



The Gospel According to Saint Luke

A reading plan for Eastertide in the Jubilee Year 2025





Thank you for responding to the invitation and challenge to read the whole of the Gospel according to Saint Luke between Easter and Pentecost. On numerous occasions throughout his pontificate Pope Francis has asked, 'Have you read part of the gospel today?' or 'Do you carry a gospel with you to be able to read some verses each day?' The Holy Father commends reading part of the Gospel every day so that we can listen to Jesus at all times. In this Jubilee Year '*Pilgrims of Hope*' I invite you to join me in reading S.Luke's Gospel this Eastertide, just a few verses each day. If you are able to share that reading aloud with your family all the better, perhaps taking turns with the pericopes for the day. In calling the Jubilee Year, Pope Francis wrote, *During the Holy Year, we are called to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind ... following the life and example of Jesus who at the beginning of his ministry, presenting himself as the fulfilment of the "year of the Lord's favour" (cf. Lk 4:18-19). (cf. Spes Non Confundit. 10)*

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel) the Holy Father says the Lord does not disappoint those who take the risk of letting Him encounter them each day; '*no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord*'. (3)

I invite you now, in prayer, to discover again the gift of Christ through these sacred words. Allow yourself to be challenged and persuaded. Permit yourself to be refreshed and surprised. My prayer for you is that in reading Luke's account, you will once again discover the joy of the gospel, and with your heart burning within you and renewed in faith – your life will proclaim the Lord's favour aloud in the world around you as a gift to all those whom you encounter.

'Mary, Virgin and Mother, ... obtain for us a new ardour born of the resurrection, that we may bring to all the Gospel of life which triumphs over death.' (EG.288)

+Peter



*ANY TIME WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD...
THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST IS BEING POURED INTO OUR EARS...
THE DIVINE WORD IS EXCEEDINGLY RICH,
CONTAINING WITHIN ITSELF EVERY DELIGHT.*

SAINT JEROME.

Saint Luke's Gospel

This account of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and his teaching represents the heart of the Christian story – an account that describes the gift of new life, offered to each one of us. Through the lens of Luke, a Gentile Christian writing for Gentile Christians around the year 70 we gain a unique perspective on Jesus and his passion for social justice and the plight of the poor. We discover six miracles and 18 parables not found in the other gospels; and a special connection with the women in Jesus' life, especially Mary in his description of the Annunciation, Visitation and Magnificat. It is in Luke's gospel that we find an emphasis on mercy and forgiveness most famously in the stories of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. This all reflects a universalism not found in the other Gospels. The importance of hospitality and journeys are two more themes running throughout, reaching their climax with the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus (24:13ff), when their 'hearts burned within them' with the vitality of the Good News. Luke projects on the events of the life of Jesus the light of the mystery of the Passion-Resurrection. He views the life, death and resurrection of Jesus as a complete unit; and he alone of the evangelists relates the Ascension of Jesus.

The words of this gospel echo throughout the centuries precisely because the God who speaks, continues to invite us to be transformed, and gradually conformed to the likeness of the One who was the gift to others. Not dead words on a page, but a living message addressed to each of us personally.

