

The Collects

with Epistle and Gospel readings

Sundays and Major Festivals

Advent Sunday

Year 1	Romans 13: 8-14	Matthew 21: 1-13
Year 2	1 Corinthians 1: 3-9	Mark 13: 33-37

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility so that on the last day, when he will come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(This collect is to be said daily during Advent until Christmas Eve)

Advent 2

Year 1	Romans 15: 4-13	Luke 21: 25-33
Year 2	2 Peter 3: 8-14	Mark 1: 1-8

Blessed Lord, who caused the holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that through patience and the comfort of your holy Word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the joyful hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Advent 3

Year 1	1 Corinthians 4: 1-5	Matthew 11: 2-10
Year 2	1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24	John 1: 6-8,19-28

Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger John the Baptist to prepare the way for you, grant that the ministers and stewards of your truth may so make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Advent 4

Year 1	Philippians 4: 4-7	John 1: 19-28
Year 2	Romans 16: 25-27	Luke 1: 26-38

Lord, come among us, we pray, with your power and help us with your great might so that, although we are hindered by our sins and wickedness from running the race set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us through the work of your Son our Lord to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be honour and glory now and for ever. **Amen.**

Christmas Day (*The Birthday of Christ*)

Year 1	Hebrews 1: 1-12	John 1: 1-18
Year 2	Titus 2: 11-14	Luke 2: 1-14

Almighty God, who gave us your only Son to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin, grant that we, who are born again in him and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Sunday after Christmas

Year 1	Galatians 4: 1-7	Matthew 1: 18-25
Year 2	Colossians 3: 12-21	Luke 2: 22-40

Almighty God, who gave us your only Son to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin, grant that we, who are born again in him and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Circumcision of Christ (*1 January*)

Year 1	Romans 4: 8-15	Luke 2: 15-21
Year 2	Galatians 4: 4-7	Luke 2: 15-21

Almighty God, who caused your blessed Son to be circumcised and obedient to the law for mankind, grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit so that, our hearts and bodies being dead to all sinful desires, we may obey your holy will in all things through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(This collect is to be used until 5 January)

The Epiphany (6 January)

Year 1	Ephesians 3: 1-13	Matthew 2: 1-12
Year 2	Isaiah 49: 1-6	Matthew 2: 1-12

O God, who revealed your only Son to the Gentiles by the leading of a star, mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may after this life enjoy the splendour of your glorious Godhead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 1

Year 1	Romans 12: 1-5	Luke 2: 41-52
Year 2	Acts 10: 34-38	Mark 1: 7-11

Merciful Lord, receive the prayers of your people who call upon you and grant that we may know those things we ought to do and also have the grace and power faithfully to perform them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 2

Year 1	Romans 12: 6-16	John 2: 1-11
Year 2	1 Corinthians 6: 12-20	John 1: 35-42

Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth: in mercy hear the prayers of your people and grant us your peace throughout our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 3

Year 1	Romans 12: 17-21	Matthew 8: 1-13
Year 2	Hebrews 4: 14-16	Mark 10: 33-45

Almighty and everlasting God, in mercy look upon our weakness and in all our dangers and necessities stretch out your right hand to help and defend us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 4

Year 1	Romans 13: 1-7	Matthew 8: 23-34
Year 2	Ephesians 5: 21-33	John 6: 60-69

Lord God, you know that we are in the midst of such dangers and that we cannot always stand upright because of the frailty of our nature: grant us strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 5

Year 1	Colossians 3: 12-17	Matthew 13: 24-30
Year 2	2 Corinthians 8: 7-15	Mark 5: 21-43

Heavenly Father, keep your household the church continually in your true religion so that we may lean only on the hope of your heavenly grace and always be defended by your mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Epiphany 6

Year 1	1 John 3: 1-8	Matthew 24: 23-31
Year 2	Galatians 5: 13-18	Luke 9: 51-62

O God, whose blessed Son was revealed so that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life, grant that, we, who have this hope, may purify ourselves as he is pure so that, when he shall appear in power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom, where he lives and reigns with you, the Father, and with you, the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Septuagesima (*Third Sunday before Lent*)

Year 1	1 Corinthians 9: 24-27	Matthew 20: 1-16
Year 2	Hebrews 2: 9-11	Mark 10: 2-16

Lord, hear with favour the prayers of your people so that we, who deserve to be punished for our offences, may mercifully be delivered by your goodness, for the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Sexagesima (*Second Sunday before Lent*)

Year 1	2 Corinthians 11: 16-31	Luke 8: 4-15
Year 2	Ephesians 4: 30-5: 2	John 6: 41-51

Lord God, you know that we do not put our trust in anything that we do: mercifully defend us by your power against all adversity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Quinquagesima (*The Sunday before Lent*)

Year 1	1 Corinthians 13: 1-13	Luke 18: 31-43
Year 2	1 Corinthians 7: 32-35	Mark 1: 21-28

Lord, you have taught us that whatever we do without love is worth nothing send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and all virtues; for without love whoever lives is reckoned dead by you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Ash Wednesday (*First day of Lent*)

Year 1	Joel 2: 12-17	Matthew 6: 16-21
Year 2	2 Corinthians 5: 16-6: 2	Matthew 6: 1-6,16-18

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: make in us new and contrite hearts so that, lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(This collect is to be said daily during Lent)

Lent 1

Year 1	2 Corinthians 6: 1-10	Matthew 4: 1-11
Year 2	1 Peter 3: 18-22	Mark 1: 12-15

Lord Jesus Christ, who for our sake fasted forty days and forty nights, give us grace so to discipline ourselves that we may always obey your will in righteousness and true holiness to the honour and glory of your name; for you live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lent 2

Year 1	1 Thessalonians 4: 1-8	Matthew 15: 21-28
Year 2	Romans 8: 31b-34	Mark 9: 2-10

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of our own to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls so that we may be defended from all ills that may befall the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lent 3

Year 1	Ephesians 5: 1-14	Luke 11: 14-28
Year 2	1 Corinthians 1: 22-25	John 2: 13-25

Almighty God, consider the heartfelt desires of your servants and stretch out the right hand of your majesty to defend us against all our enemies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lent 4

Year 1	Galatians 4: 21-31	John 6: 1-15
Year 2	Ephesians 2: 4-10	John 3: 14-21

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who deserve to be punished for our evil deeds, may by your grace and mercy be spared through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lent 5

Year 1	Hebrews 9: 11-15	John 8: 46-59
Year 2	Hebrews 5: 7-9	John 12: 20-33

Almighty God, look mercifully upon your people so that by your great goodness we may be always governed and preserved both in body and soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sunday before Easter

Year 1	Philippians 2: 5-11	Matthew 27: 1-54
Year 2	Philippians 2: 5-11	Mark 15: 1-39

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards mankind sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature and to suffer death upon the cross so that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility, grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also have our part in his resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(This collect is used daily until Maundy Thursday)

Monday before Easter

Year 1	Isaiah 63: 1-19	Mark 14: 1-72
Year 2	Isaiah 42: 1-7	John 12: 1-11

Tuesday before Easter

Year 1	Isaiah 50: 5-11	Mark 15: 1-39
Year 2	Isaiah 49: 1-6	John 13: 21-38

Wednesday before Easter

Year 1	Hebrews 9: 16-28	Luke 22: 1-71
Year 2	Isaiah 50: 4-9a	Matthew 26: 14-25

Thursday before Easter (Maundy Thursday)

Year 1	1 Corinthians 11: 17-34	Luke 23: 1-49
Year 2	1 Corinthians 11: 23-26	John 13: 1-15

The Good Friday Collects

Year 1	Hebrews 10: 1-25	John 19: 1-37
Year 1	Hebrews 4: 14-5: 10	John 18: 1-19: 42

