opened to him (her) the gates of larger life, you will receive him (her) more and more into your joyful service, that, with all who have faithfully served you in the past, he (she) may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 116 (or) 103:13-22 (or) 130

Isaiah 25:6-9 (or) Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

John 5:24-27 (or) 6:37-40 (or) 11:21-27

(Preface of the Commemoration of the Dead)

## **For a Synod (Colour of the Season)**

### **Sentence**

To crown all thing there must be love, to bind all together and to complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. (Colossians 3:14-15)

### **Collect**

Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with his grace and presence, the bishops and the other clergy and the laity here (*or now, or soon to be*) assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfil all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, you Son Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Readings**

Psalm 19:7-14

Isaiah 55:1-13

2 Corinthians 4:1-10

John 15:1-11

(Preface of Pentecost or of the Season)

## **For the Unity of the Church (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

There is one body, and one Spirit, one hope held out in God's call to us: one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all. (Ephesians 4:4-6)

### Collect

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, you Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 122

Isaiah 35:1-10

Ephesians 4:1-6

John 17:6a, 15-23

(Preface of Baptism or of Trinity Sunday)

## **For the Mission of the Church (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

Proclaim the glory of the Lord among the nations, his marvellous deeds to all peoples: great is the Lord, worthy of praise. (Psalm 96:3-4)

### Collect

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**(or)**

O God of all nations of the earth: Remember the multitude who have been created in your image but have not known the redeeming work of our Saviour Jesus Christ; and grant that, by the prayers and labours of your holy Church, they may be brought to know and worship you as you have been revealed in your Son; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 96 or 96:1-7

Isaiah 2:2-4

Ephesians 2:13-22

Luke 10:1-9

**(or)**

Psalm 67

Isaiah 49:5-13

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 28:16-20

(Preface of the Season or of Pentecost)

## **For the Nation (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

To the only God, our Saviour through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and for ever. (Jude 1:25)

### Collect

Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly pray that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favour and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion us into one united people. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise and glorify your holy Name among the nations of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 47

Isaiah 26:1-8

Romans 13:1-10

Mark 12:13-17

(Preface of Trinity Sunday)



## **For Peace (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

Try to grow perfect; help one another; be united; live in peace, and the God love and peace with be with you. (2 Corinthians 13:11)

### Collect

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 85:7-13

Micah 4:1-5

Ephesians 2:13-18 (or) Colossians 3:12-15

John 16:23-33 (or) Matthew 5:43-48

(Preface of the Season)

## **For Social Service (Colour of the Season)**

### **Sentence**

Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord and not men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward; you are serving the Lord Christ. (Colossians 3:23-24)

### **Collect**

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Readings**

Psalm 146 (or) 22:22-27

Zechariah 8:3-12, 16-17

1 Peter 4:7-11

Mark 10:42-52

(Preface of the Season)

## **For Education (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

God understands the way to wisdom, and he knows its place; and he said to man, 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.' (Job 28:23, 28)

### Collect

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom: Enlighten by your Holy Spirit those who teach and those learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 78:1-7

Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-25

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Matthew 11:25-30

(Preface of the Season)

## **For Medical Work (Colour of the Season)**

### Sentence

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.  
(Matthew 9:35)

### Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ went about doing good, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people: Continue, we pray, this his gracious work among us, especially in the hospitals and infirmaries of our land; cheer, heal, and sanctify the sick; grant to the physicians, surgeons, and nurse wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience; and send down your blessing on all who labour to prevent suffering and to forward your purposes of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Readings

Psalm 30:1-6

Sirach 38:1-6

James 5:13-16

Matthew 11:1-6 (or) Luke 4:31-40

(Preface of the Season)