

Lectionary – Year A (2022-2023)

Date	Festival	Readings	Theme
27 Nov 22	1 st Sunday of Advent	Psalm 122 Isaiah 2:1-5 God's kingdom of peace Romans 13:11-14 Our salvation is near Matthew 24:36-44 No one knows the day or hour	
4 Dec 22	2 nd Sunday of Advent	Psalm 72:1-7,18,19 Isaiah 11:1-10 The longed-for Messiah Romans 15:4-13 Good news for the Gentiles Matthew 3:1-12 The kingdom of heaven is at hand!	
11 Dec 22	3 rd Sunday of Advent	Psalm 146:5-10 Isaiah 35:1-10 God himself will come to save us James 5:7-10 Do not lose heart Matthew 11:2-11 Jesus and John the Baptist	
18 Dec 22	4 th Sunday of Advent	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Isaiah 7:10-16 A virgin will conceive Romans 1:1-7 Jesus, son of David, Son of God Matthew 1:18-25 God's call to Joseph	
24 Dec 22	Christmas Eve	Psalm 96 Isaiah 9:2-7 A Son is given to us Titus 2:11-14 The grace of God has appeared Luke 2:1-14 (15-20) Today the Saviour is born	
25 Dec 22	Christmas Day	Psalm 98 Isaiah 52:7-10 The salvation of our God Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12) God speaks to us through his Son John 1:1-14 The eternal Word has become a human being	

1 Jan 23	Name of Jesus	Numbers 6:22-27 The priestly blessing Psalm 8 Philippians 2:5-11 At the name of Jesus every knee will bow Luke 2:15-21 The naming and circumcision of Jesus	
8 Jan 23	Baptism of our Lord	Isaiah 42:1-9 The Lord's servant is a light to the nations Psalm 29 Acts 10:34-43 Jesus anointed with the Spirit and power Matthew 3:13-17 The baptism of Jesus	
15 Jan 23	Festival of the Conversion of St Paul	Acts 9:1-22 Christ appears to Saul on the road to Damascus Psalm 67 Galatians 1:11-24 Paul received the gospel through a revelation of Jesus Christ Luke 21:10-19 Persecution becomes an opportunity for witness	
22 Jan 23	3 rd Sunday after Epiphany	Isaiah 9:1-4 People who have lived in darkness have seen a great light Psalm 27:1,4-9 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 An appeal to avoid factions Matthew 4:12-23 Jesus begins his work - light has dawned	
29 Jan 23	4 th Sunday after Epiphany	Micah 6:1-8 The Lord's case against Israel Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 God chooses the weak Matthew 5:1-12 The beatitudes - life in God's kingdom	
5 Feb 23	HARVEST THANKSGIVING	Deuteronomy 8:7-18 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Luke 12:16-30	
12 Feb 23	6 th Sunday after Epiphany	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 The two ways - life or death Psalm 119:1-8 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Divisions in the Corinthian church Matthew 5:21-37 Jesus' radical teaching of the law	
19 Feb 23	Transfiguration of our Lord	Exodus 24:12-18 Moses on the mountain with God Psalm 2 2 Peter 1:16-21 Listen to us - we saw Christ's glory Matthew 17:1-9 The transfiguration of Jesus	
22 Feb 23	Ash Wednesday	Isaiah 58:1-12 A fast acceptable to the Lord Psalm 51:1-17 2 Corinthians 5:20b - 6:10 Be reconciled to God Matthew 6:1-6,16-21 Giving to the poor, praying, and fasting	

26 Feb 23	1st Sunday in Lent	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 The creation and fall Psalm 32 Romans 5:12-19 Death through Adam, life through Christ Matthew 4:1-11 The temptation of Jesus	
5 Mar 23	2nd Sunday in Lent	Genesis 12:1-4a The call of Abraham Psalm 121 Romans 4:1-5,13-17 Abraham, our father, justified by faith John 3:1-17 God so loved the world that he gave his only Son	
12 Mar 23	3rd Sunday in Lent	Exodus 17:1-7 The Israelites put God to the test Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-11 While we were still sinners, Christ died for us John 4:5-42 Jesus and the Samaritan woman	
19 Mar 23	4th Sunday in Lent	1 Samuel 16:1-13 Samuel anoints David as king of Israel Psalm 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 Live as children of the light John 9:1-41 Jesus opens the eyes of a man born blind	
26 Mar 23	5 th Sunday in Lent	Ezekiel 37:1-14 Vision of the valley of dry bones Psalm 130 Romans 8:6-11 The Spirit of God lives in you John 11:1-45 The raising of Lazarus - Jesus' last sign	
2 Apr 23	Palm Sunday	Matthew 21:1-11 Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem Isaiah 50:4-9a The obedience of the Lord's servant Psalm 118:1,2,19-29 Philippians 2:5-11 Christ - obedient servant and exalted Lord	
6 Apr 23	Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1-4(5-10)11-14 The institution of the Passover Psalm 116:1,2,12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 The institution of the Lord's supper John 13:1-17,31b-35 Jesus washes his disciples' feet	
7 Apr 23	Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12 The Suffering Servant of God (fourth 'Servant Song') Psalm 22 Hebrews 10:16-25 Jesus, our priest and sacrifice John 18:1 - 19:42 The passion according to St John	
9 Apr 23	Easter Day	Acts 10:34-43 Summary of Jesus' life and ministry Psalm 118:1,2,14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Your life is hidden with Christ in God John 20:1-18 Mary finds the tomb empty and Jesus appears to her	

16 Apr 23	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Peter gives witness that God raised Jesus Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 New birth through the resurrection of Christ John 20:19-31 Thomas sees the risen Christ and believes	
23 Apr 23	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Acts 2:14a,36-41 Three thousand people repent and are baptised Psalm 116:1-4,12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Set free by the sacrifice of Christ Luke 24:13-35 Jesus made known in the breaking of the bread	
30 April 23	4 th Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday	Acts 2:42-47 Life and worship in the apostolic church Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 The shepherd and bishop of our souls John 10:1-10 Jesus, the gate for the sheep	
7 May 23	5 th Sunday of Easter <i>Mother's Day</i>	Acts 7:55-60 The death of Stephen Psalm 31:1-5,15,16 1 Peter 2:2-10 God's chosen people, a royal priesthood John 14:1-14 Jesus the way to the Father	
14 May 23	6 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 17:22-31 Paul in Athens Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 Suffering for doing right John 14:15-21 The promise of the Holy Spirit	
21 May 23	The Ascension of our Lord	Acts 1:1-11 Jesus' ascension, promise and commission Psalm 110 Ephesians 1:15-23 Christ is the supreme Lord over all things Luke 24:44-53 Jesus commissions and blesses the disciples	
28 May 23	Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21 The coming of the Holy Spirit Psalm 104:24-34, 35b 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 The gifts of the Spirit John 7:37-39 Jesus promises streams of life-giving water	
4 Jun 23	Holy Trinity 1 st Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a The Triune God creates the world through his word Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-14 The apostolic blessing in the name of the Triune God Matthew 28:16-20 The great commission in the name of the Triune God	
11 Jun 23	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 18:1-15 The Lord appears to Abraham to announce the birth of Isaac Psalm 116:1,2,12-19 Romans 5:1-8 Christ died for the ungodly Matthew 9:35 – 10:8 Jesus sends out the Twelve	

18 Jun 23	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 21:8-21 God's promise to Hagar and Ishmael Psalm 86:1-10,16,17 Romans 6:1b-11 Dead to sin, but alive to Christ Matthew 10:24-39 Do not be afraid; take up your cross and follow Christ	
25 Jun 23	4 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 21:8-21 God's promise to Hagar and Ishmael Psalm 86:1-10,16,17 Romans 6:1b-11 Dead to sin, but alive to Christ Matthew 10:24-39 Do not be afraid; take up your cross and follow Christ	
2 Jul 23	5 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 22:1-14 The sacrifice of Isaac: God tests Abraham Psalm 13 Romans 6:12-23 You have become slaves to righteousness Matthew 10:40-42 Whoever welcomes you welcomes me	
9 Jul 23	6 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 24:34-38,42-49,58-67 Abraham's servant finds a wife for Isaac Psalm 45:10-17 Romans 7:15-25a The struggle of the sinner-saint Matthew 11:16-19,25-30 Jesus reveals the Father, and the weary find rest in him	

