

Please choose two readings.

Please choose a Prayer of the Faithful.
Set A, Set B, or Set C.

The first reading must be from the Old Testament

*Please note that during the Easter Season
(Easter to Pentecost Sunday) one of the following New
Testament Readings is used as the first reading instead of a
reading from the Old Testament.*

#1 ACTS 10: 34-43

#2 Rev 14:13

#3 REV 20: 11 – 21: 1

#4 Rev 21:1-5a, 6b-7

The second reading must be from the New Testament.

OLD TEST. # 1

2 MAC 12: 43-46

After the Opening Prayer,

Father will invite all to,

“Please be seated for our First Reading.”

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the second Book of Maccabees

(Pause 3 seconds)

Judas, the ruler of Israel,
then took up a collection among all his soldiers,
amounting to two thousand silver drachmas,
which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice.
In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way,
inasmuch as he had the resurrection of the dead in view;
for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again,
it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them in death.

But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward
that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness,
it was a holy and pious thought.

Thus he made atonement for the dead
that they might be freed from this sin.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,

Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;

BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament

in the Tabernacle;

and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 2

JOB 19: 1, 23-27

After the Opening Prayer,

Father will invite all to,

“Please be seated for our First Reading.”

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of Job

(Pause 3 seconds)

Job answered Bildad the Shuhite and said:
Oh, would that my words were written down!
Would that they were inscribed in a record:
That with an iron chisel and with lead
they were cut in the rock forever!

But as for me, I know that my Vindicator lives,
and that He will at last stand forth upon the dust;
Whom I myself shall see:
my own eyes, not another's, shall behold him;
And from my flesh I shall see God;
my inmost being is consumed with longing.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,

Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;

BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament

in the Tabernacle;

and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 3
WISDOM 3:1- 9

After the Opening Prayer,
Father will invite all to,
“Please be seated for our First Reading.”
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

(Pause 3 seconds)

The souls of the just are in the hand of God
and no torment shall touch them.

They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing
away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter
destruction.

But they are in peace.

For if before men, indeed, they be punished,
yet is their hope full of immortality;

Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried
them, and found them worthy of Himself.

As gold in the furnace, He proved them, and as sacrificial offerings
He took them to Himself.

In the time of their visitation they shall shine,
and shall dart about as sparks through stubble.

They shall judge nations and rule over people,
and the Lord shall be their King forever.

Those who trust in Him shall understand truth,
and the faithful shall abide with Him in love:

Because grace and mercy are with His holy ones, and His care is
with His elect.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,
Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament
in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 4
WISDOM 4: 7-15

After the Opening Prayer,
Father will invite all to,
“Please be seated for our First Reading.”
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

(Pause 3 seconds)

The just man, though he die early, shall be at rest.
For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time,
nor can it be measured in terms of years.
Rather, understanding is the hoary crown for men,
and an unsullied life, the attainment of old age.

He who pleased God was loved;
he who lived among sinners were transported—
Snatched away, lest wickedness pervert his mind or deceit beguile
his soul;
For the witchery of paltry things obscures what is right and the
whirl of desire transforms the innocent mind.

Having become perfect in a short while, he reached the fullness of a
long career;
for his soul was pleasing to the Lord,
therefore he sped him out of the midst of wickedness.
But the people saw and did not understand,
nor did they take this into account.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,
Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
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in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat

OLD TEST. # 5
ISAIAH 25: 6A, 7-9

After the Opening Prayer,
Father will invite all to,
“Please be seated for our First Reading.”
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

(Pause 3 seconds)

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all
peoples.

On this mountain He will destroy the veil that veils all
peoples,

The web that is woven over all nations;

He will destroy death forever.

The Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces;

The reproach of His people He will remove from the whole
earth; for the Lord has spoken.

On that day it will be said:

“Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!

This is the Lord for whom we looked;

let us rejoice and be glad that He has saved us!”