PROLOGUE & INFANCY GOSPEL 1:1 - 2:52

DAY 1

Dedication to Theophilus 1:1-4

The Birth of John the Baptist Foretold 1:5-25

DAY 2

The Birth of Jesus Foretold 1:26-38

Mary Visits Elizabeth 1:39-45

Mary's Song of Praise 1:46-56

DAY 3

The Birth of John the Baptist 1:57-66

Zechariah's Prophecy 1:67-20

DAY 4

The Birth of Jesus 2:1-7

The Shepherds and the Angels 2:8-20

Jesus is Named 2:21

DAY 5

Jesus is presented in the Temple 2:22-38

The return to Jerusalem 2:39-40

The Boy Jesus in the Temple 2:41-52

GALILEAN MINISTRY 3:1 - 9:50**DAY 6**

The Proclamation of John the Baptist 3:1-20

The Baptism of Jesus 3:21-22

The Ancestors of Jesus 3:23-38

DAY 7

The temptation of Jesus 4:1-13

The Beginning of the Galilean Ministry 4:14-15

DAY 8

The Rejection of Jesus at Nazareth 4:16-30

The Man with an unclean Spirit 4:31-37

DAY 9

Healings at Simon's House 4:38-41

Jesus Preaches in the Synagogue 4:42-44

Jesus Calls the First Disciples 5:1-11

Jesus Cleanses a Leper 5:12-16

DAY 10

Jesus Heals a Paralytic 5:17-26

Jesus Calls Levi 5:27-32

The Question about Fasting 5:33-39

The Question about the Sabbath 6:1-5

DAY 11

The Man with the Withered Hand 6:6-11

Jesus Chooses the Twelve Apostles 6:12-16

Jesus Teaches and heals 6:17-19

Blessings and Woes 6:20-26

Love for Enemies 6:27-36

DAY 12

Judging Others 6:37-42

A Tree and Its Fruit 6:43-45

The Two Foundations 6:46-49

DAY 13

Jesus Heals a Centurion's Servant 7:1-10

Jesus Raises the Widow's Son at Nain 7:11-17

Messages from John the Baptist 7:18-35

DAY 14

A Sinful Woman Forgiven 7:36-50

Some Women Accompany Jesus 8:1-3

DAY 15

The Parable of the Sower 8:4-8

The Purpose of Parables 8:9-10

The Parable of the Sower Explained 8:11-15

A Lamp under a Jar 8:16-18

The True Kindred of Jesus 8:19-21

Jesus Calms a Storm 8:22-25

DAY 16

Jesus Heals the Gerasene Demoniac 8:26-39

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed 8:40-56

DAY 17

The Mission of the Twelve 9:1-6

Herod's Perplexity 9:7-9

Feeding the Five Thousand 9:10-17

Peter's Declaration about Jesus 9:18-20

Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection 9:21-27

DAY 18

The Transfiguration 9:28-36

Jesus Heals a Boy with a Demon 9:37-43

Jesus again foretells his Death 9:44-45

True Greatness 9:46-48

Another Exorcist 9:49-50

JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM 9:51 – 21:38**DAY 19**

A Samaritan Village Refuses to Receive Jesus 9:51-56

Would be Followers of Jesus 9:57-62

The Mission of the Seventy 10:1-12

Woes to Unrepentant Cities 10:13-16

DAY 20

The return of the Seventy 10:17-20

Jesus Rejoices 10:21-24

The Parable of the Good Samaritan 10:25-37

DAY 21

Jesus Visits Martha and Mary 10:38-42

The Lord's Prayer 11:1-4

Perseverance in Prayer 11:5-13

DAY 22

Jesus and Beelzebul 11:14-23

The Return of the Unclean Spirit 11:24-26

True Blessedness 11:27-28

The Sign of Jonah 11:29-32

The Light of the Body 11:33-36

DAY 23

Jesus Denounces Pharisees and Lawyers 11:37-54

A Warning against Hypocrisy 12:1-3

DAY 24

Exhortation to Fearless Confession 12:4-12

The Parable of the Rich Fool 12:13-21

Do Not Worry 12:22-34

DAY 25

Watchful Slaves 12:35—40

The Faithful or the Unfaithful Slave 12:41-48

Jesus the Cause of Division 12:49-53

Interpreting the Time 12:54-56

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Repent or Perish 13:1-5

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Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman 13:10-17

The Parable of the Mustard Seed 13:18-19

The Parable of the Yeast 13:20-21

The Narrow Door 13:22-30

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The Lament over Jerusalem 13:31-35

