
**READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR
SUNDAYS AND PRINCIPAL FEAST
DAYS**

**Bible readings and Collects (Prayer of the Day)
from 2nd November 2025 – 21st February 2026.**

Sun 2nd November 2025 – All Saints' Sunday

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1.11-23;
Luke 6.20-31

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sun 9th November 2025 – Remembrance Sunday

Job 19.23-27a; Psalm 17.1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-17;
Luke 20.27-38

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sun 16th November 2025 2nd Sunday before Advent

Malachi 4.1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13;

Luke 21.5-19

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy, restrain
us from excess and revive in
us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed in
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sun 23rd November 2025 - Christ the King

Jeremiah 23.1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1.11-20;

Luke 23.33-43

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of
heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the
Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order
to worship at his feet.

Sun 30th November 2025 - Advent Sunday

Isaiah 2.1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13.11-14;

Matthew 24.36-44

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that
we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Sun 7th December 2025 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11.1-10; Psalm 72.1-7,18,19; Romans 15.4-13;
Matthew 3.1-12

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and
saviour, we may be ready to receive him, who is
our Lord and our God.

Sun 14th December 2025 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35.1-10; Psalm 146.4-10 or *Canticle: Magnificat*; James
5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right, with
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sun 21st December 2025 - 4th Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7.10-16; Psalm 80.1-8,18-20; Romans 1. 1-7;
Matthew 1.18-25

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we
wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wed 24th December 2025 - Christmas Eve

Readings for Morning Prayer: Psalms 45, 113; Isaiah 58; 3 John

Collect for Christmas Eve daytime:

Almighty God,
as we prepare with joy
to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child,
embrace the earth with your glory
and be for us a living hope in
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect for Christmas Night:

Eternal God,
in the stillness of this night you
sent your almighty Word
to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation:
give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill
our hearts with the joy of heaven through our
Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Readings for Christmas Night and Christmas Day:

Isaiah 52.7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1.1-4[5-12];
John 1.1-14

And/or:

Isaiah 9.2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-14[15-20]

Collect for Thurs 25th December 2025 - Christmas Day

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem

draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God.

Sun 28th December 2025 – The Holy Innocents

Jeremiah 31.15-17 Psalm 124 | Corinthians 1.26-29 Matthew 2.13-18

Heavenly Father,

whose children suffered at the hands of Herod,
though they had done no wrong:
by the suffering of your Son
and by the innocence of our lives
frustrate all evil designs
and establish your reign of justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 4th January 2025 - Epiphany

Isaiah 60.1-6; Psalm 72.[1-9]10-15; Ephesians 3.1-12;
Matthew 2.1-12

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to
worship the Christ-child:

guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sunday 11th January 2025 – Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 42.1-9; Psalm 29 ; Acts 10.34-43; Matthew 3.13-end

Heavenly Father

at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Sunday 18th January 2025 - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 49.1-7; Psalm 40.1-12; I Corinthians 1.1-9;
John 1.29-42

Almighty God,

in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by
the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives make
known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

Sunday 25th January 2025 – 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 9.1-4; Psalm 27.1,4-12; I Corinthians 1.10-18;
Matthew 4.12-23

God of all mercy,

your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit

and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Sunday 1st February 2025 - The Presentation of Christ

Malachi 3.1-5; Psalm 24.[1-6]7-10; Hebrews 2.14-18;
Luke 2.22-40

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us, and
present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.

Sunday 8th February 2025 - 2nd Sunday before Lent

Genesis 1.1 - 2.3; Psalm 136 or Psalm 136.1-9,23-26;
Romans 8.18-25; Matthew 6.25-34

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the
earth and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works and
your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Sunday 15th February 2025 - Sunday before Lent

Exodus 24.12-18; Psalm 2 or Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1.16-21;
Matthew 17.1-9

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before
he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,

that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory.

GROWING AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Regular Bible reading and prayer greatly enriches our lives, as we learn more of God's ways. But these disciplines can be hard, especially if you are new to them or doing them alone.

Sharing them with others through a friend or a small group, in person or over the phone, can really help.

Why not support each other in this way?

If we can help you find someone to share in your exploration of the Bible, and perhaps to pray with or for, do get in touch with Revd Andie