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,
Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
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in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 6

LAM 3: 17-26

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Father will invite all to,
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Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of Lamentations

(Pause 3 seconds)

My soul is deprived of peace, I have forgotten what happiness is; I
tell myself my future is lost, all that I hoped for from the Lord.

The thought of my homeless poverty is wormwood and gall;
Remembering it over and over leaves my soul downcast within me.

But I will call this to mind, as my reason to have hope:
The favors of the Lord are not exhausted, His mercies are not spent;
They are renewed each morning, so great is His faithfulness.

My portion is the Lord, says my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.
Good is the Lord to one who waits for Him, to the soul that seeks
Him; It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,
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in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 7

DANIEL 12: 1-3

After the Opening Prayer,

Father will invite all to,

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Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel

(Pause 3 seconds)

I, Daniel, mourned
and heard this word of the Lord:
“At that time there shall arise
Michael, the great prince,
guardian of your people;
It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.
At that time your people shall escape,
everyone who is found written in the book.

Many of those who sleep
in the dust of the earth shall awake;
Some shall live forever,
others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.
But the wise shall shine brightly
like the splendor of the firmament,
And those who lead the many to justice
shall be like the stars forever.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,

Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;

BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament

in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

OLD TEST. # 8

ECCLESIASTED 3:
1-15

After the Opening Prayer,
Father will invite all to,

“Please be seated for our First Reading.”

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes

(Pause 3 seconds)

There is an appointed time for everything,
and a time for everything under the heavens.

A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.

A time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to tear down, and a time to build.

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance.

A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them;
a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.

A time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away.

A time to rend, and a time to sew;
a time to be silent, and a time to speak.

A time to love, and a time to hate;
a time of war, and a time of peace.

What advantage has the worker from his toil? I have considered the task which God has appointed for men to be busied about. He made everything appropriate to its time, and has put the timeless into their hearts, without men's ever discovering, from the beginning to end, the work which God has done. I recognize that there is nothing better than to be glad and to do well during life. For every man, moreover, to eat and drink and enjoy the fruit of all his labor is a gift of God. I recognized that whatever God does will endure forever; there is no adding to it, or taking from it. Thus has God done that he may be revered. What now is has already been; what is to be, already is; and God restores what would otherwise be displaced.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area
on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the
Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading I From the New Testament During Easter Time

No 345. During Easter Time, one of these readings is used as the First Reading instead of a reading from the Old Testament.

EASTER NEW TEST.

1

ACTS 10: 34-43

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from The Acts of the Apostles

(Pause 3 seconds)

Peter proceeded to speak, saying:

“In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.

You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him in a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,

Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament
in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

Reading I From the New Testament During Easter Time

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EASTER NEW TEST.

2

REV 14: 13

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the Book of Revelation

(Pause 3 seconds)

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say, “Write this:
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now
on.”

“Yes,” said the Spirit, “let them find rest from their
labors, for their works accompany them.”

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading,
Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament
in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

Reading I From the New Testament During Easter Time

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EASTER NEW TEST. # 3

REV 20: 11 – 21: 1

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the Book of Revelation

(Pause 3 seconds)

I, John, saw a large white throne and the one who was sitting on it. The earth and the sky fled from his presence and there was no place for them. I saw the dead, the great and the lowly, standing before the throne, and scrolls were opened.

Then another scroll was opened, the book of life. The dead were judged according to their deeds, by what was written in the scrolls.

The sea gave up its dead; then Death and Hades gave up their dead. All the dead were judged according to their deeds. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the pool of fire. (This pool of fire is the second death.)

Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the pool of fire.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar
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reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.**

Reading I From the New Testament During Easter Time

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EASTER NEW TEST. # 4

REV 21: 1-5A, 6B-7

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the Book of Revelation

(Pause 3 seconds)

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away.”

The One who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give a gift from the spring of life-giving water. The victor will inherit these gifts, and I shall be his God, and he will be my son.”

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar
area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in
reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 1
ROMANS 5: 5-11

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For Christ, while we were still helpless, yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly.

Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die.

But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

How much more then, since we are now justified by his Blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath.

Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life.

Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 2
ROMANS 5: 17-21

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

If, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ.

In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all.

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners so through the obedience of the one the many will be made righteous.

The law entered in so that transgression might increase but, where sin increased. Grace overflowed all the more, so that as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through justification for eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar
area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in
reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 3

ROMANS 6: 3-9

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be untied with him in the resurrection.

We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.

We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of
the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the
Tabernacle; and return to your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 4

ROMANS 8: 14-23

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),**

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

**Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;**

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, "Father!"

The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us.

For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.

We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area
on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the
Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 5

ROMANS 8: 31-35, 37-39

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),**

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

**Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;**

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

If God is for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all,
will he not also give us everything else along with him?

Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones?

It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn?

It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the
right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Will anguish, or distress or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or
peril, or the sword?

No, in all these things, we conquer overwhelmingly through him who
loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor
height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of
the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the
Tabernacle; and return to your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 6

ROMANS 14: 7-9,
10C-12

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(and the music has stopped),
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Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

No one lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord;
so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of
both the dead and the living.

For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God;
for it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend
before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then each of us shall give an accounting of himself to God.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of
the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary;
BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the
Tabernacle; and return to your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST # 7
1 COR 15: 20--28

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the first letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

(Pause 3 seconds)

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead came also through a man. For just as in Adam all die,
so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; [then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death for “he subjected everything under his feet.” But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the One who subjected everything to him. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the One who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.]

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 8

1 COR 15: 51-57

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters: Behold, I tell you a mystery.

We shall not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, in an instant, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet.

For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For that which is corruptible must clothe itself with incorruptibility, and that which is mortal must clothe itself with immortality.

And when this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 9

2 COR 4: 14-5: 1

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians
(Pause 3 seconds)

Brothers and sisters:

We know that the One who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and place us with you in his presence.

Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God.

Therefore, we are not discouraged; rather, although our other self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.

For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 10

2 COR 5: 1, 6-10

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

(Pause 3 seconds)

We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

So we are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body, we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight.

Yet, we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please Him, whether we are at home or away.

For we all must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 11

PHILIPPIANS 3: 20-21

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

(Pause 3 seconds)

Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 12

1 THESS 4: 13-18

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians

(Pause 3 seconds)

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.

For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.

Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 13
2 TIMOTHY 2: 8-13

**After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:**

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy

(Pause 3 seconds)

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David: such is my Gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains, like a criminal.

But the word of God is not chained.

Therefore, I bear with everything for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory. This saying is trustworthy:

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;
if we persevere we shall also reign with him.

But if we deny him, he will deny us.

If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

**After the Reading, Return to the center of
the altar area on the main level of the
sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed
Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to
your seat.**

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 14

1 JOHN 3: 1-2

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),

Step out of your pew and approach the altar.

Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;

Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

(Pause 3 seconds)

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called
the children of God.

Yet so we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet
been revealed.

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we
shall see him as he is.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the
main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed
Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 15

1 JOHN 3: 14-16

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

(Pause 3 seconds)

Beloved,
We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our
brothers.

Whoever does not love remains in death. Everyone who hates his
brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal
life remaining in him.

The way we came to know life was that he laid down his life for us;
so we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the
main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed
Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

Reading II From the New Testament

NEW TEST. # 16

2 TIMOTHY 4: 6-8

After the Cantor has finished the Responsorial Psalm
(and the music has stopped),
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the main level of the sanctuary (altar area) and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and read from the main pulpit:

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy

(Pause 3 seconds)

Beloved:

I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand.

I have competed well; I have finished the race;
I have kept the faith.

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me,
which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day,
and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his
appearance.

(Pause 3 seconds)

The Word of the Lord.

After the Reading, Return to the center of the altar area on the
main level of the sanctuary; BOW in reverence to the Blessed
Sacrament in the Tabernacle; and return to your seat.

