

**ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FUNERALS**

**GOSPEL READINGS**

- 27. Matthew 5:1-12**  
*Rejoice and Be Glad, For Your  
Reward Will Be Great In Heaven*
- 28. Matthew 11:25-30**  
*Come To Me...And I Will Give You Rest*
- 29. Matthew 25:31-46**  
*Come, You Whom My Father Has  
Blessed*
- 30. Luke 7:11-17**  
*Young Man, I Say to You, Arise*
- 31. Luke 12:35-40**  
*Be Prepared*
- 32. Luke 23:33, 39-43**  
*Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise*
- 33. John 5:24-29**  
*Whoever Hears My Word and Believes Has  
Passed From Death to Life*
- 34. John 6:37-40**  
*All Who Believe In the Son Will Have  
Eternal Life and I Will Raise Them to Life  
Again On the Last Day*
- 35. John 12:12-28**  
*If it dies, it produces much fruit.*
- 36. John 14:1-6**  
*There Are Many Rooms in My Father's  
House*
- 37. John 17:24-26**  
*I wish that where I am they also may be  
with me.*

**SONGS**

- \_\_\_ Amazing Grace
- \_\_\_ Be Not Afraid
- \_\_\_ Be Still, My Soul
- \_\_\_ Bread of Angels
- \_\_\_ Carry Me Home
- \_\_\_ City of God
- \_\_\_ Eye Has Not Seen
- \_\_\_ Gather Us In
- \_\_\_ Gift of Finest Wheat
- \_\_\_ Glory and Praise to Our God
- \_\_\_ Hail Mary, Gentle Woman
- \_\_\_ Here I Am, Lord
- \_\_\_ Holy God We Praise Thy Name
- \_\_\_ Hosea
- \_\_\_ How Great Thou Art
- \_\_\_ I Am the Bread of Life
- \_\_\_ I Have Loved You
- \_\_\_ I Heard the Voice of Jesus
- \_\_\_ I Know That My Redeemer Lives
- \_\_\_ Immaculate Mary
- \_\_\_ Irish Blessing
- \_\_\_ Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
- \_\_\_ Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
- \_\_\_ May the Road Rise Up
- \_\_\_ On Eagle's Wings
- \_\_\_ One Bread, One Body
- \_\_\_ Only a Shadow
- \_\_\_ Precious Lord, Take My Hand
- \_\_\_ Remember Your Love
- \_\_\_ Saints and Beloved of God
- \_\_\_ Seed Scattered and Sown
- \_\_\_ Sing a New Song
- \_\_\_ Sing to the Mountains
- \_\_\_ Sing with All the Saints in Glory
- \_\_\_ Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling
- \_\_\_ Soon and Very Soon
- \_\_\_ To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King
- \_\_\_ We Remember
- \_\_\_ You are Near

**A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew.**

When he saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of  
righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and  
utter every kind of evil against you (falsely) because of me.

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

***The Gospel of the Lord.***

## **A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew**

At that time Jesus said in reply,

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for although you have hidden these things from the wise  
and the learned,  
you have revealed them to the childlike.  
Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father.

No one knows the Son except the Father,  
and no one knows the Father except the Son  
and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,  
for I am meek and humble of heart;  
and you will find rest for your selves.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

#### **A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him.

And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'

Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'

And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.'

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

***The Gospel of the Lord.***

## **A Reading from the Gospel of Luke**

Jesus journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him.

As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow.

A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!"

The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people." This report about him spread through the whole of Judea and in all the surrounding region.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

## **GOSPEL READING # 31**

Luke 12:35-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Gird your loins and light your lamps  
and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding,  
ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks.

Blessed are those servants

whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.

Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself,

have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.

And should he come in the second or third watch

and find them prepared in this way,

blessed are those servants.

Be sure of this:

if the master of the house had known the hour

when the thief was coming,

he would not have let his house be broken into.

You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect,

the Son of Man will come.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

## **GOSPEL READING # 32**

Luke 23:33, 39-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

When the soldiers came to the place called the Skull,  
they crucified Jesus and the criminals there,  
one on his right, the other on his left.

Now one of the criminals hanging there  
reviled Jesus, saying,  
“Are you not the Christ?  
Save yourself and us.”

The other man, however, rebuking him, said in reply,  
“Have you no fear of God,  
for you are subject to the same condemnation?

And indeed, we have been condemned justly,  
for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes,  
but this man has done nothing criminal.”

Then he said,

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.”

He replied to him,

“Amen, I say to you,  
today you will be with me in Paradise.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

### **A Reading from the Gospel of John.**

Amen, amen, I say to you,  
    whoever hears my word and believes  
    in the one who sent me  
    has eternal life and will not come to condemnation,  
    but has passed from death to life.

Amen, amen, I say to you,  
    the hour is coming and is now here  
    when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God,  
    and those who hear will live.

For just as the Father has life in himself,  
    so also he gave to his Son the possession of life in himself.  
And he gave him power to exercise judgment,  
    because he is the Son of Man.

Do not be amazed at this,  
    because the hour is coming  
    in which all who are in the tombs  
    will hear his voice and will come out,  
    those who have done good deeds  
    to the resurrection of life,  
    but those who have done wicked deeds  
    to the resurrection of condemnation.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**



### **A Reading from the Gospel of John.**

Jesus said to the crowds:

“Everything that the Father gives me will come to me,  
and I will not reject anyone who comes to me,  
because I came down from heaven not to do my own will  
but the will of the one who sent me.

And this is the will of the one who sent me,  
that I should not lose anything of what he gave me,  
but that I should raise it on the last day.

For this is the will of my Father,  
that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him  
may have eternal life,  
and I shall raise him on the last day.”

### **The Gospel of the Lord.**

## **GOSPEL READING # 35**

John 12:12-28

### **A Reading from the Gospel of John.**

Jesus told his disciples:

“The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Amen, amen, I say to you,

unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,

it remains just a grain of wheat;

but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves their life loses it,

and whoever hates their life in this world

will preserve it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me,

and where I am, there also will my servant be.

The Father will honor whoever serves me.

“I am troubled now. Yet what should I say?

‘Father, save me from this hour’?

But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour.

Father, glorify your name.”

Then a voice came from heaven,

“I have glorified it and will glorify it again.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

You have faith in God; have faith also in me.

In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.

If there were not,

would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,

I will come back again and take you to myself,

so that where I am you also may be.

Where I am going you know the way.”

Thomas said to him,

“Master, we do not know where you are going;

how can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.”

***The Gospel of the Lord.***

**A Reading from the Gospel of John**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

“Father, those whom you gave me are your gift to me.  
I wish that where I am they also may be with me,  
that they may see my glory that you gave me,  
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.  
Righteous Father, the world also does not know you,  
but I know you, and they know that you sent me.

I made known to them your name and I will make it  
known, that the love with which you loved me  
may be in them and I in them.”

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