



THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

Year 'B' REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY 2023 – 2024

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ADVENT

A season of preparation, beginning on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, in which the church recalls its hope and expectation in the coming of Christ, past, present and future.

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
Dec 3 2023	Advent 1	Is 64:1-9	Ps 80:1-7,17-19	1 Cor 1:3-9	Mk 13:24-37	P
Dec 10 2023	Advent 2	Is 40:1-11	Ps 85:1-2, 8-13	2 Pt 3:8-15a	Mk 1:1-8	P
Dec 17 2023	Advent 3	Is 61:1-4, 8-11	Ps 126 or Luke 1:46b-55	1 Thes 5:16-24	Jn 1:6-8,19-28	P
Dec 24 2023	Advent 4	2 Sm 7:1-11,16	Lk 1:46b-55 or Ps 89:1-4,19-26	Rom 16:25-27	Lk 1:26-38	P

CHRISTMAS

The Christmas season includes Christmas Eve/Day and the twelve days of Christmas. It recalls the stories of the birth and infancy of Christ. The church in this time celebrates the wonder of the incarnation. (Any of the Nativity selections may be used either for Christmas Day or Christmas Eve services.)

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
Dec 24/25 2023	Nativity 1	Is 9:2-7	Ps 96	Ti 2:11-14	Lk 2:1-14, (15-20)	W
	Nativity 2	Is 62:6-12	Ps 97	Ti 3:4-7	Lk 2:(1-7), 8-20	W
	Nativity 3	Is 52:7-10	Ps 98	Heb 1:1-4, (5-12)	Jn 1:1-14	W
Dec 31 2023	Christmas 1	Is 61:10-62:3	Ps 148	Gal 4:4-7	Lk 2:22-40	W
Jan 1 2024	Naming of Jesus	Num 6:22-27	Ps 8	Gal 4:4-7 or Phil 2:5-11	Lk 2:15-21	W
Jan 1 2024	New Year's Day	Ecc 3:1-13	Ps 8	Rev 21:1-6a	Mt 25:31-46	W

EPIPHANY

An 'Epiphany' is a revealing, appearing or manifesting of something or someone, and in this season the church reflects on the manifestation of Christ to all people. The length of this period varies depending on the date of Easter.

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
Jan 6 2024	Epiphany	Is 60:1-6	Ps 72:1-7,10-14	Eph 3:1-12	Mt 2:1-12	W
Jan 7 2024	Baptism of Jesus	Gn 1:1-5	Ps 29	Acts 19:1-7	Mk 1:4-11	W
Jan 14 2024	Epiphany 2	1 Sm 3:1-10, (11-20)	Ps 139:1-6,13-18	1 Cor 6:12-20	Jn 1:43-51	G
Jan 21 2024	Epiphany 3	Jon 3:1-5, 10	Ps 62:5-12	1 Cor 7:29-31	Mk 1:14-20	G
Jan 28 2024	Epiphany 4	Dt 18:15-20	Ps 111	1 Cor 8:1-13	Mk 1:21-28	G
Feb 2 2024	Presentation of the Lord	Mal 3:1-4	Ps 84 or Ps 24:7-10	Heb 2:14-18	Lk 2:22-40	G
Feb 4 2024	Epiphany 5	Is 40:21-31	Ps 147:1-11, 20c	1 Cor 9:16-23	Mk 1:29-39	G
Feb 11 2024	Transfiguration of Jesus	2 Kgs 2:1-12	Ps 50:1-6	2 Cor 4:3-6	Mk 9:2-9	W

LENT

A season of preparation and discipline that begins with Ash Wednesday and concludes at sundown on Holy Saturday. During the forty weekdays and six Sundays in Lent, the church remembers the life and ministry of Jesus and renews its commitment to him in Christian discipleship. The season is the traditional time to prepare for baptisms and confirmations to be celebrated at the Easter Vigil or on Easter Sunday, or during the season of Easter.