Almighty God, in mercy look on this your family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men and to suffer death upon the cross, who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the church is governed and sanctified, receive our prayers which we offer to you for the many different members of your holy church so that every one in his vocation and ministry may truly and devoutly serve you through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful God, you have made all people and hate nothing that you have made, nor do you desire the death of sinners but rather that they should be converted and live: have mercy on the Jewish people and all who do not know you or who deny the faith of Christ crucified. Take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt for your Word and bring them home to your fold, blessed Lord, so that we may all become one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Easter Eve

Years 1&2 1 Peter 3: 17-22

Matthew 27: 57-66

Lord, into the death of whose dear Son our Saviour Jesus Christ we have been baptized, grant that we may continually put to death our sinful desires and be buried with him so that we may pass through the grave and gate of death to our joyful resurrection through the merits of him who died, was buried and rose again for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Easter Day

Year 1 Colossians 3: 1-7

John 20: 1-10

Year 2 Romans 6: 1-11

Mark 16: 1-8

Almighty God, through your only Son Jesus Christ you have conquered death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: by your grace put good desires into our minds and, in your mercy, help us to bring them to their fulfilment, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Monday in Easter week

Year 1&2 Acts 10: 34-43

Luke 24: 13-35

Tuesday in Easter week

Year 1&2 Acts 13: 26-41

Luke 24: 36-48

Easter 1

Year 1 1 John 5: 4-12

John 20: 19-23

Year 2 1 John 5: 1-6

John 20: 19-31

Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification, grant that we may put away the old leaven of malice and wickedness and always serve you in purity and truth through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Easter 2

Year 1 1 Peter 2: 19-25

John 10: 11-16

Year 2 1 John 2: 1-6

Luke 24: 35-48

Almighty God, who gave your only Son for us to be both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly life, give us grace so that we may always receive

with thankfulness the immeasurable benefit of his sacrifice, and try day by day to follow in the steps of his most holy life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Easter 3

Year 1	1 Peter 2: 11-17	John 16: 16-22
Year 2	1 John 3: 1-2	John 10: 11-18

Almighty God, you show the light of your truth to those who are in error so that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that they may reject everything that is contrary to their profession and follow whatever is in agreement with it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Easter 4

Year 1	James 1: 17-21	John 16: 5-15
Year 2	1 John 3: 18-24	John 5: 1-8

Almighty God, you alone can order the unruly wills and passions of sinful men: grant that your people may love what you command and desire what you promise so that among the many and varied changes of this world our hearts may be firmly fixed where true joys are to be found through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Easter 5

Year 1	James 1: 22-27	John 16: 23-33
Year 2	1 John 4: 7-10	John 15: 9-17

O Lord, from whom all good things come, grant to us your servants that by your holy inspiration we may think good thoughts and by your merciful guidance put them into practice through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Ascension Day

Year 1	Acts 1: 1-11	Mark 16: 14-20
Year 2	Acts 1: 1-11	Luke 24: 46-53

Almighty God, we believe that your only begotten Son ascended into heaven: grant that in our hearts and minds we may also ascend there and dwell continually with him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sunday after Ascension Day

Year 1	1 Peter 4: 7-11	John 15: 26-16.4
Year 2	1 John 4: 11-16	John 17: 11b-19

O God, the King of glory, who exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven, do not leave us desolate, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ has gone before, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever. **Amen.**

Whit-Sunday (Pentecost)

Year 1	Acts 2: 1-11	John 14: 15-31
Year 2	1 Corinthians 12: 1-13	John 20: 19-23

Almighty God, who taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit, grant that by the same Spirit we may judge everything rightly and always rejoice in his holy protection through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Trinity Sunday

Year 1	Revelation 4: 1-11	John 3: 1-16
Year 2	Romans 8: 14-17	Matthew 28: 16-20

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us grace, thereby enabling us to bear witness to the glory of the eternal Trinity and to worship you as the one God: we humbly pray that you will keep us firm in the confession of this faith and always defend us when we are in trouble, for you live and reign the one true God. **Amen.**