SET "A"

After the homily, Father will return to his seat and ask, "Please stand for our Prayer of the Faithful".
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and approach the pulpit:

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

(Father will introduce the Prayer of the Faithful with an opening prayer. After the opening prayer, the reader continues:)

READER:

Our response to each petition is:

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

-For, _____, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that **he/she** may now be admitted to the company of Your saints.
We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For our **brother/sister**, _____, who ate the body of Christ, the Bread of Life, that You may raise **him/her** up on the last day. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For all our deceased relatives and friends, and for all who have helped us in this life, that You may grant to them the reward of their goodness in eternal life. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Petitions are continued on the back side of this page)

-For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that, in Your mercy, they may behold the light of Your face. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For the family and friends of our **brother/sister** _____, that You might give to them the gift of Your consolation and peace. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together for eternity in Your heavenly kingdom. We pray to the Lord...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Father will conclude with a closing prayer. REMAIN at the pulpit until the closing prayer is over.)

**After the closing prayer,
Return to the center of the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
return to your seat as Father invites all to,
“Please be seated as we offer our gifts.”**

SET "B"

After the homily, Father will return to his seat and ask, "Please stand for our Prayer of the Faithful".
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and approach the pulpit:

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

(Father will introduce the Prayer of the Faithful with an opening prayer. After the opening prayer, the reader continues:)

READER:

Our response to each petition is: **LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

-In baptism, _____ received the light of Your Son. In Your mercy, dispel the darkness of sin and lead **him/her** over the waters of death. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-Our **brother/sister** _____ was nourished with the Bread of Life at the altar of Your Son. In Your kindness, welcome **him/her** into the halls of Your heavenly banquet. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the fullness of Your kingdom. Graciously grant them an everlasting home with your Son. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Petitions are continued on the back side of this page)

-Many people die by violence, war and famine each day. Show Your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against Your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of Your peace. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-Those who trusted in Your hope, now sleep in Your peace. Grant eternal rest to all whose faith is known to You alone. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-The family and friends of _____ seek comfort and consolation. We beg You to heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that proceeds from our human weakness. We pray to the Lord...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-We are gathered here in faith and confidence to pray for our **brother/sister** _____. Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of Your Son's coming. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Father will conclude with a closing prayer. REMAIN at the pulpit until the closing prayer is over.)

After the closing prayer,
Return to the center of the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
return to your seat as Father invites all to,
"Please be seated as we offer our gifts."

SET "C"

After the homily, Father will return to his seat and ask, "Please stand for our Prayer of the Faithful".
Step out of your pew and approach the altar.
Step to the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
Turn to YOUR RIGHT and approach the pulpit:

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

(Father will introduce the Prayer of the Faithful with an opening prayer. After the opening prayer, the reader continues:)

READER:

Our response to each petition is: **LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

-We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our **brother/sister**, _____. Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of Your Son's coming. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-We pray for _____'s family, that You will fill the present emptiness in their hearts with the love and prayerful support of many friends. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For all those who ministered to _____ during **his/her** illness; that You may bless them in abundance with Your grace for their kindness and care. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Petitions are continued on the back side of this page)

-For each of us, with whom _____ so generously shared **his/her** many gifts; may we too, aided by Your strength, be inspired to share our gifts with others and help lighten the burdens of those in need. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For all those who loved and were loved by _____, that we may find comfort in Your Son's promise to us of eternal life. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For each of us here present, that You will bless us richly with the gifts we need to fully celebrate life, to sincerely embrace our faith in You and to recognize the new beginning You offer us each day. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

-For all those who have gone before us, who are making amends for their sins in purgatory, that our prayers and our good works on their behalf will help bring them to the fullness of Your heavenly kingdom. We pray...

(ALL RESPOND: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER)

(Father will conclude with a closing prayer. REMAIN at the pulpit until the closing prayer is over.)

**After the closing prayer,
Return to the center of the lower platform and BOW
in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle;
return to your seat as Father invites all to,
"Please be seated as we offer our gifts."**