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
Feb 14 2024	Ash Wednesday	Jl 2:1-2,12-17 or Is 58:1-12	Ps 51:1-17	2 Cor 5:20b-6:10	Mt 6:1-6,16-21	P
Feb 18 2024	Lent 1	Gn 9:8-17	Ps 25:1-10	1 Pt 3:18-22	Mk 1:9-15	P
Feb 25 2024	Lent 2	Gn 17:1-7, 15-16	Ps 22:23-31	Rom 4:13-25	Mk 8:31-38 or Mk 9:2-9	P
Mar 3 2024	Lent 3	Ex 20:1-17	Ps 19	1 Cor 1:18-25	Jn 2:13-22	P
Mar 10 2024	Lent 4	Nm 21:4-9	Ps 107:1-3,17-22	Eph 2:1-10	Jn 3:14-21	P
Mar 17 2024	Lent 5	Jer 31:31-34	Ps 51:1-12 or Ps 119:9-16	Heb 5:5-10	Jn 12:20-33	P
Mar 24 2024	Liturgy of the Palms		Ps 118:1-2,19-29		Mk 11:1-11 or Jn 12:12-16	P
	Liturgy of the Passion	Is 50:4-9a	Ps 31:9-16	Phil 2:5-11	Mk 14:1-15:47 or Mk 15:1-39, (40-47)	P
Mar 25 2024	Annunciation of the Lord	Is 7:10-14	Ps 45 or 40:5-10	Heb 10:4-10	Lk 1:26-38	W
Mar 25 2024	Monday in Holy Week	Is 42:1-9	Ps 36:5-11	Heb 9:11-15	Jn 12:1-11	P
Mar 26 2024	Tuesday in Holy Week	Is 49:1-7	Ps 71:1-14	1 Cor 1:18-31	Jn 12:20-36	P
Mar 27 2024	Wednesday in Holy Week	Is 50:4-9a	Ps 70	Heb 12:1-3	Jn 13:21-32	P
Mar 28 2024	Maundy Thursday	Ex 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14	Ps 116:1-2,12-19	1 Cor 11:23-26	Jn 13:1-17, 31b-35	P
Mar 29 2024	Good Friday	Is 52:13-53:12	Ps 22	Heb 10:16-25 or Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9	Jn 18:1-19:42	B or R
Mar 30 2024	Holy Saturday	Job 14:1-4 or Lam 3:1-9,19-24	Ps 31:1-4,15-16	1 Pet 4:1-8	Mt 27:57-66 or Jn 19:38-42	B

UCA Anniversary Readings may be substituted for the Sunday before or after the 22nd June.

The beginnings or endings of some Psalms vary from those in *Uniting in Worship 2*. You may choose to use the verse selections in *Uniting in Worship 2*.

A Calendar of Other Commemorations is to be found in *Uniting in Worship 2* pages 566 to 571.

EASTER

The great fifty days of Easter includes eight Sundays. It begins with the Easter Vigil and concludes on the Day of Pentecost. The season celebrates the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
Mar 30/31 2024	Easter Vigil	Gn 1:1-2:4a Gn 7:1-5,11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 Gn 22:1-18 Ex 14:10-31; 15:20-21 Is 55:1-11 Prv 8:1-8,19-21; 9:4b-6 Ez 36:24-28 Ez 37:1-14 Zep 3:14-20	Ps 136:1-9, 23-26 Ps 46 Ps 16 Ex 15:1b-13,17-18 Is 12:2-6 Ps 19 Pss 42 and 43 Ps 143 Ps 98 Ps 114	Rom 6:3-11	Mk 16:1-8	W
Mar 31 2024	Easter Day	Acts 10:34-43 or Is 25:6-9	Ps 118:1-2,14-24	1 Cor 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43	Jn 20:1-18 or Mk 16:1-8	W
Mar 31 2024	Easter Evening	Is 25:6-9	Ps 114	1 Cor 5:6b-8	Lk 24:13-49	W
Apr 7 2024	Easter 2	Acts 4:32-35	Ps 133	1 Jn 1:1-2:2	Jn 20:19-31	W
Apr 14 2024	Easter 3	Acts 3:12-19	Ps 4	1 Jn 3:1-7	Lk 24:36b-48	W
Apr 21 2024	Easter 4	Acts 4:5-12	Ps 23	1 Jn 3:16-24	Jn 10:11-18	W
Apr 28 2024	Easter 5	Acts 8:26-40	Ps 22:25-31	1 Jn 4:7-21	Jn 15:1-8	W
May 5 2024	Easter 6	Acts 10:44-48	Ps 98	1 Jn 5:1-6	Jn 15:9-17	W
May 9 2024	Ascension Day	Acts 1:1-11	Ps 47 or Ps 93	Eph 1:15-23	Lk 24:44-53	W
May 12 2024	Easter 7	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	Ps 1	1 Jn 5:9-13	Jn 17:6-19	W
May 19 2024	Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21 or Ezek 37:1-14	Ps 104:24-34, 35b	Rom 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21	Jn 15:26-27; 16:4b-15	R

AFTER PENTECOST

A period of time that varies in length depending on whether Easter is early or late. In this period, the church recalls its faith in the Holy Trinity. It seeks to relate its faith as a people of God to Christ's mission in the world. It commences with Trinity Sunday and concludes with the feast of Christ the King.