Trinity 1

Year 1	1 John 4: 7-21	Luke 16: 19-31
Year 2	1 Corinthians 7: 29-31	Mark 1: 14-20

Lord God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our human nature we cannot do anything good without you, grant us the help of your grace so that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 2

Year 1	1 John 3: 13-24	Luke 14: 16-24
Year 2	2 Corinthians 5: 14-21	Mark 4: 35-41

Lord God, the unfailing helper and guide of those whom you bring up in your unmovable fear and love, keep us, we pray, under the protection of your good providence and give us a continual reverence and love for your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 3

Year 1	1 Peter 5: 5-11	Luke 15: 1-10
Year 2	Hebrews 4: 12-13	Mark 10: 17-30

Graciously hear us, Lord God, and grant that we, to whom you have given the desire to pray, may be defended by your mighty aid and strengthened in all dangers and adversities, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 4

Year 1	Romans 8: 18-23	Luke 6: 36-42
Year 2	Ephesians 4: 1-6	John 6: 1-15

Almighty God, the protector of all who believe in you and without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may pass through the things of this age in such a way that we do not finally lose the things of the age to come. Grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

Trinity 5

Year 1	1 Peter 3: 8-15a	Luke 5: 1-11
Year 2	1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24	John 1: 19-28

Almighty God, we pray that you may so govern the course of this world that it may be peaceably ordered and that your church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 6

Year 1	Romans 6: 3-11	Matthew 5: 20-26
Year 2	Ephesians 5: 15-20	John 6: 51-58

God our Father, you have prepared for those who love you good things that surpass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love towards you that, loving you above all, we may obtain your promises which are greater than we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 7

Year 1	Romans 6: 19-23	Mark 8: 1-10
Year 2	Ephesians 1: 3-14	Mark 6: 7-13

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things, graft the love of your name in our hearts, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all that is good, and by your great mercy keep us in this condition, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 8

Year 1	Romans 8: 12-17	Matthew 7: 15-23
Year 2	2 Corinthians 4: 6-12	Mark 2: 23-3: 6

Almighty God, whose never-failing providence governs everything in heaven and on earth, humbly we ask you to remove all that is hurtful and to give that which is profitable to us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 9

Year 1	1 Corinthians 10: 1-13	Luke 16: 1-9
Year 2	2 Corinthians 1: 18-22	Mark 2: 1-12

Grant us, Lord, we pray, the spirit always to think and do those things that are right, so that we, who cannot do anything good without you, may be able in your strength to live according to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 10

Year 1	1 Corinthians 12: 1-11	Luke 19: 41-48
Year 2	1 Corinthians 10: 31-11.1	Mark 1: 40-45

Let your merciful ears, Lord God, be open to the prayers of your people and, so that we may obtain our petitions, teach us to ask for those things that please you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 11

Year 1	1 Corinthians 15: 1-11	Luke 18: 9-14
Year 2	James 5: 1-6	Mark 9: 38-48

Lord God, you show your Almighty power most of all in showing mercy and pity: grant us such a measure of your grace that in carrying out your commandments we may obtain your promises and share in your heavenly treasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 12

Year 1	2 Corinthians 3: 4-11	Mark 7: 31-37
Year 2	James 1: 17-27	Mark 7: 1-23

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray and you constantly give more than we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy by forgiving us those things of which our consciences are afraid and by giving us those good things for which we are no worthy to ask except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 13

Year 1	Galatians 3: 16-22	Luke 10: 23-37
Year 2	Hebrews 7: 23-28	Mark 12: 28-34

Merciful God, by whose gift alone your faithful people offer you true and acceptable service, grant that we may serve you faithfully so that we do not finally fail to obtain your heavenly promises, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 14

Year 1	Galatians 5: 16-24	Luke 17: 11-19
Year 2	Hebrews 5: 1-10	Mark 10: 46-52

Almighty and eternal God, grant that we may grow in faith, hope, and love; and, so that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 15

Year 1	Galatians 6: 11-18	Matthew 6: 24-34
Year 2	2 Corinthians 3: 1-6	Mark 2: 18-22

