

**Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve**

**Readings:** Isaiah 9:2-7, Psalm 96, Titus 2:11-14, Luke 2:1-14

**Prayer of the Day:** Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the rightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**Mon – Dec 25 – Christmas Day**

**Readings:** Isaiah 52:7-10, Psalm 98, Hebrews 1:1-4, John 1:1-14

**Prayer of the Day:** Almighty God, you gave us your only Son to take on our human nature and to illumine the world with your light. By your grace adopt us as your children and enlighten us with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Tue – Dec. 26-Stephen, Deacon and Martyr**

**Readings:** 2 Chronicles 24:17-22, Psalm 17:1-9, 15, Acts 6:8-7:2a, 51-60, Matthew 23:34-39

**Prayer of the Day:** We give you thanks, O Lord of glory, for the example of Stephen the first martyr, who looked to heaven and prayed for his persecutors. Grant that we also may pray for our enemies and seek forgiveness for those who hurt us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Wed – Dec. 27- John, Apostle and Evangelist**

**Readings:** Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31, Psalm 116:12-19, 1 John 1:1-2:2, John 21:20-25

**Prayer of the Day:** Merciful God, through John the apostle and evangelist you have revealed the mysteries of your Word made flesh. Let the brightness of your light shine on your church, so that all your people, instructed in the holy gospel, may walk in the light of your truth and attain eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Thu – Dec. 28 – The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

**Readings:** Jeremiah 31: 15-17, Psalm 124, 1 Peter 4:12-19, Matthew 2:13-18

**Prayer of the Day:** We remember today, O God, the slaughter of the innocent children of Bethlehem by order of King Herod. Receive into the arms of your mercy all innocent victims. By your great might frustrate the designs of evil tyrants and establish your rule of justice, love, and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Fri – Dec 29**

Isaiah 49:5-15

Matthew 12:36-50

Psalm 148

**Sat – Dec 30**

Proverbs 9:1-12

2 Peter 3:8-13

Psalm 148

**Sunday Dec. 31 — First Sunday of Christmas**

**Readings:** Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Psalm 148, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40

**Prayer of the Day:** Almighty God, you wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and yet more wonderfully restored it. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of the one who came to share our humanity, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.