READING I FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT (Applicable except for the Season of Easter)

2 Maccabees 12:43-46

He acted in an excellent and noble way as he had the resurrection of the dead in view.

Job 19: 1, 23-27a

I know that my Vindicator lives

Wisdom 3:1-9 or short form 3: 1-6, 9

As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

Wisdom 4:7-15

An unsullied life, the attainment of old age.

Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9

He will destroy death forever.

Lamentations 3:17-26

It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.

Daniel 12:1-3

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.

READING I is from the New Testament during the Season of Easter. Choose one of these:


He is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.

Revelation 14:13

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

Book of 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.
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23: 1-3,4,5,6

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

Psalm 25: 6 and 7b, 17-18, 20-21

*To you, O Lord, I life my soul*

Psalm 27: 1, 4, 7 and 8b and 9a, 13-14

*The Lord is my light and my salvation*

*OR*  *I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.*

Psalm 42: 2, 3, 5cdef; 43: 3, 4, 5

*My soul is thirsting for the living God: when shall I see him face to face.*

Psalm 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

Psalm 103: 8 and 10, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18

*The Lord is kind and merciful.*

Psalm 116: 5, 6, 10-11, 15-16ac

*I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*  *OR Alleluia.*

Psalm 122: 1-2, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

*I rejoiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord.*  *OR*

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

Psalm 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8

*Out of the depths, I cry to you, Lord.*  *OR*

*I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.*

Psalm 143: 1-2, 5-6, 7ab and 8ab, 10

*O Lord, hear my prayer.*
NEW TESTAMENT

READING II

Romans 5:5-11

*Since we are now justified by his Blood, we will be saved through him from the wrath.*

Romans 5:17-21

*Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more.*

Romans 6:3-9 or short form 6: 3-4, 8-9

*We too might live in newness of life.*

Romans 8:14-23

*We also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.*

Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

*What will separate us from the love of Christ?*

Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12

*Whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.*

1 Corinthians 15:20-28 or short form 15: 20-23

*So too in Christ shall all be brought to life.*

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

*Death is swallowed up in victory.*

2 Corinthians 4:14--5:1

*What is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.*

2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10

*We have a building from God, eternal in heaven.*

Philippians 3:20-21

*He will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glory.*

Thessalonians 4:13-18

*Thus we shall always be with the Lord.*
NEW TESTAMENT
READING II - CONTINUED

2 Timothy 2:8-13

*If we have died with him we shall also live with him.*

1 John 3:1-2

*We shall see him as he is.*

1 John 3:14-16

*We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers.*
GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12a

*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*

Matthew 11:25-30

*Come to me and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 25:1-13

*Behold the bridegroom! Come out to him!*

Matthew 25:31-46

*Come, you who are blessed by my Father.*


*Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.*

Luke 7:11-17

*Young man, I tell you, arise!*

Luke 12:35-40

*You also must be prepared.*


*Today you will be with me in Paradise.*


*Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.*


*Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?*

John 5:24-29

*Whoever hears my word and believes has passed from death to life.*
GOSPEL

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.

John 6:51-59

Whoever eats this bread will live forever, and I will raise them up on the last day.

John 11:17-27 OR SHORT FORM 11: 21-27

I am the resurrection and the life.

John 11:32-45

Lazarus, come out!

John 12:23-28 OR SHORT FORM 12: 23-26

If it dies, it produces much fruit.

John 14:1-6

In my Father’s house there are many dwellings.

John 17:24-26

I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

John 19:17-18, 25-39

And bowing his head he handed over his Spirit.

Link where you can find the complete readings on your computer: