

MARCH 2025

Daily Bible readings

1 Mark 10:35-45
Sat Jesus said: The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life to set many free.

2 1 Corinthians 15:54-58
SUN Stand firm, let nothing shake you, be full of energy for the work of God, knowing that in the Lord nothing of your labour is wasted.

3 Romans 12:14-21
Mon Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who are rejoicing, weep with those who weep.

4 Galatians 1:11-24
Tue The apostle Paul writes: Before I was born, God called me by his grace, and then revealed his Son in me.

5 Joel 2:12-13
Wed God says: Come back to me with all your heart. Come back to your God who is tender and compassionate, patient and rich in faithful love.

6 John 17:1-11
Thu Jesus prayed: Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you and give eternal life to all those you have given him.

7 Isaiah 58:6-8
Fri If you break unjust chains to let the oppressed go free, if you share your food with the hungry and shelter the homeless, then your light will break forth like the dawn and your wound will be quickly healed.

8 Matthew 19:27-29
Sat Jesus said: Anyone who leaves everything for my sake will receive much more and will inherit eternal life.

9 Deuteronomy 26:1-11
SUN We called on the Lord, the God of our fathers, and God heard our cry. God saw our misery, our toil and oppression and brought us out of the land of slavery.

10 Psalms 33
Mon The Lord watches over those who rely on God's love, to keep them alive in time of famine.

11 Isaiah 48:12-21
Tue The people of God did not go thirsty when he led them through the desert; God made water spring out of the rock for them.

12 Colossians 2:16-23
Wed Do not let anyone criticise you for what you eat or drink, or about observance of annual festivals, New Moons or Sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what was coming: the reality is the body of Christ.

13 Hebrews 10:32-39
Thu Remember the first days when, after having received the light of faith, you stood your ground in the face of great suffering. All your belongings were seized, and you accepted this joyfully because you knew that you had better and lasting possessions.

14 Jeremiah 2:1-13
Fri The Lord said of his people: They have forsaken me, the fount of living water, and have dug themselves cracked cisterns that will not hold water.

15 2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Sat We are considered as sorrowful, we who are always rejoicing; as poor, we who make many people rich; as having nothing, we who possess everything.

16 Luke 9:28-36
SUN Jesus took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. And as he was praying the appearance of his face changed. Then a cloud enveloped them and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him."

17 Habakkuk 2:1-4
Mon I shall stay awake, watching to see what God will say to me. And the Lord answered me saying, "The just will live by their faithfulness."

18 1 John 2:12-17
Tue The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

19 Romans 4:13-22
Wed When everything seemed hopeless Abraham believed, and so he was made the father of a multitude of peoples.

20 John 4:1-14
Thu Jesus said to the Samaritan woman: If you only knew what God is offering and who it is who is saying to you, "Give me something to drink", you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.

21 2 Timothy 2:8-13
Fri The apostle Paul says: Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead. On his account I have suffered, even to the point of being put in chains like a criminal.

22 Isaiah 45:20-25
Sat . Turn to me, says the Lord, and you will be saved, all you ends of the earth. For I am God, and there is no other.

These short readings are those read, day by day, at community prayer in Taizé. The Bible reference given indicates a slightly longer passage.

23 Exodus 3:1-15
SUN The Lord says: I have seen the misery of my people. I have heard them crying out because of their oppressors, yes, I know their suffering and I have come down to rescue them.

24 Psalms 9
Mon Those who know your name trust in you, O God. For you never forsake those who seek you.

25 Zechariah 2:14-17 (2:10-13)
Tue Sing and rejoice, my people, for I am coming to live among you, says the Lord.

26 John 10:11-18
Wed Jesus said: There are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and I must lead them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

27 John 4:27-42
Thu Jesus said: My food is to do the will of the One who sent me and to complete his work.

28 Romans 12:1-13
Fri Do not model yourselves on the pattern of this world, but let yourselves be transformed by the renewing of your mind so that you may discern the will of God — what is good, pleasing, and perfect.

29 1 Peter 3:13-17
Sat If you suffer for what is right then you are blessed! Do not be frightened. Simply proclaim the Lord Christ holy in your hearts.

30 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2
SUN We are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were making his appeal through us. And we implore you in the name of Christ: be reconciled to God. Now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation.

31 Isaiah 46:3-5,9
Mon The Lord says to his people: I have carried you since you were conceived. Until your old age I shall be the same, I shall sustain and save you.