

Narrative Lectionary 2022-23

Readings for Year 1 (Matthew)

January	1	NL119 Genealogy of Jesus First Sunday of Christmas	Matthew 1:1-17 The genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham <i>(Psalm 132:11-12)</i>
January	8	NL121 Jesus' Baptism: Matthew First Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 3:1-17 John the Baptist, Jesus is baptized to fulfill all righteousness <i>(Psalm 2:7-8)</i>
January	15	NL122 Tempted in the Wilderness Second Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 4:1-17 Jesus tempted in the wilderness <i>(Psalm 91:9-12)</i>
January	22	NL123 Beatitudes Third Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 5:1-20 Beatitudes, salt of the earth, let your light shine <i>(Psalm 1:1-3)</i>
January	29	NL124 Treasure in Heaven Fourth Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 6:7-21 [25-34] Lord's prayer, treasure in heaven <i>and/or Matt 6:25-34, Lilies of the field</i> <i>(Psalm 20:7)</i>
February	5	NL125 The Golden Rule Fifth Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29 Speck in the eye, narrow gate, wise man builds house on rock <i>(Psalm 37:16-18)</i>
February	12	NL126 Parables of the Kingdom Sixth Sunday after Epiphany	Matthew 13:24-43 Parable of wheat and weeds <i>(Psalm 84:1-7)</i>
February	19	NL129 Transfiguration Transfiguration	Matthew 16:24--17:8 Passion prediction, bearing the cross, Transfiguration <i>(Psalm 41:7-10)</i>

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February	22	NL130 Who Is the Greatest? Ash Wednesday	Matthew 18:1-9 Debate about who is the greatest, become like a child; if your right hand causes sin cut it off <i>(Psalm 146:7c-10 or 51:1-3)</i>
February	26	NL131 Forgiveness First Sunday in Lent	Matthew 18:15-35 Church discipline, forgiving 70 times 7, parable of unforgiving servant <i>(Psalm 32:1-2)</i>
March	5	NL132 Laborers in the Vineyard Second Sunday in Lent	Matthew 20:1-16 Parable of laborers in vineyard <i>(Psalm 16:5-8)</i>
March	12	NL133 Wedding Banquet Third Sunday in Lent	Matthew 22:1-14 Parable of wedding banquet <i>(Psalm 45:6-7)</i>
March	19	NL134 Bridesmaids (or Talents) Fourth Sunday in Lent	Matthew 25:1-13 Parable of the bridesmaids <i>and/or Matt 25:14-30, Parable of the talents</i> <i>(Psalm 43:3-4)</i>
March	26	NL135 Last Judgment Fifth Sunday in Lent	Matthew 25:31-46 Parable of the last judgment <i>(Psalm 98:7-9)</i>
April	2	NL136 Triumphal Entry Palm Sunday	Matthew 21:1-17 Triumphal entry, cleansing the temple <i>(Psalm 118:25-29)</i>
April	6	NL137 Words of Institution Maundy Thursday	Matthew 26:17-30 Preparing for the Last Supper, mention of betrayal, Words of Institution <i>(Psalm 116:12-15)</i>
April	7	NL138 Crucifixion: Matthew Good Friday	Matthew 27:27-61 Crucifixion; "My God, my God why have you forsaken me?" <i>(Psalm 22:1-2, [14-18])</i>

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April	9	NL139 Easter: Matthew Easter	Matthew 28:1-10 Resurrection, empty tomb, women encounter the risen Jesus <i>(Psalm 118:19-24)</i>
April	16	NL140 Great Commission Second Sunday of Easter	Matthew 28:16-20 Great commission, Go therefore and make disciples of all nations <i>(Psalm 40:9-10)</i>
April	23	NL141 Peter's Vision Third Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:1-17, 34-48 Peter's vision show how God cleanses people of every nation <i>(Matt 9:36-37)</i>
April	30	NL142 Paul's Mission Fourth Sunday of Easter	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18 Beginning of Paul's mission. Healing at Lystra, gospel to the Gentile world <i>(Matt 10:40-42)</i>
May	7	NL143 Gospel as Salvation Fifth Sunday of Easter	Romans 1:1-17 Gospel as power of God for salvation to all, both Jews and Greeks <i>(Matt 9:10-13)</i>
May	14	NL144 God's Love Poured Out Sixth Sunday of Easter	Romans [3:28-30] 5:1-11 God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit; Christ died for the ungodly <i>(Matt 11:28-30)</i>
May	21	NL145 Hope of Resurrection Seventh Sunday of Easter	Romans 6:1-14 We were buried with him by baptism into death, so that we might walk in newness of life. Hope of resurrection. <i>(Matt 6:24)</i>
May	28	NL146 Nothing Can Separate Us Pentecost	Acts 2:1-4 Pentecost Romans 8:14-39 The groaning of creation, Spirit helps us in our weakness, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus <i>(Matt 28:16-20)</i>