16 Jul 23	7 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 25:19-34 Jacob gains the birthright of Esau Psalm 119:105-112 Romans 8:1-11 You are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit Matthew 13:1-9,18-23 The parable of the sower	
23 Jul 23	8 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Bible Sunday</i>	Genesis 28:10-19a Jacob dreams of a ladder from heaven to earth Psalm 139:1-12,23,24 Romans 8:12-25 Our future glory is beyond compare Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 The parable of the weeds	
30 July 23	9 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 29:15-28 Jacob works 14 years to marry Rachel Psalm 105:1-11,45b Romans 8:26-39 Nothing can separate us from the love of God Matthew 13:31-33,44-52 Parables of the kingdom	
6 Aug 23	10 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 32:22-31 Jacob wrestles with God Psalm 17:1-7,15 Romans 9:1-5 Paul's sorrow for his own people Matthew 14:13-21 Jesus feeds the five thousand	

13 Aug 23	11 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 37:1-4,12-28 Joseph sold into slavery in Egypt Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, Romans 10:5-15 The word of the Lord is near you Matthew 14:22-33 Jesus walks on the water	
20 Aug 23	12 th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 45:1-15 Joseph reveals himself to his brothers Psalm 133 Romans 11:1,2a,29-32 The salvation of the Jews as well as the Gentiles Matthew 15:21-28 The healing of an unclean woman's daughter	
27 Aug 23	13 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 1:8 - 2:10 The slavery of Israel and the birth of Moses Psalm 124 Romans 12:1-8 The basis of ethics, and advice on gifts Matthew 16:13-20 Peter declares Jesus to be the Christ	
3 Sep 23	14 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Father's Day</i>	Exodus 3:1-15 The call of Moses Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, Romans 12:9-21 Living in love Matthew 16:21-28 Jesus speaks about his death and discipleship	
10 Sep 23	15 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 12:1-14 The Lord institutes the Passover Psalm 149 Romans 13:8-14 The debt of love Matthew 18:15-20 Steps towards reconciliation	
17 Sep 23	16 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 14:19-31 The crossing of the Red Sea Psalm 114 Romans 14:1-12 The strong and the weak in faith Matthew 18:21-35 Parable of the unforgiving servant	
24 Sep 23	17 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 16:2-15 Bread from heaven in the desert Psalm 105:1-6,37-45 Philippians 1:21-30 Living for Christ Matthew 20:1-16 The workers in the vineyard	
1 Oct 23	18 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 17:1-7 God gives water from a rock Psalm 78:1-4,12-16 Philippians 2:1-13 The humility and exaltation of Christ Matthew 21:23-32 Which son obeyed his father?	

8 Oct 23	19 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 20:1-20 The Ten Commandments Psalm 19 Philippians 3:4b-14 Everything loss compared to Christ Matthew 21:33-46 Parable of the tenants in the vineyard	
15 Oct 23	20 th Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 32:1-14 God's people worship a golden calf Psalm 106:1-6,19-23 Philippians 4:1-9 Rejoice in the Lord always Matthew 22:1-14 The parable of the wedding feast	
22 Oct 23	21 st Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 33:12-23 The Lord shows his glory to Moses Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Serving God in faith, hope, and love Matthew 22:15-22 The question about paying taxes	
29 Oct 23	<i>Commemoration of the Reformation</i>	Deuteronomy 34:1-12 The death of Moses Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28 <i>Justification by faith</i> Matthew 22:34-46 The great commandment	
5 Nov 23	<i>All Saints</i>	Revelation 7:9-17 <i>Saints around the throne of God</i> Psalm 34:1-10,22 1 John 3:1-3 <i>We are God's children</i> Matthew 5:1-12 <i>The beatitudes</i>	
12 Nov 23	24 th Sunday after Pentecost	Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25 Israel promises to serve the Lord Psalm 78:1-7 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Questions about the Lord's coming Matthew 25:1-13 Parable of the wise and foolish girls	
19 Nov 23	25 th Sunday after Pentecost	Judges 4:1-7 Deborah, one of the judges Psalm 123 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Be ready for the Lord's coming Matthew 25:14-30 The parable of the talents	
26 Nov 23	Last Sunday of Church Year	Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24 The Lord himself will be the Shepherd King Psalm 100 Ephesians 1:15-23 Christ reigns at God's right hand Matthew 25:31-46 The King's final judgment	