

# Grace Daily Readings

Dear Friends,

This is such a wonderful time of year. Spring is all around us. The penitential season of Lent is almost over, and the new hope and joy of Easter is upon us!

The readings this month take us completely through that liturgical transition, beginning with the Lenten calls to faithful reflection and true discipleship in light of the coming passion and death of Jesus. Then we journey with Jesus the road to Golgotha and finally at the mid-month point, the promise is fulfilled, and we read the immense joy the early church had in the fulfilled promises of the Risen Christ. I will admit, as you know, I am a Christmas person. Nothing is more exciting to be than Advent. But this month's readings are the apex of our faith. *THIS*, not the nativity, is what we are all about. We are above all else a people of the cross and the empty tomb! May this month's readings help you experience this gift anew!

**April 1 F** Psalm 126

Isaiah 43:8-15

Philippians 2:25—3:1

**April 5 Tu** Psalm 20

Judges 9:7-15

1 John 2:18-28

**April 2 Sa** Psalm 126

Exodus 12:21-27

John 11:45-57

**April 6 W** Psalm 20

Habakkuk 3:2-15

Luke 18:31-34

**April 3 Su** Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8

**April 7 Th** Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 53:10-12

Hebrews 2:1-9

**April 4 M** Psalm 20

Exodus 40:1-15

Hebrews 10:19-25

**April 8 F** Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 54:9-10

Hebrews 2:10-18

**April 9 Sa** Psalm 31:9-16

Leviticus 23:1-8

Luke 22:1-13

**April 10 Su Palm/Passion Sunday**

Palms Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Luke 19:28-40

Passion Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14—23:56 or Luke  
23:1-49

**April 11 Monday of Holy Week**

Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalm 36:5-11

Hebrews 9:11-15

John 12:1-11

**April 12 Tuesday of Holy Week**

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 71:1-14

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

John 12:20-36

**April 13 Wednesday of Holy Week**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 70

Hebrews 12:1-3

John 13:21-32

*The Triduum (3 days)*

**April 14 Holy Thursday**

Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

**April 15 Good Friday**

Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Psalm 22

Hebrews 10:16-25 or

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

John 18:1—19:42

**April 16 Holy Saturday**

Job 14:1-14

Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

1 Peter 4:1-8

Matthew 27:57-66

or John 19:38-42

**April 17 Easter Day**

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

or Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

**April 18 M** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Joshua 10:16-27

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

**April 19 Tu** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Judges 4:17-23; 5:24-31a  
Revelation 12:1-12

**April 20 W** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
2 Samuel 6:1-15  
Luke 24:1-12

**April 21 Th** Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:1-23  
Acts 5:12-16

**April 22 F** Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:19-32  
Acts 5:17-26

**April 23 Sa** Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:32-51  
Luke 24:36-40

**April 24 Su** Second Sunday of Easter  
Acts 5:27-32  
Psalm 118:14-29  
Revelation 1:4-8  
John 20:19-31

**April 25 M** Psalm 122  
Esther 7:1-10  
Revelation 1:9-20

**April 26 Tu** Psalm 122  
Esther 8:1-17  
Revelation 2:8-11

**April 27 W** Psalm 122  
Esther 9:1-5, 18-23  
Luke 12:4-12

**April 28 Th** Psalm 30  
Isaiah 5:11-17  
Revelation 3:14-22

**April 29 F** Psalm 30  
Isaiah 6:1-4  
Revelation 4:1-11

**April 30 Sa** Psalm 30  
Genesis 18:1-8  
Luke 14:12-14

