

Advent
and
Christmas
Scripture Challenge



The living Word of God
will transform your life!



Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina (or Divine Reading) is a way of becoming immersed with Sacred Scripture in a deeply personal way. It is a way of developing a closer relationship with God by reflecting prayerfully on His words. The stages of Lectio Divina have been described as compass points around a circle, with the Holy Spirit moving seamlessly between them.

Prepare

Place yourself in the presence of God and ask the Holy Spirit for help.

Read (Lectio)

Read the Scripture passage slowly a couple of times. Pay attention to any words or phrases that seem to stand out. Wait patiently for God's guidance.

Reflect (Meditatio)

Place your self in the passage. What is God trying to tell me? How is this relevant in my life?

Respond (Oratio)

Talk to God about the passage. Consider recording your thoughts in a prayer journal. Respond to Our Lord's message with a resolution to act or to change or to just simply listen in prayer.

Rest (Contemplatio)

Sit quietly in the Presence of God. Relish your time with Our Lord.



First Week of Advent

Sunday, December 1, 2024

Mark 13:33-37

Monday, December 2, 2024:

Luke 20:1-8

Tuesday, December 3, 2024:

Luke 20:9-18

Wednesday, December 4, 2024:

Luke 20:19-26

Thursday, December 5, 2024:

Luke 20:27-40

Friday, December 6, 2024:

Luke 20:41-21:4

Saturday, December 7, 2024:

Luke 21:5-19

Second Week of Advent

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Mark 1:1-8

Monday, December 9, 2024:

Luke 21:20-28

Tuesday, December 10, 2024:

Luke 21:29-38

Wednesday, December 11, 2024:

John 7:53-8:11

Thursday, December 12, 2024:

Luke 22:1-13

Friday, December 13, 2024:

Luke 22:14-30

Saturday, December 14, 2024:

Luke 22:31-38

Third Week of Advent

Sunday, December 15, 2024

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday, December 16, 2024:

Luke 22:39-53

Tuesday, December 17, 2024:

Luke 22:54-69

Wednesday, December 18, 2024:

John 3:16-21

Thursday, December 19, 2024:

John 5:30-47

Friday, December 20, 2024:

Luke 1:5-25

Saturday, December 21, 2024:

Luke 1:26-38

Fourth Week of Advent

Sunday, December 22, 2024

Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

Monday, December 23, 2024:

Luke 1:57-66

Tuesday, December 24, 2024:

Luke 1:67-79



Christmas and Octave

Wednesday, December 25, 2024

John 1:1-18

Thursday, December 26, 2024

Matthew 10:17-22

Friday, December 27, 2024

John 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday, December 28, 2024

Matthew 2:13-18

Sunday, December 29, 2024

Luke 2:22-40

Monday, December 30, 2024

Luke 2:36-40

Tuesday, December 31, 2024

John 1:1-18

Mary Mother of God to Epiphany

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Luke 2:16-21

Thursday, January 2, 2025

John 1:19-28

Friday, January 3, 2025

John 1:29-34

Saturday, January 4, 2025

John 1:35-42

Epiphany

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Matthew 2:1-12



O Antiphons

December 17

O Wisdom of our God Most High,
guiding creation with power and love:
come to teach us the path of knowledge!

December 18

O Leader of the House of Israel,
giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai:
come to rescue us with your mighty power!

December 19

O Root of Jesse's stem,
sign of God's love for all his people:
come to save us without delay!

December 20

O Key of David,
opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom:
come and free the prisoners of darkness!

December 21

O Radiant Dawn,
splendor of eternal light, sun of justice:
come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the
shadow of death.

December 22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church:
come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

December 23

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law:
come to save us, Lord our God!

—From Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers



