

## Readings for Funerals

You may choose one [Old Testament reading](#):

- 2 Macabees 12:43-36 *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 *As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.*
- Wisdom 4:7-15 *An unsullied life, the attainment of old age.*
- Isaiah 26:6a, 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.*

(During Easter time only)

- [Acts 10:34-43](#) *He is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.*  
(short form, 10:34-36, 42-43 omit the words in bolded brackets [ ] for the short form of this reading)

You may choose one [Responsorial Psalms](#):

- 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 lift up my soul.*
- Psalm 25:1, 4, 7 and 8b and 9a, 13-14 *The Lord is my light and my salvation.*
- 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, 15-16c *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*
- 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.*
- Psalm 130: -2, 3-4, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8 *Out of the depths, I cry to you, Lord.*
- Psalm 143: 1-2, 5-6, 7ab and 8ab, 10 *O Lord, hear my prayer.*

You may choose one reading from the [New Testament](#) (2nd Reading):

- 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 *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 15:51-57 *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.*
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *Thus we shall always be with the Lord.*
- 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.*

Typically, the Pastor selects the Gospel Reading