Guard your church, Lord God, with your continual mercy, and because in our frailty we cannot stand without you, keep us from all that may harm, and lead us to all that makes for our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 16

Year 1	Ephesians 3: 13-21	Luke 7: 11-17
Year 2	James 3: 16-4.3	Mark 9: 30-37

Lord, let your continual pity cleanse and defend your church, and because it cannot continue in safety without your aid, protect it by your help and goodness for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 17

Year 1	Ephesians 4: 1-6	Luke 14: 1-11
Year 2	2 Corinthians 5: 6-10	Mark 4: 26-34

Lord, we pray that your grace may always go before and follow after us and make us continually committed to all good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 18

Year 1	1 Corinthians 1: 4-9	Matthew 22: 34-46
Year 2	2 Corinthians 12: 7-10	Mark 6: 1-6

Lord, give grace to your people to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to follow you the only God with pure hearts and minds, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 19

Year 1	Ephesians 4: 17-32	Matthew 9: 1-8
Year 2	2 Corinthians 4: 13-5.5	Mark 3: 20-35

Lord God, because without you we are not able to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in everything direct and rule our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 20

Year 1	Ephesians 5: 15-21	Matthew 22: 1-14
Year 2	Hebrews 9: 24-28	Mark 12: 38-44

Almighty and merciful God, keep us by your bountiful goodness from everything that may hurt us so that we may be ready both in body and soul cheerfully to accomplish whatever you want us to do, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 21

Year 1	Ephesians 6: 10-20	John 4: 46-54
Year 2	James 2: 14-26	Mark 8: 27-35

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 22

Year 1	Philippians 1: 3-11	Matthew 18: 21-35
Year 2	Hebrews 10: 11-18	Mark 13: 24-32

Father in heaven, keep your household the church firm in godliness, so that it may by your protection be free from all adversities and may devoutly serve you in good works to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 23

Year 1	Philippians 3: 17-21	Matthew 22: 15-22
Year 2	1 Corinthians 9: 16-23	Mark 1: 29-39

Lord God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of your church and grant that what we ask for in faith we may surely obtain, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trinity 24

Year 1	Colossians 1: 3-14	Matthew 9: 18-26
Year 2	James 2: 1-5	Mark 7: 31-37

Lord, we pray, absolve your people from their offences so that through your bountiful goodness we may be set free from the chains of those sins which in our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

Trinity 25 (*Sunday before Advent*)

Year 1	Jeremiah 23: 5-8	John 6: 5-14
Year 2	Revelation 1: 4-8	John 18: 33-37

Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord, so that we may produce abundantly the fruit of good works and receive your abundant reward, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(If there are any more Sundays before Advent the Collects for those Sundays after the Epiphany that were omitted are to be used. If there are fewer the surplus should be omitted providing that this Collect for Trinity 25 is always used on the Sunday before Advent)

Saints' Days

Andrew (*30 November*)

Romans 10: 8-21

Matthew 4: 18-22

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your holy apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him without delay, grant that we who are called by your holy Word may give ourselves at once to obey all your commands, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Thomas the apostle (*21 December*)

Ephesians 2: 19-22

John 20: 24-31

Almighty and eternal God, who permitted your holy apostle Thomas to doubt your Son's resurrection to the intent that the certainty of that event would be all the more confirmed, grant that we may perfectly and without any doubt believe in your Son Jesus Christ so that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Stephen (*26 December*)

Acts 7: 55-60

Matthew 23: 34-39

Grant, O Lord, that in all our sufferings for the testimony of your truth we may look up steadfastly to heaven and see by faith the glory that is to be revealed and, filled with the Holy Spirit, may learn to love and pray for our persecutors as Stephen your first martyr prayed for his murderers to you, blessed Jesus, where you stand at the right hand of God to help all who suffer for you, our only mediator and advocate. **Amen.**

John the evangelist (*27 December*)

1 John 1: 1-10

John 21: 19b-25

Merciful Lord, let the bright beams of your light shine upon your church so that, enlightened by the teaching of your blessed apostle and evangelist John, we may walk in the light of your truth and come at the last to the light of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Innocents (28 December)