Jesus Heals the Man with Dropsy 14:1-6

Humility and Hospitality 14:7-14

The Parable of the Great Dinner 14:15-24

DAY 28

The Cost of Discipleship 14:25-33

About Salt 14:34-35

The Parable of the Lost Sheep 15:1-7

The Parable of the Lost Coin 15:8-10

DAY 29

The Parable of the Prodigal and His Brother 15:11-32

DAY 30

The Parable of the Dishonest Manager 16:1-13

The Law and the Kingdom of God 16:14-18

DAY 31

The Rich Man and Lazarus 16:19-31

Some Sayings of Jesus 17:1-10

DAY 32

Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers 17:11-19

The Coming of the Kingdom 17:20-37

DAY 33

The Parable of the Widow & the Unjust Judge 18:1-8

The Parable of the Pharisee Tax-Collector 18:9-14

Jesus Blesses Little Children 18:15-17

DAY 34

The Rich Ruler 18:18-30

A 3rd Time Jesus Foretells His Death & Resurrection 18:31-34

Jesus Heals a Blind Beggar Near Jericho 18:35-43

DAY 35

Jesus and Zacchaeus 19:1-10

The Parable of the Ten Pounds 19:11-27

DAY 36

Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem 19:28-40

Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem 19:41-44

Jesus Cleanses the Temple 19:45-48

DAY 37

The Authority of Jesus Questioned 20:1-8

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants 20:9-19

DAY 38

The Question about Paying Taxes 20:20-26

The Question about the Resurrection 20:27-40

The Question about David's Son 20:41-44

DAY 39

Jesus Denounces the Scribes 20:45-47
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 The Destruction of the Temple Foretold 21:5-6
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The Coming of the Son of Man 21:25-28
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The Plot to Kill Jesus 22:1-6
 The Preparation of the Passover 22:7-13
 The Institution of the Lord's Supper 22:14-23

DAY 42

The Dispute about Greatness 22:24-30
 Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial 22:31-34
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 Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives 22:39-46
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DAY 43

Peter denies Jesus 22:54-62
 The Mocking and Beating of Jesus 22:63-65
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Jesus before Pilate 23:1-5
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DAY 45

The Crucifixion of Jesus 23:26-43
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The Resurrection of Jesus 24:1-12

DAY 47

The Walk to Emmaus 24:13-35

DAY 48

Jesus Appears to His Disciples 24:36-49
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***THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.
 PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST***



THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have gifted us in
your son Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity
kindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us, the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into diligent cultivators of the evangelical seeds
that make humanity and the cosmos rise
unto the confident expectation
of the new heavens and the new earth,
when with the powers of Evil overcome,
your glory shall be manifested eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
the yearning for heavenly treasures
and pour over all the earth
the joy and peace
of our Redeemer.

To you God blessed in eternity,
be praise and glory for ever and ever.
Amen.

Franciscus

JUBILEE LOGO

The Logo shows four stylized figures to indicate all of humanity from the four corners of the earth. They are each embracing another, indicating the solidarity and brotherhood that must unite peoples. It should be noted that the first figure is clinging to the cross. The underlying waves are choppy to indicate that the pilgrimage of life is not always on calm waters. Oftentimes personal circumstances and world events call for a greater sense of hope. This is why the lower part of the Cross is elongated turning into an anchor, which dominates the movement of the waves. As is well known, the anchor has often been used as a metaphor for hope. In fact, in maritime jargon, the hope anchor is the name given to the spare anchor, used by vessels for emergency manoeuvres to stabilize the ship during storms. It should be noted that the image shows how the pilgrim's journey is not individual, but rather communal, with the signs of a growing dynamism that moves more and more toward the Cross. The Cross is by no means static, but it, too, is dynamic, bending toward and meeting humanity as if not to leave it alone, but rather offering the certainty of its presence and the reassurance of hope. Finally, the Jubilee 2025 Motto, *Peregrinantes in Spem* is clearly visible in the colour green.