

MAY 2026

Daily Bible readings

These short readings are those read, day by day, at community prayer in Taizé. The Bible reference given indicates a slightly longer passage.

1 1 Peter 2:19-25
Fri If you suffer for what is right and endure it, you have God's approval. This is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you, leaving an example for you to follow in his steps.

2 Romans 12:14-21
Sat Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who are rejoicing, weep with those who weep.

3 John 14:1-3
SUN Jesus said: Do not let your hearts be troubled. You trust in God, trust also in me.

4 Isaiah 46:3-5,9
Mon The Lord says to his people: I have carried you since you were conceived. Until your old age I shall be the same, I shall sustain and save you.

5 Ephesians 1:1-10
Tue Through the giving of the life of Christ we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of sins. Such is the richness of God's grace.

6 1 Corinthians 3:9b-17
Wed You are God's building. By the grace of God which was given to me, I laid the foundations and someone else is building on them. Now each person must be careful how they build. For nobody can lay down any other foundation than the one which is there already, namely Jesus Christ.

7 Jeremiah 9:22-23
Thu God says: I am the Lord who acts with faithful love, rightness and justice on earth. Yes, these are the things that please me.

8 Colossians 1:15-20
Fri God wanted all his fullness to dwell in Christ, and through him to reconcile all things to himself.

9 1 Timothy 4:12-16
Sat You have in you a spiritual gift which was given to you. Do not neglect it.

10 John 14:18-21
SUN Jesus said to his disciples: In a short time the world will no longer see me, but you will see that I live and you will also live.

11 Jeremiah 33:1-3
Mon God says: Call me and I shall answer you, and tell you great and unsearchable things of which you know nothing.

12 Hebrews 13:1-8
Tue Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have welcomed angels without knowing it.

13 John 3:22-36
Wed The one whom God has sent, Jesus Christ, speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit.

14 Philippians 2:1-11
Thu Taking the nature of a servant, Christ became as human beings are. And he humbled himself still further, remaining faithful to the point of death, and death on a cross. Therefore God has exalted him, and has given him the name that is above all other names.

15 Romans 8:26-27
Fri The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray properly. But the Spirit intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.

16 John 14:15-21
Sat Jesus said: I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor who will stay with you for ever — the Spirit of truth.

17 John 17:1-11
SUN Jesus prayed: Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you and give eternal life to all those you have given him.

18 Isaiah 30:18-21
Mon The One who teaches you will hide no more and you will see him with your eyes. Your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it."

19 Romans 12:3-13
Tue When you give, give generously, from the heart; when you do works of mercy, do them with joy.

20 Matthew 9:36—10:8
Wed Jesus said to his disciples: The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest.

21 John 1:1-18
Thu Of Christ, John writes: The light shines in the darkness, and darkness could not overpower it.

22 Psalms 32
Fri I said: I will confess my fault to God. And you took away my guilt and forgave my sin.

23 Ezekiel 36:24-27
Sat God says: I will give you a new heart. I will remove the heart of stone from your bodies and give you a heart of flesh. I shall put my Spirit in you.

24 Psalms 104
SUN PENTECOST
The earth is full of your works, Lord. You send out your Spirit and life begins, you renew the face of the earth.

25 Psalms 34
Mon The Lord is near to the broken-hearted. He saves those whose spirit is crushed.

26 Acts 15:5-12
Tue Peter said: God, who knows human hearts, showed acceptance of all people by giving the Holy Spirit to all who believe.

27 Proverbs 23:15-19
Wed Let your heart remain constant in the adoration of God; for there is a future and your hope will not come to nothing.

28 Luke 12:4-12
Thu Jesus said to his disciples: When you are placed under accusation, do not worry about how to defend yourselves or what to say, because when the time comes, the Holy Spirit will teach you what you should say.

29 Hebrews 9:22-28
Fri Christ, having offered himself only once to take away the sins of the many, will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

30 Romans 15:7-13
Sat May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

31 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
SUN Live in joyfulness. Encourage one another. Be of one mind and live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.