

Preparing to Read Lessons

Instructions for Lectors and Preachers

The readings for each Sunday can be found on-line at:
<http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

From Sunday, November 27, 2016 until Sunday, November 26, 2017
we will be using the readings for Lectionary **Year A**

1. Whenever there are two tracks of readings to choose from,
always prepare to read from **Track 2**.
Example: On June 18, 2017, (The Second Sunday after Pentecost), there are
two tracks of readings. Lectors should prepare to read the Track 2.
Exodus 19:2-8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1-8, Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

2. If there are two readings to choose from for a specific part of the liturgy
(ex. two Old Testament readings; two psalms or a canticle and a psalm; two epistles)
always prepare to read **the selection that appears second** on the Lectionary Page.
Example: On December 11, 2016 (Third Sunday of Advent) there is a choice
between Psalm 146:4-9 or the canticle, The Song of Mary, *Magnificat*.
Since the canticle is listed second on the Lectionary Page, lectors should prepare
to read the canticle.

3. Sometimes a reading will have [some of the verses surrounded by brackets.]
When this happens, we **do not** read the verses between the brackets.

4. If the preacher chooses to use a bible passage that is different from these instructions,
**it is the preacher's responsibility to let the lectors and the parish secretary know
of any changes**, so the bulletin will be prepared correctly and the lectors can
prepare to read.

If you have any questions, contact Paul LeClair.