Revelation 14: 1-5

Matthew 2: 13-18

Almighty God, whose purpose it is that the lips of children and infants praise you and who were glorified in their deaths, put to death all evil within us and so strengthen us by your grace that by the innocency of our lives and constancy of our faith we may glorify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Conversion of Paul (25 January)

Acts 9: 1-22

Matthew 19: 27-30

O God, who through the preaching of the apostle Paul caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world, grant that as we remember his wonderful conversion we may show our thankfulness by following the holy doctrine which he taught, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Presentation of Christ (Purification of Mary) (2 February)

Malachi 3: 1-5

Luke 2: 22-40

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that as your only Son was presented in the temple in our human flesh, may we be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by the same, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Matthias (24 February)

Acts 1: 15-26

Matthew 11: 25-30

Almighty God, who chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the twelve apostles in the place of Judas, grant that your church may always be preserved from false apostles and guided by faithful and true pastors, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Annunciation of Mary the virgin (25 March)

Isaiah 7: 10-15

Luke 1: 26-38

Pour your grace into our hearts O Lord we pray, so that, as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, we may be brought by his cross and suffering to the glory of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Mark (25 April)

Ephesians 4: 7-16

John 15: 1-11

Almighty God, who through the heavenly teaching of Mark the evangelist instructed your church, give us grace so that we may not be carried away with every wind of false teaching but may be established in the truth of your holy gospel, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Philip and James (1 May)

James 1: 1-12

John 14: 1-14

Almighty God, whom truly to know is eternal life, grant us perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, so that, following in the steps of your holy apostles Philip and James, we may steadfastly walk in the way that leads to eternal life, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

Barnabas the apostle (11 June)

Acts 11: 22-30

John 15: 12-17

Lord God Almighty, who endowed your holy apostle Barnabas with special gifts of the Holy Spirit, do not leave us destitute of your many gifts, nor of grace always to use them to your honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

John the Baptist (24 June)

Isaiah 40: 1-11

Luke 1: 57-80

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born and sent to prepare the way for your Son our Saviour by preaching repentance, make us so to follow his teaching and the example of his holy life that we may truly repent, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peter (29 June)

Acts 12: 1-11

Matthew 16: 13-19

Almighty God, who by your Son Jesus Christ gave to your apostle Peter many excellent gifts and commanded him earnestly to feed your flock, make all bishops and pastors diligently to preach your word and all people obediently to follow it that they may receive the crown of eternal glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

James the apostle (25 July)

Acts 11: 27-12.3

Matthew 20: 20-28

Grant, O merciful God, that as your holy apostle James left his father and all that he had and without delay obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him, so may we always be ready to forsake all worldly affections and follow your holy commands, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bartholomew the apostle (24 August)

Acts 5: 12-16

Luke 22: 24-30

Almighty and eternal God, who gave your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word, grant that your church may not only receive that word but also love and preach it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Matthew the apostle (21 September)

2 Corinthians 4: 1-6

Matthew 9: 9-13

Almighty God, who by your beloved Son did call Matthew from his place of business to be an apostle and evangelist, grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and the selfish love of riches and to follow your Son Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Michael and all angels (*29 September*)

Revelation 12: 7-12 Matthew 18: 1-11

Eternal God, by whom the ministries of angels and men have been ordained and constituted in a wonderful order, grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Luke the evangelist (*18 October*)

2 Timothy 4: 5-15 Luke 10: 1-7

Almighty God, who called Luke the physician to be an evangelist and physician of the soul, praised by all the churches for his service to the gospel, grant that through the wholesome medicine of your word written by him all the diseases of our souls may be healed, through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The apostles Simon and Jude (*28 October*)

Jude 1-8 John 15: 17-27

Almighty God, who built your church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ as the chief cornerstone, grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All saints (*1 November*)

Revelation 7: 2-12 Matthew 5: 1-12

Almighty God, who joined together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord, grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who sincerely love you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**