# Gospel Readings for Sundays and Holy Days *The Book of Common Prayer* (American 1928)

#### ADVENT SEASON

First Sunday in Advent: St. Matthew 21:1-13 (Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem) Second Sunday in Advent: St. Luke 21:25-33 (Coming of the Son of Man) Third Sunday in Advent: St. Matthew 11:2-10 (Jesus Praises John the Baptist) Fourth Sunday in Advent: St. John 1:19-28 (Testimony of John the Baptist)

# **CHRISTMASTIDE**

Christmas Day, December 25: St. John 1:1-14 (In the Beginning Was the Word)

St. Luke 2:1-14 (Jesus is Born in a Manger in Bethlehem)

First Sunday After Christmas Day: St. Matthew 1:18-25 (The Angel of the Lord Appears in a Dream to Joseph) Second Sunday After Christmas Day: St. Matthew 2:19-23 (The Holy Family Returns to Israel from Egypt)

### EPIPHANY SEASON (MANIFESTATION OF CHRIST TO THE GENTILES)

First Sunday After Epiphany: St. Luke 2:41-52 (The Boy Jesus in the Temple)

Second Sunday After Epiphany: St. Mark 1:1-11 (The Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist)

Third Sunday After Epiphany: St. John 2:1-11 (The Marriage at Cana)

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany: St. Matthew 8:1-13 (Jesus Cleanses a Leper and Heals the Centurion's Servant)

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany: St. Matthew 13:24-30 (Parable of Weeds and Tares) Sixth Sunday After Epiphany: St. Matthew 24:23-31 (Discerning the Real Christ)

#### PRE-LENTEN SEASON

Septuagesima: St. Matthew 20:1-16 (Laborers in the Vineyard)

Sexagesima: St. Luke 8:4-15 (Parable of the Sower)

Quinquagesima: St. Luke 18:31-43 (Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection, and Heals a Blind Man)

## LENTEN SEASON

First Sunday in Lent: St. Matthew 4:1-11 (Temptation of Jesus in the Desert) Second Sunday in Lent: St. Matthew 15:21-28 (The Canaanite Woman's Faith)

Third Sunday in Lent: St. Luke 11:14-27 (Jesus and Beelzebub)

Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday): St. John 6:1-14 (Feeding of the Five Thousand)

Fifth Sunday in Lent (Passion Sunday): St. John 8:46-59 (Jesus and Abraham)

Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday): St. Matthew 27:1-54 (Arrest, Crucifixion, and Death of Jesus)

#### **EASTERTIDE**

Easter Day: St. John 20:1-10 (The Resurrection of Jesus)

First Sunday After Easter: St. John 20:19-23 (Jesus Gives the Disciples Power to Forgive Sins)

Second Sunday After Easter: St. John 10:11-16 (Jesus the Good Shepherd) Third Sunday After Easter: St. John 16:16-22 (Sorrow Will Turn into Joy) Fourth Sunday After Easter: St. John 16:5-15 (The Work of the Spirit)

Fifth Sunday After Easter (Rogation Sunday): St. John 16:23b-33 (Peace for the Disciples)

#### ASCENSIONTIDE

Sunday After Ascension Day: St. John 15:26-16:4 (The World's Hatred)

## WHITSUNTIDE

Pentecost (Whitsunday): St. John 14:15-31 (The Promise of the Holy Spirit)

#### TRINITY SEASON

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Trinity Sunday: St. John 3:1-15 (Nicodemus Visits Jesus)
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The 1st Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 16:19-31 (Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus)

The 2nd Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 14:16-24 (Parable of the Great Banquet)

The 3rd Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 15:1-7 (Parable of the Lost Sheep)

The 4th Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 6:36-42 (Judging Others)

The 5th Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 5:1-11(Jesus Calls His First Disciples)

The 6th Sunday After Trinity: St. Matthew 5:20-26 (Righteousness and the Kingdom of God)

The 7th Sunday After Trinity: St. Mark 8:1-10 (Feeding the Four Thousand)

The 8th Sunday After Trinity: St. Matthew 7:15-21 (Beware of False Prophets)

The 9th Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 15:11-32 (Parable of the Prodigal Son)

The 10th Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 19:41-47a (Jesus Cleanses the Temple)

The 11th Sunday After Trinity: St. Luke 18:9-14 (Parable of the Pharisees and the Tax Collector)

The 12th Sunday After Trinity: St. Mark 7:31-37 (Jesus Cures a Deaf Man)

The 13th Sunday after Trinity: St. Luke 10:23-37 (Parable of the Good Samaritan)

The 14th Sunday after Trinity: St. Luke 17:11-19 (Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers)

The 15th Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 6:24-34 (Be Not Anxious About Tomorrow)

The 16th Sunday after Trinity: St. Luke 7:11-17 (Jesus Raises the Widow's Son at Nain)

The 17th Sunday after Trinity: St. Luke 14:1-11 (Jesus Heals a Man With Dropsy on the Sabbath)

The 18th Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 22:34-46 (Who is the Christ?)

The 19th Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 9:1-8 (Jesus Heals a Paralytic)

The 20th Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 22:1-14 (Parable of the Marriage Feast)

The 21st Sunday after Trinity: St. John 4:46-54 (Jesus Heals the Son of an Official)

The 22nd Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 18:21-35 (Parable of the Unmerciful Servant)

The 23rd Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 22:15-22 (Question About Paying Taxes)

The 24th Sunday after Trinity: St. Matthew 9:18-26 (A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed)

The Sunday Next Before Advent: St. John 6:5-14 (Feeding the Five Thousand)

## **HOLY DAYS**

Saint Andrew the Apostle (November 30): St. Matthew 4:18-22

Saint Thomas the Apostle (December 21): St. John 20:24-31

Saint Stephen, Deacon and Martyr (December 26): St. Matthew 23:34-39

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist (December 27): St. John 21:19-25

The Holy Innocents (December 28): St. Matthew 2:13-18

The Circumcision of Christ (January 1): St. Luke 2:15-21

The Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles (January 6): St. Matthew 2:1-12

The Conversion of Saint Paul (January 25): St. Matthew 19:27-30

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (February 2): St. Luke 2:22-40

(also called "The Purification of Saint Mary the Virgin")

Saint Matthias the Apostle (February 24): St. Matthew 11:25-30

The Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary (March 25): St. Luke 1:26-38

Saint Philip and Saint James, Apostles (May 1): St. John 14:1-14

Saint Barnabas the Apostle (June 11): St. John 15:12-16

Saint John the Baptist (June 24): St. Luke 1: 57-80

Saint Peter the Apostle (June 29): St. Matthew 16:13-19

Saint James the Apostle (July 25): St. Matthew 20:20-28

The Transfiguration of Christ (August 6): St. Luke 9:28-36

Saint Bartholomew the Apostle (August 24): St. Luke 22:24-30

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (September 21): St. Matthew 9:9-13

Feast of St. Michael and All Angels (September 28): St. Matthew 18:1-10

Saint Luke the Evangelist (October 18): St. Luke 10:1-7

Saint Simon and Saint Jude, Apostles (October 28): St. John 15:17-27

All Saints' Day (November 1): St. Matthew 5:1-11

Feast of Christ the King (Last Sunday in October): St. John 18:33-37