Date	Day	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel	C
May 26 2024	Trinity Sunday	Is 6:1-8	Ps 29	Rom 8:12-17	Jn 3:1-17	W
Jun 2 2024	Pent 2 [9]	1 Sm 3:1-10, (11-20)	Ps 139:1-6,13-18	2 Cor 4:5-12	Mk 2:23-3:6	G
Jun 9 2024	Pent 3 [10]	1 Sm 8:4-11 (12-15) 16-20 (11:14-15)	Ps 138	2 Cor 4:13-5:1	Mk 3:20-35	G
Jun 16 2024	Pent 4 [11]	1 Sm 15:34-16:13	Ps 20	2 Cor 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17	Mk 4:26-34	G
Jun 22 2024	UCA Anniversary	2 Chr 30:1-9	Ps 127	Eph 2:19-22	Jn 17:1-11	R
Jun 23 2024	Pent 5 [12]	1 Sm 17:(1a,4-11, 19-23), 32-49 or 1 Sm 17:57 - 18:5,10-16	Ps 9:9-20 or Ps 133	2 Cor 6:1-13	Mk 4:35-41	G
Jun 30 2024	Pent 6 [13]	2 Sm 1:1,17-27	Ps 130	2 Cor 8:7-15	Mk 5:21-43	G
Jul 7 2024	Pent 7 [14]	2 Sm 5:1-5, 9-10	Ps 48	2 Cor 12:2-10	Mk 6:1-13	G
Jul 14 2024	Pent 8 [15]	2 Sm 6:1-5, 12b-19	Ps 24	Eph 1:3-14	Mk 6:14-29	G
Jul 21 2024	Pent 9 [16]	2 Sm 7:1-14a	Ps 89:20-37	Eph 2:11-22	Mk 6:30-34, 53-56	G
Jul 28 2024	Pent 10 [17]	2 Sm 11:1-15	Ps 14	Eph 3:14-21	Jn 6:1-21	G
Aug 4 2024	Pent 11 [18]	2 Sm 11:26-12:13a	Ps 51:1-12	Eph 4:1-16	Jn 6:24-35	G
Aug 11 2024	Pent 12 [19]	2 Sm 18:5-9, 15, 31-33	Ps 130	Eph 4:25-5:2	Jn 6:35, 41-51	G
Aug 18 2024	Pent 13 [20]	1 Kgs 2:10-12; 3:3-14	Ps 111	Eph 5:15-20	Jn 6:51-58	G
Aug 25 2024	Pent 14 [21]	1 Kgs 8: (1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43	Ps 84	Eph 6:10-20	Jn 6:56-69	G
Sep 1 2024	Pent 15 [22]	Song 2:8-13	Ps 45:1-2,6-9	Jas 1:17-27	Mk 7:1-8,14-15, 21-23	G
Sep 8 2024	Pent 16 [23]	Prv 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23	Ps 125	Jas 2:1-10, (11-13),14-17	Mk 7:24-37	G
Sep 15 2024	Pent 17 [24]	Prv 1:20-33	Ps 19	Jas 3:1-12	Mk 8:27-38	G
Sep 22 2024	Pent 18 [25]	Prv 31:10-31	Ps 1	Jas 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Mk 9:30-37	G
Sep 29 2024	Pent 19 [26]	Est 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22	Ps 124	Jas 5:13-20	Mk 9:38-50	G
Oct 6 2024	Pent 20 [27]	Jb 1:1; 2:1-10	Ps 26	Heb 1:1-4; 2:5-12	Mk 10:2-16	G
Oct 13 2024	Pent 21 [28]	Jb 23:1-9,16-17	Ps 22:1-15	Heb 4:12-16	Mk 10:17-31	G
Oct 20 2024	Pent 22 [29]	Jb 38:1-7, (34-41)	Ps 104:1-9, 24, 35c	Heb 5:1-10	Mk 10:35-45	G
Oct 27 2024	Pent 23 [30]	Jb 42:1-6,10-17	Ps 34:1-8, (19-22)	Heb 7:23-28	Mk 10:46-52	G
Nov 1 2024	All Saints Day	Is 25:6-9	Ps 24	Rev 21:1-6a	Jn 11:32-44	W
Nov 3 2024	Pent 24 [31]	Ru 1:1-18	Ps 146	Heb 9:11-14	Mk 12:28-34	G
Nov 10 2024	Pent 25 [32]	Ru 3:1-5, 4:13-17	Ps 127	Heb 9:24-28	Mk 12:38-44	G
Nov 17 2024	Pent 26 [33]	1 Sm 1:4-20	1 Sm 2:1-10	Heb 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25	Mk 13:1-8	G
Nov 24 2024	Christ the King/ Reign of Christ	2 Sm 23:1-7	Ps 132:1-12, (13-18)	Rv 1:4b-8	Jn 18:33-37	W

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ORTHODOX DATES

GREAT FRIDAY	3 May 2024
EASTER	5 May 2024
PENTECOST	23 June 2024