



Funeral Liturgy Planning Information

Selection of Readings for Liturgy of the Word

ENGLISH READINGS

Masses for the Dead - Readings from the Old Testament:

From the Lectionary for Mass, no. 1011

[During Easter Time, the First Reading is instead selected from among certain New Testament Readings.]

1. **2 Maccabees 12:43-46** - He acted in an excellent and noble way as he had the resurrection of the dead in view.
2. **Job 19:1, 23-27a** - I know that my Vindicator lives.
3. **Wisdom 3:1-9 (short form, 3:1-6, 9)** - As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.
4. **Wisdom 4:7-15** - An unsullied life, the attainment of old age.
5. **Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9** - He will destroy death forever.
6. **Lamentations 3:17-26** - It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.
7. **Daniel 12:1-3** - Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.
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Masses for the Dead - Readings from the New Testament:

From the Lectionary for Mass, no. 1014

1. **Romans 5:5-11** - Since we are now justified by his Blood, we will be saved through him from the wrath.
2. **Romans 5:17-21** - Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more.
3. **Romans 6:3-9 (short form, 6:3-4, 8-9)** - We too might live in newness of life.
4. **Romans 8:14-23** - We also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies
5. **Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39** - What will separate us from the love of Christ?
6. **Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12** - Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.
7. **1 Corinthians 15:20-28 (short form, 15:20-23)** - So too in Christ shall all be brought to life.
8. **1 Corinthians 15:51-57** - Death is swallowed up in victory.
9. **2 Corinthians 4:14—5:1** - What is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.
10. **2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10** - We have a building from God, eternal in heaven.
11. **Philippians 3:20-21** - *He will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glory.*
12. **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** - *Thus we shall always be with the Lord.*
13. **2 Timothy 2:8-13** - *If we have died with him we shall also live with him.*
14. **1 John 3:1-2** - *We shall see him as he is.*
15. **1 John 3:14-16** - *We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers.*



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Masses for the Dead - Gospels

From the Lectionary for Mass, no. 1016

1. **Matthew 5:1-12a** - Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.
2. **Matthew 11:25-30** - Come to me and I will give you rest.
3. **Matthew 25:1-13** - Behold the bridegroom! Come out to him!
4. **Matthew 25:31-46** - Come, you who are blessed by my Father.
5. **Mark 15:33-39; 16:1-6** (short form, 15:33-39) - Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.
6. **Luke 7:11-17** - Young man, I tell you, arise!
7. **Luke 12:35-40** - You also must be prepared.
8. **Luke 23:33, 39-43** - Today you will be with me in Paradise.
9. **Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a** (short form, 23:44-46, 50, 52-53) - Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.
10. **Luke 24:13-35** (short form, 24:13-16, 28-35) - Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?
11. **John 5:24-29** - Whoever hears my word and believes has passed from death to life.
12. **John 6:37-40** - Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life and I shall raise him on the last day.
13. **John 6:51-58** - Whoever eats this bread will live forever, and I will raise them up on the last day.
14. **John 11:17-27** (short form, 11:21-27) - I am the resurrection and the life.
15. **John 11:32-45** - Lazarus, come out!
16. **John 12:23-28** (short form, 12:23-26) - If it dies, it produces much fruit.
17. **John 14:1-6** - In my Father's house there are many dwellings.
18. **John 19:17-18, 25-39** - And bowing his head he handed over his Spirit.

Masses for the Dead - Readings from the New Testament during Easter Time

From the Lectionary for Mass, no. 1012

[Only these readings may be selected as the First Reading during Easter Time.]

1. **Acts 10:34-43** (short form, 10:34-36, 42-43) - He is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.
2. **Revelation 14:13** - Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.
3. **Revelation 20:11—21:1** - The dead were judged according to their deeds.
Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7 - There shall be no more death.

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Parts of the Mass	
Prelude	1. Ave Maria - Schubert 2. Amazing Grace – G-645 3. Come to Me. (Joncas) G-731
Your Choice is -	
Entrance	1. Here I am Lord. (Schuette) G-777 2. Be not Afraid. (Dufford) G-683 3. We walk by faith. (Haugen) G-680 4. Seek ye First. (Lafferty) G-658
Your Choice is -	
Psalm	1. Psalm 23 – The Lord is my shepherd. (Alstott) 2. Psalm 23 – The Lord is my Shepherd. (Crandall) 3. Psalm 25 – To You, O Lord, I lift my soul. (Haugen) G-39 4. Psalm 27 – The Goodness of the Lord. (Soper) 5. Psalm 27 – The Goodness of the Lord. (Super) 6. Psalm 63-My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.(Joncas)G-55 7. Psalm 103 – The Lord is kind and merciful. (Cotter) G-72 8. Psalm 103- The Lord is kind and merciful. (Haugen) G-75
Your Choice is -	
Preparation of Gifts	1. Steal away. (Spiritual) G-868 2. We walk by faith. (Haugen) G-680 3. Make me a channel of your piece. (Temple) G-828 4. On Eagle's wings. (Joncas) 5. Hosea. (Norbet) G-484 6. Be not afraid. (Dufford) G-683 7. Eye has not seen. (Haugen) G-728
Your Choice is -	
Communion	1. Gift of Finest Wheat. G-940 2. I am the Bread of Life. (Toolan) G-945 3. Be not Afraid. (Dufford) G-683 4. Unless a Grain of wheat shall fall. (Farrell) G-783 5. One Bread, One Body. (Foley) G-932 6. Taste and see. (Moore) G-930 7. Behold the Lamb. (Willett) G-939
Your Choice is -	
Commendation	1. Song of Farewell – GC3-163 2. May the Angels Lead you into paradise. G-980 3. May Holy Angels Lead you. (Danny Boy) G-978 4. May the Angels Gather you to Heaven. (Demny)
Your Choice is -	
Recessional	1. How Great thou art. G-578 2. Precious Lord, Take my hand. (Allen) G-955 3. Amazing Grace. G-645 4. The King of Love. G-712 5. The Hand of God Shall Hold You – GC3-981 6. There is a place. (Lewton) G-979
Your Choice is -	