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Let us begin again, for up to now we have done nothing.

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Travelling as a Couple on Parallel Paths

**HOW OUR SECULAR FRANCISCAN AND
WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
JOURNEYS COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER**

*This article is based on a talk given at the
September gathering of the St. Joseph of
Cupertino Fraternity. Our goal was to show how our life as
Secular Franciscans and our Marriage Encounter experi-
ence complement each other and strengthen and deepen
our vocation to follow Jesus in the footsteps of Francis as a
married couple.*

We began our Franciscan journey in late-2017, and we were blessed to make our Profession of the Gospel life in the Secular Franciscan Order in July 2021. We began a parallel spiritual journey in October 2019, when we attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. Although we already had a good marriage, during our weekend we rediscovered each other in a deeper way and gained new tools and insights to enrich our sacramental marriage. After our weekend, we were invited to go deeper and to consider becoming members of the Baltimore/Washington team that presents the talks during WWME experiences. After prayerful consideration, we entered presenting team formation—a structured program with similarities to our OFS formation.

Let's look briefly at the commonalities we have encountered on these parallel paths. Both the OFS and WWME are the work of the Holy Spirit. Participants in both are called together into a community to live the Gospel life and to change the world. OFS spirituality is to live the Gospel, following Francis, through daily conversion, in community, as Seculars, united with Franciscans around the world. WWME is a Roman Catholic movement built on the core belief that marriage is a sacrament we live every day. Marriage Encounter emphasizes the importance of sharing feelings, daily dialogue, and community support as the keys to fruitfully living our sacrament and serving as an example for others. WWME is the world's most popular marriage enrichment program, annually presenting 2,000 experiences in nearly 100 countries. In North America

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Regional Minister's Message



BLESSED HOLIDAYS

As we enter into the season of celebrations, we have so much to be thankful for. Many families and friends will gather around the Thanksgiving table to relive memories of the past, talk about the present, and plan for the future.

Advent, Hanukah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa, these are celebrations of joy. No matter the holiday, they all have one thing in common, they bring peace to the heart.

Advent will be upon us before we know it. The season of Advent is a time for us to prepare our hearts for the coming of the baby Jesus. So it is right and just to rend our hearts of the mundane and to joyfully and spiritually invite the King of Glory, the Prince of Peace, to dwell within us.

In the small town of Greccio, of the province of Rieti in the Italian region of Lazio, at Christmas time in 1223, three years before his transitioning into eternal life, our brother Francis wished to celebrate the birth of Jesus in a new way by replicating that most beautiful night in his native Italy. To this day, you can see the stone used as the manger. Carved in the stone is a V-shaped indentation image where the babe was laid. Still at Christmas, in the town of Greccio, the traditional reenactment of the birth of Jesus can be found in the hearts of the visitors and townspeople.

Our holy father, St. Francis, is for us the perfect example of the indwelling of the King of Glory, the Prince of Peace. He shows us what it means to have Jesus living within us.

In the First Life of Saint Francis, Thomas of Celano tells us of Brother Francis' experiencing the baby Jesus in the manger:

85. The Saint of God stood before the manger, full of sighs, overcome with tenderness and filled with wondrous joy.

86. The Saint of God was vested with Levitical ornaments, for he was a Levite, and with sonorous voice chanted the holy Gospel—an earnest, sweet, clear and loud voice inviting all to the highest rewards. Then he preached to the people who stood around

and uttered mellifluous words concerning the birth of the poor King and the little town of Bethlehem. (And often, when he would name Christ Jesus, aglow with exceeding love he would call Him the Child of Bethlehem, and, uttering the word "Bethlehem" in the manner of a sheep bleating, he filled his mouth with the sound, but even more his whole self with the sweet affection.

Moreover, in naming "the Child of Bethlehem" or "Jesus" he would, as it were, lick his lips, relishing with happy palate, and swallowing the sweetness of that word.) There the gifts of the Almighty were multiplied, and a vision of wondrous efficacy was seen by a certain man; for in the manger, he saw a little child lying lifeless, to whom the Saint of God seemed to draw near and (as it were) to rouse the child from the lethargy of sleep. Nor was this vision incongruous; for the child Jesus had been given over to forgetfulness in the hearts of many in whom, by the working of His Grace, He was raised up again through His servant Francis and imprinted on a diligent memory.

At length the solemn vigil was ended, and each one returned with joy to his own place.

And so, with the passing of Advent and the coming of the celebration of the birth of our Lord, we too can be filled with the joy of Christ in our hearts. Just as St. Francis experienced the joy of the sacred birth at Greccio, along with the visitors and the townspeople about 800 years ago, so can we rejoice in this miracle in our hearts—not just at Christmas time but throughout the year as well.

The St. Margaret of Cortona Regional Executive Council extends best wishes to you and your family for a most blessed Christmas Season and a most joyous New Year.

Your Franciscan brother in Christ,

Bob Longo, OFS

St. Margaret of Cortona Regional Minister

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YouFra

What Else Are We Up To?

"A Single Sunbeam Is Enough to Drive Away Many Shadows" (St. Francis of Assisi)

Brothers and Sisters,

YouFra is running strong by the Holy Spirit, and I want to share with you a few important events we had during October. We celebrated the feast of our Father Francis of Assisi, how he gave himself to others and how he let God transform his life, YouFra lets God transform us by the example of Saint Francis.

On October 2, 2021, we held our retreat at Nativity Church Washington, D.C. Father Pawel Sass was great to us and received us with open arms. At this event, we had 10 new members from the parish and 12 members from YouFra Saint Clare of Assisi. We also had members of San Damian Fraternity helping out with breakfast and lunch. It was an event to learn about our Franciscan Spirituality and to attract new members. We had the support of Brother Mike Herlihey, the spiritual assistant of Saint Clare of Assisi YouFra and of another friar, Brother Stephen. The retreat and food were free.

The day began with a mass just for YouFra, which was presided over by Father Pawel. The retreat was devoted to topics on Saints Francis and Saint Clare, and we had games for all of them. The most powerful moment was the Holy Hour, where we blindfolded new members and took them in front of the Holy Eucharistic. There they open their eyes to see Jesus in front of them. It was a touching moment indeed. We saw lots of tears, and confession was available with Father Pawel. During the adoration moment in front of our Lord, we had a place to pray for members. At the end of the Holy Hour all the members were so happy. Let's thank the Lord, because he is good, and Our Franciscan spirituality is alive and strong. We want to thank Father Pawel and Brother Mike and Brother Stephen for helping us out and for giving us their time and shared they experiences with us. I also want to thank San Damian fraternity for such a great breakfast and lunch. Thank you all for helping our Franciscan young brothers and sisters.

On October 9, 2021, YouFra held its Election for the new council. The election was done in the same way as fraternity elec-

tions, by voting and counting the votes. At this time we have a total of 12 member, and seven of them were able to run for council. We are blessed to have a new council; let us pray for them that the Holy Spirit will give them strength and that by the example of Saint Francis they can bring more experience to YouFra. Brothers and Sisters, we are YouFra, we are young Brothers and Sisters who want to live the gospel of the Lord following the footsteps of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi. Do not be afraid to be open to our young brothers—Franciscans are open to everyone. Franciscan Spirituality is for everyone who wishes to change their life by looking upon Francis of Assisi. Let us not just watch the Saint, let us too be Saints by being knights of the Lord and opening our hearts to him.

If we are connected with the Holy Spirit, we will have strength and courage to be faithful to Franciscan Spirituality. With a smile and with open heart, others will follow also in the steps of Saint Francis.



St. Clare of Assisi YouFra newly elected council: Elian Perez, Council Member; Ninoska Martinez, Vice President; Alonzo Najera, President; Isaac Perez, Treasurer; Deverlin Quintanilla, Secretary. Let us pray for them that the Holy Spirit will guide them and give them strength.

Peace and good
Denis E. Castillo, OFS
Lucio Perez, OFS



Content at Home

Editor's Note: Anna Metzger, a Franciscan Mission Service Lay Missioner in Bolivia, reflects on the contentment she has experienced through living a life of simplicity and soli-darity in Cochabamba.

Simplicity is a core belief with Franciscan Mission Service (FMS), often coming up in conversation between members of the FMS community and appearing frequently in blogs. Throughout the past two years, I have leaned into the idea of simplicity in many different ways. The more I continue to learn about myself, the more I stop and reflect on how simplicity has shaped my life during my time on mission.

There is the obvious answer of learning to live with fewer material items, having an emptier calendar with the ability to do things on the whim (as is very customary in Bolivian culture), and relying on public transportation and my own two feet to get places around the city. The not-so-obvious answer is the desire in my heart to simply stay put. Yes, I have traveled back and forth to the States for different reasons, but the travel bug that used to always grab my attention has been slowly fading away.

Before joining the FMS Overseas Lay Mission program and coming to Bolivia, I was always on the go and constantly planning my next adventure or trip away. My roommate once told me, "Anna, I feel like I live with your sister Molli and Melissa (our other roommate), and you just kind of come and go." I laughed, knowing how true that statement was! Yes, I was established in Louisville with a full-time job, but every chance I had to get away I was on an airplane to visit a friend in another state. I craved travel, and I absolutely loved exploring new places, especially the outdoors with beautiful landscapes. While that enjoyment of exploration and being outdoors still exists in my heart, it no longer pulls at me to get up and moving.

I used to want to travel the world and experience different places and cultures. But ever since I have been in Bolivia, that desire has slowly faded away. I would still love to experience other cultures because I recognize the richness each community has to offer and because I believe we can learn so much from other people, places, beliefs, and customs. However, it is simply no longer on the top of my bucket list. My mindset and heart desires have shifted for a couple of different reasons:

I HAVE FOUND A PLACE THAT HAS STOLEN MY HEART.

I have only been in Cochabamba, Bolivia for just over a year, and yet I feel completely at home here. From almost the very beginning, I have felt very comfortable with life here. I feel myself. I feel energized and my heart and mind feel complete contentment. How can one feel so comfortable and at home in a culture so very different from their own? I don't know. I cannot explain the paradox taking place inside of me, but one thing is true: I am home in Bolivia. Do I miss my family, our traditions, and the comforts of being in Kentucky? Absolutely. There are, of course,

people and things that I miss about my home country and hometown. Yet, at the same time, my entire being feels the utmost contentment being settled here in Cochabamba, Bolivia.

TRAVELING IS A PRIVILEGE.

Many people in the world do not have the opportunity to explore new places in their own country, let alone other places. Some people only have the option to stay where they were planted for countless reasons. The two reasons that are most evident to me from the people I have encountered are migratory status and finances. One can easily get a passport but, for many places, you must also obtain a visa. This is not always an easy process, especially for one wishing to go to the United States. So many people have dreams to go to the United States, even just for a

visit, but it is a challenge to get there. While legal processes stand in the way, so do finances.

For me, going to Salar de Uyuni (the salt flats in Bolivia) wouldn't be that hard because I have the financial capacity to do so. But for my Bolivian friends, that is an expensive trip. Even though it is a tourist attraction in

their own country, they can't even afford to make it there themselves. Yet, that doesn't stop the excitement and joy they experience for others who get the chance to go. They always say, "You have to go to Salar!" They get so excited for you to see the wonders of their own country even when they can't go themselves. Their joy for others is beautiful.

Feeling content in Cochabamba and knowing this is where I am meant to be diminishes the travel bug that always ate at my heart. I am happy with my simple life in the city; working during the week, exercising when I can, and spending time with loved ones on the weekend. I don't feel the need to experience anything else, which surprises me. Initially, I was so excited to be in South America and have the opportunity to travel to so many different places and see cool places. However, since being here, my desire has simply been to enjoy each moment with the people in my life in Cochabamba. And because I truly enjoy each moment with my Bolivian friends, I can empathize with them and be content sharing the same life together. They can't get up and travel, so I don't have the desire to.

Will I travel every once in a while and experience different places around me? Absolutely. However, that aching desire no longer exists within me because simplicity has taken over. For that, I am very thankful.

REFLECTION: HOW CAN EMBRACING SIMPLICITY LEAD TO CONTENTMENT IN YOUR LIFE?

For more information about Franciscan Mission Service, to join FMS, or to support the work, go to <https://franciscanmissionservice.org>.



Formation Director's Message



Blessings to you all as we enter this wonderful time of year with Christ the King Sunday, Advent, and Christmas! It truly is amazing and miraculous when we consider all that our Lord Jesus provides for us daily and into eternity!

St. Francis loved the baby Jesus, and today we enjoy the display of the manger scene because of St. Francis.



These pictures remind us of his joy and reverence for our Lord at His birth.

As you know, THE PURPOSE OF FORMATION is to help brothers and sisters to discover the novelty and vitality in their own call as a gift of the Spirit in following Jesus in the manner of Saint Francis of Assisi.¹

Here's what our National Fraternity website says about St. Francis and Formation:



Our model is St. Francis who "was a man in permanent formation: 'Let us begin, brothers and sisters, to serve the Lord our God'..... He was a master of Gospel life and through his example, his rule and his teachings: "He gave a Rule of life to all and indicated the way of salvation to each one according to his own situation."

... "To form" concerns a person as a being, perfectible up to the end of his life, by means of education, teaching and example. Formation includes "transformation," which is allowing the Holy Spirit, the actual formator, to transform our lives to become an "altus christos," or another face of Christ to others.²

An ever present part of our Franciscan life is **CONVERSION**—an ongoing process of growth in our belief, faith, duty and action.

The roots of the Secular Franciscan Order come from the penitential movement that existed in the 13th century. It is thought that Francis joined the Order of Penitents early in his conversion.

The term Penance in Franciscanism is equivalent to the biblical meaning of *metanoia*, understood as an inti-mate conversion of the heart to God, as a vital attitude, a continuous state of being. It is not a question of do-ing penance but of being penitent. (Fr. Lino Temperini, TOR—*Penitential Spirituality in the Franciscan Sources*, p. 41)

Each article in Chapter II of the Secular Franciscan Rule calls for continual conversion. Because of our human frailty, conversion must be carried out daily.³

Each fraternity Formation Director is encouraged to present periodic formation about: **Conversion, Commitment to Vocation, and Servant Leadership**. These three topics are fundamental to our Franciscan life and are addressed throughout our essential documents. We hope these lessons will help members to continue their passion for their OFS Profession.

During this special season, may each of us take the opportunity to ponder our own conversion. Think about:

1. How has your conversion grown over time?
2. What are some poignant experiences that have deepened your conversion to Our Lord Jesus? to your Franciscan profession?
3. How do you live out your conversion?

Give thanks with a grateful heart for the gift of conversion that each of us has received and continues to receive each day.

INFO ABOUT REGIONAL FORMATION:

In recent months, I have had the opportunity to speak one on one with most of our region's fraternity formation ministers. It is heartwarming to hear them speak of their passion and desire to provide inspiring formation for their fraternities. If you are a Formation Director and we haven't had the opportunity to visit one-on-one please email me at rlcolleran10@email.com or just call me 703-310-9958. I will be happy to hear from you.

It is a privilege as well as a huge responsibility to serve as Regional Formation Director. Our Lord has blessed me with brothers and sisters who have servant hearts to join in this

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¹ <https://secularfranciscansusa.org/ongoing-formation-resources/>

² *Ibid.*

³ Anne Mulqueen, Formation Friday – Identity as a Secular Franciscan (Part 3 of 3) October 29, 2021

(“Formation” from page 5)

calling. The Regional Formation Team meets monthly, and members include:

- Rita Colleran, Regional Formation Director, Holy Family Fraternity;
- Mike Huether, Regional Vice Minister, Little Flower Fraternity;
- Susan Burke, Portiuncula Fraternity;
- Peg Crews, Our Lady of the Rosary Fraternity;
- Joan Kane, Little Flower Fraternity; and
- Br. Mike Meza, OFM-Cap, Spiritual Assistant.

We are all blest by their faithfulness, insight and experience. Their willing hearts are inspiring and make our work a pleasure. All efforts from Regional Formation to and for the fraternity formation directors come from this team. Together we work, as all Formation Directors do, to present meaningful formation resources.

Two Important Formation Events in 2022:



The **Day of Reflection for Inquirers and Candidates**, scheduled for Saturday, March 5, at the Shrine of St. Anthony. Fr. Stephen King, OFM Conv., will preside over the Mass and be the presenter for the day. The theme is: **“Yes,**

This is What I Want” from our promise at our profession in the Ritual.

Annual Gathering for

Formation Directors is set for Saturday, June 25, at the Washington Retreat House (next to the St. John Paul II National Shrine and near the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception). The team is continuing to work on the details now. More information will reach you after the holidays.



Rita Colleran, OFS
Regional Formation Director

Sisters and Brothers in Francis and Clare,



I have wonderful news. We now have an OFM Regional Spiritual Assistant on the St. Margaret of Cortona Regional Council. Fr. Russell Murray, OFM, is located at St. Camillus Parish in Silver Spring, Maryland. The fraternities bonded to the OFM Friars will meet Fr. Russell at visitations and elections.

Fr. Russell comes to us with experience as Spiritual Assistant for St. Thomas More (Arlington, VA) 2007–2013:

- Serve as liaison of Order of Friars Minor to local fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order.
- Advise fraternity leadership team on issues related to the formation of new members.
- Provide wide range of spiritual services to the local fraternity and its individual members.

Fr. Russell was also the Local Spiritual Assistant for St. Joseph the Worker Secular Franciscan Fraternity, Albany, NY 2011–2013

Also involved with Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation (JPIC) Directorate, Holy Name Province 2011 – 2014

- Assist in the development of JPIC initiatives for and by HNP.
- Educate HNP friars; lay partners on issues related to JPIC commitments of HNP.
- Develop continuing partnerships with other entities of the Franciscan Family on JPIC initiatives.

The St. Margaret of Cortona Region welcomes Fr. Russell Murray as our new OFM Regional Spiritual Assistant.

Your Franciscan brother in Christ,

Bob Longo, OFS

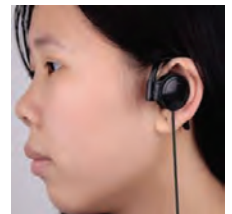
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Region Acquires Translation Equipment

Did you know... that the Saint Margaret of Cortona Region includes 35 fraternities—four are Spanish speaking and two are Korean-speaking. We have 793 active members, which includes 164 who are fluent in a language other than English. These include 99 Spanish-speaking, and 65 Korean-speaking. The Regional Executive Council has often considered Translation Equipment. This summer a grant was submitted to the Duns Scotus Formation Fund of the National Fraternity requesting funds to assist the region in

purchasing translation equipment for regional events. We are happy to announce that we received this assistance and purchased the equipment that allows us to have two translators (Spanish and Korean) at each region-wide gathering. Our aim is to be more inclusive of our brothers and sisters with Spanish or Korean as their first language. In this way all can benefit and participate.



Catholic Ecumenical Dialogues in the USA— A Brief History, Part 2

“That they all may be one” (John 17:21)

This is part two of my continuing articles taken from a reference guide of the above named on dialogues that the Catholic Church of the United States is presently engaged in with other Christian churches and ecclesial communities. As I noted in my previous articles, the [Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs](#) (SEIA) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) was established to promote the ongoing programs and plans of the [Bishop's Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs](#) (BCERIA) and also focuses on relations with other Christian and interreligious groups. The expertise of interns and consultants are also included here. In this article, I will talk of Christian Churches Together and the Evangelical Churches.



CHRISTIAN

CHURCHES TOGETHER

[Christian Churches Together in the USA](#) (CCT) is an ecumenical forum that began with a meeting hosted in September 2001 by Cardinal William Keeler in Baltimore. Some have called it the model for ecumenism in the 21st century. Its broad-based structure incorporates five churches: African American, Catholic, Evangelical/Pentecostal, Orthodox, and historic Protestant. This makes the CCT the most inclusive ecumenical structure in the country.

Christian Churches Together is adapted in its proceedings from the Global Christian Forum. Their annual meeting is prayer centered. Each of the five churches leads one prayer session. Members of each church (referred to as families) take time to share their faiths and spiritual journeys and concerns with each other at each assembly and at regular meetings of the CCT Steering Committee. At each assembly, a major topic related to pastoral concerns is usually discussed in depth.

In 2013, Christian Church leaders were brought together by CCT for the 50th anniversary of the publication of Martin Lu-

ther King's renowned "[Letter from Birmingham Jail](#)," jointly published as a public response of all the represented Christian communities. The Study Guide on Racial Justice, based on the CCT's April 2013 Response to the Letter from the Birmingham Jail, signed by Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, Bishop Shelton Fabre, and Bishop Denis Madden on behalf of the USCCB, continues to be promoted by the SEIA.



The Statement of Principles on Mass Incarceration was the object of the theme of the 2014 CCT plenary session on mass incarceration. This statement was written as recommendations for the guidance of CCT in their efforts at encouraging state and federal governments in implemented reforms on criminal justice. Immigrant communities was the topic dealt with at the 2015 meeting. In 2016, the topic of racial justice was again taken up. In September of 2017, a special gathering met in Garden Grove, California, to discuss the future of CCT. Also in 2017, Christian Churches Together wrote a Pastoral Letter to the Persecuted Church. In this letter, the participating churches and ecclesial communities recognized and acknowledged the continued martyrdom of Christians in the Middle East. They also made a formal commitment to both support and assist our brothers and sisters who continue to suffer for Christ.

EVANGELICAL CHURCHES

Through the CCT and the [Society of Pentecostal Studies](#), the SEIA is in contact with Evangelicals and Pentecostals. Because the Evangelical and Pentecostal Churches often lack a national-level organization, dialogues on the local level are emphasized. Formal dialogue has just recently been reorganized. An examination of the sacrament of Baptism from a Catholic/Evangelical/Pentecostal perspective has also been developed in the last few years.

My next article will deal with the relations with the Lutheran and Methodist Churches, the National Council of Churches, and some of the Orthodox Catholic Churches.

May all of you and your fraternities and families have a happy, blessed, and joyous Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year!

Mike Huether
Regional Vice Minister and
Ecumenical/Interfaith Chairman

You can light up your Christmas tree for the outside of your home with LED bulbs. They last 7 times longer and consume 90% less energy on average. There are even decorative lights that operate on solar energy. whole chickens, corn bread—and even desserts!

Franciscan Spirituality in Seven Steps

Franciscans view the world and God's creative presence in a particular way. How we understand this and our relationship to God is at the heart of what we call Franciscan spirituality. The following are key themes in Franciscan theology (how we understand God) and consequently in Franciscan spirituality (how we relate to God). We owe this understanding to the experience of St. Francis first, then to his followers throughout the ages, particularly St. Clare.

1. God is absolute love, being and creativity. Creation is dependent upon God to exist.

No created thing exists because of its own capacity to be; only God is capable of being without depending on something else. The development of created things through time reflects God's inexhaustible ability to be creative and to remain the source of demonstrated love.

2. God has freely chosen incarnation (taking on human form) before the human choice for sin.

Jesus Christ comes to us because God loves us, not because we sin. Because of sin, Jesus comes in a particular way out of free will, not because a particular method of human behavior is needed to save us. God can simply will salvation, because God is always free. Christ chooses to be with us physically now through the Eucharist until he comes again. This is reflective of God's willingness to be with us in humble ways and to nourish us physically and spiritually.

3. Christmas is of primary importance to us.

Easter is the outcome of Christmas. The Incarnation is the greatest thing God could do for creation. The death of Jesus on the cross remains a mystery, because even given human sin, God was not constrained to act in this unbelievable self-sacrificial way. It was done to attract us to divine love.

4. Christ is the perfect image of who God is for creation.

He is the mirror of who and what all humanity and created things are meant to be. Creatures participate in this perfection to the capacity of their natures. Humans can choose to not participate in Christ. Mary is the human person who has most perfectly chosen to participate in imaging God, both physically and spiritually.

5. Every creature is unique, gifted, and living in relationship.

No human life is a mistake, because everyone is uniquely gifted. The relationships of life are meant to be deepened according to the nature of the creature. This reflects the nature of God, who lives in Trinity and is therefore capable of the greatest depth of relationship.

6. Nothing humans have the ability to do has the capacity to make God do something.

God is always freely choosing love for humanity, even when we don't see that the choice is the best. Our knowledge is too limited by space and time, while God is not limited by them. We all remain poor at God's table, because God doesn't owe us anything.

7. Mercy, forgiveness and justification are God's actions.

They do not result from our actions. We work on our salvation, while recognizing that even our capacity to want to do good comes as a gift from God. We must do what we can - the freedom to choose comes from God - but realize that God is behind the ability to do good. God respects our freedom so much that he asks us to cooperate with him."

For discussion or to comment on in your journal

Each day, choose one of the statements above and spend time thinking about it.

- What influence does it have on your spiritual life?
- How does it affect how you live your Franciscan life?
- How do these statements affect your relationship with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?

This material appears in the FUN Manual chapter: Franciscan Theology, Tradition and Spirituality pp.16-17 of 30, with credit to Fr. Joe Schwab, OFM.



Around the Region

WELCOME TO OUR NEW INQUIRERS

Galanko Klemash, St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C.
Constance Mwalagho, St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C.
MJ Park, St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C.

RECENTLY ADMITTED

Delizabeth Diaz-Martinez, OFS, St. Clare Fraternity, Lewes, Del.
Cindy Downs, OFS, St. Clare Fraternity, Lewes, Del.



St. Clare Fraternity's Newly Admitted: Nela Wintjen, OFS, Formation Director; Delizabeth Diaz-Martinez, OFS; Fr. William Cocco, OFS; Fr. Rigo Azanwi, OFM, Cap; Cindy Downs, OFS; Tom Carter, OFS, Minister

NEWLY PROFESSED

Ruth Shea, OFS, St. Conrad Fraternity, Annapolis, Md.
Joseph Boyle, OFS, Tau Fraternity, Herndon, Va.
Valerye Milleson, OFS, Tau Fraternity, Herndon, Va.



Tau Fraternity newly professed: Tau Formation Director Walter Gawlak, OFS; Joseph Boyle, OFS; Valerye Milleson, OFS; and Fr. Tom Bourque, TOR.

NEWLY APPOINTED



Michele Dunne, OFS, has been named executive director of Franciscan Action Network. She is minister of Mt. St. Sepulchre Fraternity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED

San Damian Fraternity, Gaithersburg, Md.
Minister: Santos Paniagua
Vice Minister: Guillermo Palacios
Secretary: Maria L. Tirado
Treasurer: Maria Guerra
Formation Director: Miguel Tirado
Councilor: Patricia Ramos



San Damian Fraternity newly elected: Jan Benton, OFS, Regional Councilor; Patricia Ramos, OFS, Councilor; Miguel Tirado, OFS, Formation Director; Maria Guerra, OFS, Treasurer; Maria L. Tirado, OFS, Secretary; Guillermo Palacios, OFS, Vice Minister; Santos Paniagua, OFS, Minister; Br. Edgar Pereira, OFM Cap, Friar Witness.

Little Flower Fraternity, Baltimore, Md.
Minister: Phillip Francis Pucher, OFS
Vice Minister: Al Gigel, OFS
Secretary: Beth Dykton, OFS
Treasurer: Lisa Gough, OFS
Formation Director: Joan Kane, OFS
Councilor at Large: Gary Haigley, OFS
Councilor at Large: Kelly Frederick, OFS
Councilor at Large: Mike Huether, OFS



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Around the Region

Holy Family Fraternity, Manassas, Va.
 Minister: Peggy Gregory, OFS
 Vice Minister: Tim Smith, OFS
 Secretary: Maryellen Shea, OFS
 Treasurer: Jerry Shea, OFS
 Formation Director: Deacon Brian Majewski, OFS



Holy Family Fraternity Council: Peggy Gregory, OFS, Minister; Jerry Shea, OFS, Treasurer; Maryellen Shea, OFS, Secretary; Tim Smith, OFS, Vice Minister; Deacon Brian Majewski, OFM, Formation Director

St. Padre Pio Fraternity, Aberdeen, Md.
 Minister: Bonnie Ng, OFS
 Vice Minister: Donna Willard, OFS
 Secretary: Ginger Bahr, OFS
 Treasurer: Ann Dulik, OFS
 Formation Director: Margaret Wise, OFS



St Padre Pio Fraternity newly elected: Bonnie Ng, OFS, Minister; Donna Willard, OFS, Vice Minister; Ginger Bahr, OFS, Secretary; Ann Dulik, OFS, Treasurer; Margaret Wise, OFS, Director of Formation

LOSSES IN THE FAMILY



Russ Beimler, OFS, October 12, 1945-October 13, 2021. He was a member of Companions of Francis and Clare Fraternity, Salem, Va., and was professed on May 20, 2001



Florence Bianco, OFS, September 23, 2021. She was a member of St. Clare Fraternity, Delaware, and was professed on May 29, 1989. She was 91 years old.



Catherine (Kitty) Davis, OFS, September 19, 1930-September 27, 2021. She was a member of Little Flower Fraternity and was professed on June 12, 1960.



Jacqueline Chauvin (Jackie) Freeman, OFS, October 15, 2021. She was a member of St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C., and was professed on January 1, 2006.



Georgianna Papazian, OFS, August 13, 2021. She was a member of St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity, Ellicott City, Md. She was 94 years old and was professed on February 23, 2003.

Laraine Hofmann, OFS, August 17, 2021. She was a member of St. Clare Fraternity, Delaware and was professed on August 17, 2021.

John Kirby, OFS, September 12, 2021. He was a member of St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity and was professed on October 16, 1994.

Patricia Mead, OFS, February 6, 1939-August 22, 2022. She was a member of Companions of Francis and Clair Fraternity and was professed on October 24, 1999.

John Francis Ross, OFS, August 22, 2021. He was a member of St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C., and was professed on October 18, 2003.

Arlyn Sweeney, OFS, September 2, 2021. She was a member of St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C., and was professed on November 15, 2014.

Mark Your Calendar



Inquirers and Candidates Retreat, March 5, 2022, at St. Anthony's Shrine in Ellicott City, Md.

Regional Retreat, May 13-15, 2022, Loyola Retreat House, Faulkner, Md.

Day of Spirituality, June 25, 2022, Washington Retreat House, Washington, D.C.

20th Quinquennial Congress, August 3-7, 2022, Phoenix, Ariz.



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alone there are more than 1,600 couples and priests in “presenting teams” conducting Marriage Encounter experiences in multiple languages. WWME sharing groups exist in nearly every diocese of the United States and Canada.

Since both the OFS and WWME are Catholic organizations subject to canon law, it’s not surprising they have similar structures. We are members of the WWME Baltimore/Washington Encounter—the equivalent of the OFS fraternity. Local Encounters, like OFS fraternities, are grouped together in Regions. Marriage Encounter regions are combined at the National level, and National groups come together into one of six world Secretariats. At each level there is a leadership Ecclesial Team consisting of a couple and a priest who are elected by the participants at that level, similar to the election of OFS leadership at each level.

Next, let’s look at how formation for Marriage Encounter presenting teams and leadership is comparable to that of a Secular Franciscan. Our initial Marriage Encounter weekend, the subsequent reunion, and our decision to accept the invitation to learn more about becoming a presenting team were the Marriage Encounter equivalent of our Secular Franciscan orientation. We then joined other committed couples and priests as members of the Baltimore/Washington Encounter Presenting Team—the WWME equivalent of our Franciscan period of inquiry. The longest and most rigorous phase of WWME formation—analogue to OFS candidacy—is the writing and workshoping of the talks presented on a Marriage Encounter weekend. WWME talks must be carefully crafted in collaboration with an experienced couple—similar to the Franciscan formation team—to ensure that the talks have the best possible chance of affecting the lives of the couples attending the experience. Both OFS candidacy and preparing WWME talks are completed within a supportive community and are beautiful examples of spiritual accompaniment.

Just as our OFS formation didn’t end when we made our profession in July 2021, our WWME formation didn’t end when we presented our initial talks in a virtual Marriage Encounter Experience in April 2021. Ongoing formation is a key element of our Franciscan life. WWME formation includes developing three sets of talks over a year or more—with each set of talks challenging the couple to go deeper in their own relationship. It is by doing so that the couple has something to share with the attending couples.

Finally, let’s look at marriage and family life. In our OFS formation, we discuss how Secular Franciscans should live the ministry of marriage and family. It was immediately clear to both Dawn and me that the Franciscan perspective complements how Marriage Encounter approaches its ministry to the domestic church. Article 17 of our Rule states in part, “In their family [Secular Franciscans] should cultivate the Franciscan spirit of peace, fidelity, and respect for life, striving to make of it a sign of a world al-

ready renewed in Christ. By living the grace of matrimony, husbands and wives in particular should bear witness in the world to the love of Christ for His Church.”

Marriage Encounter provides the experience and the tools that help couples to listen, share, and connect more deeply. Marriage Encounter has strengthened us on our life journey—helping us to be better individuals, better spouses, better parents, and better Franciscans. Our OFS formation says a key to cultivating a fruitful family life is dialogue—but without providing much guidance on how to foster loving dialogue. Like Marriage Encounter, Franciscan formation emphasizes that the listening process is a key element. Being listened to gives people a sense of being respected. It allows mutuality in the conversation and may also help in getting the facts straight. The emphasis on how to effectively dialogue we learned and experienced on our original Marriage Encounter weekend and then more powerfully in writing the first set of WWME talks, has been a great blessing on these complementary spiritual journeys. As a sacrament, married couples should develop a listening and loving attitude through daily dialogue—the WWME complement to Franciscan daily conversion—that fosters joyful family life and a willingness to tackle difficult issues together.

In addition to dialogue, both Marriage Encounter and Franciscan formation encourage husbands and wives to pray together as a couple to call on the Holy Spirit for understanding, wisdom, and assistance in their marriage and family life. They should accept responsibility for their actions. Husbands and wives should forgive their spouse and other family members who have hurt them. They should be willing to change their own negative or frustrating behaviors, which requires conversion.

So let’s wrap this up. Our OFS and WWME journeys are complementary in ways that weren’t readily apparent when we set out. Our participation in one has nurtured our growth in the other. As a result, we have strengthened our marriage and our Franciscan vocations and have drawn closer together. As Secular Franciscans, we are asked to follow Jesus in the footsteps of St. Francis by participating in an apostolate where we can live the Gospel by helping others. We have decided to make WWME our primary apostolate. We are committed to working as Franciscans within WWME to grow in our own marital relationship and to help other couples to grow in theirs to build up the kingdom of God, one sacramental marriage at a time.

by Ray and Dawn Glennon, OFS
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To learn more about WWME and upcoming Marriage Encounter experiences, you can contact Ray and Dawn at ray.glennon@1972.usna.com.

Franciscan Saints, Blesseds and Feasts

(Click on the name to go to a Web link.)

NOVEMBER

15 **[Bl. Mary of the Passion](#)**, Founder Franciscan Missionaries of Mary (May 21, 1839-November 15, 1904)

17 **[St. Elizabeth of Hungary](#)**, Secular Franciscan, Patroness of the Third Order (July 7, 1207-November 17, 1231)

[Bl. Jeanne de Signa](#), Secular Franciscan Order, hermit (1244-November 9, 1307)

18 **[Bl. Salome of Cracow](#)**, Franciscan Third Order Secular (1201-November 17, 1268)

19 **[St. Agnes of Assisi](#)**, Order of St. Clare; St. Clare's younger sister (c. 1197-November 16, 1253)

[Bl. Salvatore Lilli and companions](#), Priest, Franciscan First Order, Martyrs of Armenia (June 19, 1853-November 22, 1895)

20 **[Bl. Maria Milagros Ortells Gimeno](#)**, Capuchin Poor Clare, Martyr (November 29, 1882-November 20, 1936)

[Bls. Paschal Fortuño Almela and Companions](#), First Order friars, martyrs of Spain, d. 1936

21 **[Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)**

24 **Commemoration of All the Deceased of the Seraphic Order**

25 **[Bl. Elizabeth of Reute](#)**, Third Order Regular (November 25, 1386-November 25, 1420)

[St. Humilis of Bisignano](#), Religious, Order of Friars Minor (August 26, 1582-November 26, 1637)

[Bl. Louis Beltrame Quattrocchi](#) (1880-1951) and

[Bl. Maria Corsini-Beltrame Quattrocchi](#) (1884-1965) Third Order Secular, first Secular Franciscan couple beatified together

26 **[St. Leonard de Port-Maurice Priest](#)**, Order of Friars Minor (December 20, 1676-November 26, 1751)

27 **[St. Francis Anthony Fasini](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor Conventual (August 6, 1681-November 29, 1742)

28 **[St. James de la Marche](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (c. 1391-November 28, 1476)

29 **[All Saints of the Seraphic Order](#)**

We pray the Franciscan Litany of the Saints

30 **[Bl. Antoine Bonfandini](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (d. 1482)

DECEMBER

2 **[Bl. Mary Angela Astorch](#)**, Capuchin Poor Clare (September 1, 1592-December 2, 1665)

2 **[Bl. Raphael Chylinski](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor Conventual (January 8, 1680/90-December 2, 1742)

4 **[Bl. François Galves](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor, martyr (d. 1623)

[Bl. Pietro Tecelano](#), Third Order Secular (c. 1190-December 1289)

5 **[Bl. Peter of Sienna](#)**, Third Order Secular (d. December 4, 1289)

7 **[St. Mary Joseph Rosello](#)**, Third Order Secular before founding another institute (1811-December 7, 1811)

8 **[Feast of the Immaculate Conception](#)**, Patroness of the Seraphic Order, Holy Day of Obligation, Plenary Indulgence for tertiaries and cord bearers

9 **[Bl. Clara Isabella Fornari](#)**, Poor Clare Nun (June 25, 1697-December 9, 1744)

11 **[Bl. Francis \(Arthur\) Bell](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor, martyr of England (January 13, 1590-December 11, 1643)

[Bl. Hugolinus Magalotti](#), Third Order Secular (d. 1373)

12 **[Finding the Body of Our Holy Father St. Francis](#)**

[Bl. Bartolo da San Gimignano](#), Priest, Third Order Secular (1228-December 1300)

[Bl. Pius Ludwik Bartosik](#), Priest, Friars Minor Conventual, martyr (August 21, 1909-December 12, 1941)

[Our Lady of Guadalupe](#)

14 **[Bl. Jean Discalceat Priest](#)**, Franciscan (c. 1278-December 1349)

15 **[Bl. Mary Frances Schervier](#)**, Founder Religious Sisters of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis (January 8, 1819-December 14, 1876)

23 **[Bl. Nicolas Factor-Estaña](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (June 29, 1520-December 23, 1583)

24 **[Bl. Bentivoglio of Bonio](#)**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (d. 1231)

25 **[Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ](#)**

28 **[Blessed Matthia Nazzarei](#)**, Poor Clare Nun (March 1, 1253-December 28, 1319)

29 **[Bl. Gerard Cagnoli](#)**, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor (c. 1267-c. 1342)

30 **[Bl. Margaret Colonna](#)**, Poor Clare Nun, (c. 1255-December 30, 1280)

JANUARY

1 **[Mary, Mother of God](#)**

3 **[Most Holy Name of Jesus](#)**

4 **[Bl. Christina of Tuscany](#)**, Virgin, Third Order Secular (d. 1310)

- 5 **Bl. Didacus Joseph of Cadizi**, Priest, First Order Capuchin (1743-1801)
Bl. Ruggiero da Todì, Religious, Order of Friars Minor (d. 1237)
- 6 **St. Charles of Sezze**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (October 19, 1613-January 6, 1670)
- 7 **St. Angela of Foligno**, Widow, Third Order Secular (1248-January 3, 1309)
- 8 **Bl. Eurosia Fabris**, Third Order Secular (1866-1932)
- 9 **Bl. Giles of Laurenzana**, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor (1443-January 10, 1518)
- 10 **Bl. Gregory X**, Pope, Third Order Secular (c. 1210-January 10, 1276)
- 11 **St. Thomas of Cori**, Priest, Order Friars Minor (1655- 1720)
- 12 **St. Bernard of Corleone**, Priest, First Order Capuchin (1605- 1667)
- 13 **Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ**
- 14 **Bl. Odoric de Pordenone**, Priest, First Order (1286-1331)
- 15 **Bl. James of Pieve**, Third Order Secular, martyr, (13th Cent.-January 15, 1304)
- 16 **Sts. Berard de'Leopardi of Calvi**, Peter de'Bonanti of Sangemini, Otto de'Petricchi, Accursio Vacuzio and Adjutus of Narni, Protomartyrs of the Franciscan Order (d. 1220)
- 17 **Bl. Giuseppe Tovini**, Third Order Secular (1841-1897)
Bl. Matthew of Girgenti, Bishop, Order of Friars Minor (d. 1451)
- 20 **Bl. Jean-Baptiste Triquerie**, Priest, First Order Conventual (m. 1794)
St. Eustochia Calafato, Virgin, Poor Clares (March 25, 1434-January 20, 1485)
- 22 **Bl. Joseph Nascimbeni**, Priest, Third Order Secular (1851- 1922)
St. Vincent Pallotti, Priest, Third Order Secular, Founder Pallottine Fathers (April 21, 1795-January 22, 1850)
- 23 **St. Marianne Cope**, Third Order Regular (January 23, 1838-August 9, 1918)
- 24 **Bl. Paula Gambarà-Costa**, Widow, Third Order Secular (March 3, 1463-January 24, 1515)
- 27 **St. Angela Merici**, Founder, Third Order Regular (March 21, 1474-January 27, 1540)
Bl. Paul Joseph Nardini, Priest, Third Order Secular, Founder of the Franciscan Sisters of the Holy Family (July 25, 1821-January 27, 1862)
- 28 **Bl. Bienvenu de Recanatì**, Priest, First Order (1289)
- 29 **Bl. Francesco Zirano**, Priest and Martyr, OFM Conv. (1565-January 25, 1603)
St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, Corderbearer (August 21, 1567-December 28, 1622)
- 30 **St. Hyacintha de Mariscotti**, Third Order Regular (1585-January 30, 1640)
- 31 **St. John Bosco**, Priest, Third Order Secular (August 16, 1815-January 31, 1888)
Bl. Louisa Albertoni, Third Order Secular, (1473-January 31, 1533)

FEBRUARY

- 3 **Bl. Andrew of Segni**, First Order Lay Brother (1240-February 1, 1302)
- 4 **St. Joseph de Leonisse**, Priest, First Order Capuchin (January 8, 1556-February 4, 1612)
- 5 **St. Jane of Valois**, Founder, Franciscan Order of the Annonciades (1464-1505)
- 6 **Martyrs of Japan**, First Order Priests, Lay Brothers, and Third Order Secular (m. 1597)
- 7 **St. Colette of Corbie**, Foundress, Colettine Poor Clares (January 13, 1381-March 6, 1447)
St. Giles Mary of St. Joseph, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor (November 16, 1729-February 7, 1812)
St. Giovanni of Tiora, Priest, Order of Friars Minor, Martyr (March 15, 1760, February 7, 1816)
Bl. Pius IX, Pope, Third Order Secular (May 13, 1792-February 7, 1878)
- 8 **Bl. Anthony of Stroncone**, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor (1391-February 7, 1471)
Bl. Jacoba de Settesoli, Brother Jacoba (1190-1273)
- 9 **Bl. Leopold of Alpandeire**, Lay Brother First Order Capuchin (June 25, 1864-February 9, 1956)
- 10 **Bl. Alojzije Stepinac**, Bishop, Martyr, Third Order Secular (May 8, 1898-February 10, 1960)
Bl. Clare of Rimini, Poor Clare Nun (1282-February 10, 1346)
- 13 **St. Eustochium of Messine**, Poor Clare Nun (March 25, 1434 - January 20, 1485)
St. Giles Mary of St. Joseph, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (November 16, 1729-February 7, 1812)
- 15 **Translation of the relics of St. Anthony**
- 16 **St. Veridiana**, Virgin, Third Order Secular (1182-1242)
Bl. Philippa Mareri, Poor Clare Nun (1190/1200-1236)

READ THE Bible IN A YEAR

January

GENESIS

- Genesis 1:1 to 4:26
- Genesis 5:1 to 9:29
- Genesis 10:1 to 16:16
- Genesis 17:1 to 20:18
- Genesis 21:1 to 24:67
- Genesis 25:1 to 27:46
- Genesis 28:1 to 30:43
- Genesis 31:1 to 35:29
- Genesis 36:1 to 39:23
- Genesis 40:1 to 42:38
- Genesis 43:1 to 46:34
- Genesis 47:1 to 50:26

EXODUS

- Exodus 1:1 to 5:23
- Exodus 6:1 to 9:35
- Exodus 10:1 to 13:22
- Exodus 14:1 to 17:16
- Exodus 18:1 to 22:32
- Exodus 23:1 to 26:37
- Exodus 27:1 to 29:46
- Exodus 30:1 to 33:23
- Exodus 34:1 to 37:29
- Exodus 38:1 to 40:38

LEVITICUS

- Leviticus 1:1 to 6:30
- Leviticus 7:1 to 10:20
- Leviticus 11:1 to 13:59
- Leviticus 14:1 to 17:16
- Leviticus 18:1 to 21:24
- Leviticus 22:1 to 24:23
- Leviticus 25:1 to 27:34

NUMBERS

- Numbers 1:1 to 3:51
- Numbers 4:1 to 6:27

February

NUMBERS

- Numbers 7:1 to 10:36
- Numbers 11:1 to 14:45
- Numbers 15:1 to 17:13
- Numbers 18:1 to 21:35
- Numbers 22:1 to 25:18
- Numbers 26:1 to 28:31
- Numbers 29:1 to 32:42
- Numbers 33:1 to 36:13

DEUTERONOMY

- Deuteronomy 1:1 to 3:29
- Deuteronomy 4:1 to 7:26
- Deuteronomy 8:1 to 11:32
- Deuteronomy 12:1 to 15:23
- Deuteronomy 16:1 to 20:20
- Deuteronomy 21:1 to 25:19
- Deuteronomy 26:1 to 28:68
- Deuteronomy 29:1 to 31:29
- Deuteronomy 32:1 to 34:12

JOSHUA

- Joshua 1:1 to 4:24
- Joshua 5:1 to 8:35
- Joshua 9:1 to 11:23
- Joshua 12:1 to 16:10
- Joshua 17:1 to 20:9
- Joshua 21:1 to 24:33

JUDGES

- Judges 1:1 to 3:31
- Judges 4:1 to 6:40
- Judges 7:1 to 9:57
- Judges 10:1 to 13:25
- Judges 14:1 to 18:31

March

JUDGES

- Judges 21:25
- Ruth 1:1 to 4:22

SAMUEL

- 1 Samuel 1:1 to 4:22
- 1 Samuel 5:1 to 9:27
- 1 Samuel 10:1 to 13:22
- 1 Samuel 14:1 to 16:23
- 1 Samuel 17:1 to 19:24
- 1 Samuel 20:1 to 23:29
- 1 Samuel 24:1 to 28:25
- 1 Samuel 29:1 to 31:13
- 2 Samuel 1:1 to 5:25
- 2 Samuel 6:1 to 11:27
- 2 Samuel 12:1 to 14:33
- 2 Samuel 15:1 to 17:29
- 2 Samuel 18:1 to 20:26
- 2 Samuel 21:1 to 24:25

1 KINGS

- 1 Kings 1:1 to 3:28
- 1 Kings 4:1 to 6:38
- 1 Kings 7:1 to 9:28
- 1 Kings 10:1 to 12:33
- 1 Kings 13:1 to 15:34
- 1 Kings 16:1 to 19:21
- 1 Kings 20:1 to 22:53

2 KINGS

- 2 Kings 1:1 to 4:44
- 2 Kings 5:1 to 8:29
- 2 Kings 9:1 to 11:21
- 2 Kings 12:1 to 15:38
- 2 Kings 16:1 to 18:37
- 2 Kings 19:1 to 22:20
- 2 Kings 23:1 to 25:30

1 CHRONICLES

- 1 Chronicles 1:1 to 4:43

April

1 CHRONICLES

- 1 Chronicles 5:1 to 7:40
- 1 Chronicles 8:1 to 11:47
- 1 Chronicles 12:1 to 16:43
- 1 Chronicles 17:1 to 21:30
- 1 Chronicles 22:1 to 26:32
- 1 Chronicles 27:00 to 29:30

2 CHRONICLES

- 2 Chronicles 1:1 to 6:42
- 2 Chronicles 7:1 to 10:19
- 2 Chronicles 11:1 to 16:14
- 2 Chronicles 17:1 to 21:20
- 2 Chronicles 22:1 to 25:28
- 2 Chronicles 26:1 to 29:36
- 2 Chronicles 30:1 to 32:33
- 2 Chronicles 33:1 to 36:23

EZRA

- Ezra 1:1 to 5:17
- Ezra 6:1 to 10:44

NEHEMIAH

- Nehemiah 1:1 to 5:19
- Nehemiah 6:1 to 8:18
- Nehemiah 9:1 to 12:47
- Nehemiah 13:1 to 13:30

TOBIT

- Tobit 1:1 to 4:21
- Tobit 5:1 to 9:6
- Tobit 10:1 to 14:15

JUDITH

- Judith 1:1 to 5:24
- Judith 6:1 to 8:36
- Judith 9:1 to 13:20
- Judith 14:1 to 16:25

ESTHER

- Esther 1:1 to 3:13
- Esther 4:1 to 7:10
- Esther 8:1 to 11:1

May

1 MACCABEES

- 1 Maccabees 1:1 to 2:70
- 1 Maccabees 3:1 to 4:61
- 1 Maccabees 5:1 to 6:63
- 1 Maccabees 7:1 to 8:32
- 1 Maccabees 9:1 to 10:89
- 1 Maccabees 11:1 to 12:53
- 1 Maccabees 13:1 to 14:49
- 1 Maccabees 15:1 to 16:24

2 MACCABEES

- 2 Maccabees 1:1 to 3:40
- 2 Maccabees 4:1 to 6:31
- 2 Maccabees 7:1 to 9:29
- 2 Maccabees 10:1 to 12:45
- 2 Maccabees 13:1 to 15:39

JOB

- Job 1:1 to 6:30
- Job 7:1 to 11:20
- Job 12:1 to 15:35
- Job 16:1 to 20:29
- Job 21:1 to 26:14
- Job 27:1 to 30:31
- Job 32:1 to 34:37
- Job 35:1 to 38:41
- Job 39:1 to 42:17

PSALMS

- Psalms 1:1 to 9:20
- Psalms 10:1 to 17:15
- Psalms 18:1 to 23:6
- Psalms 24:1 to 30:12
- Psalms 31:1 to 35:28
- Psalms 36:1 to 40:17
- Psalms 41:1 to 47:9
- Psalms 48:1 to 54:7
- Psalms 55:1 to 61:8

June

PSALMS

- Psalms 62:1 to 68:35
- Psalms 69:1 to 73:28
- Psalms 74:1 to 78:72
- Psalms 79:1 to 85:13
- Psalms 86:1 to 90:17
- Psalms 91:1 to 99:9
- Psalms 100:1 to 104:35
- Psalms 105:1 to 107:43
- Psalms 108:1 to 117:2
- Psalms 118:1 to 119:176
- Psalms 120:1 to 134:3
- Psalms 135:1 to 141:10
- Psalms 142:1 to 149:6

PROVERBS

- Proverbs 1:1 to 5:23
- Proverbs 6:1 to 10:32
- Proverbs 11:1 to 14:35
- Proverbs 15:1 to 18:24
- Proverbs 19:1 to 23:35
- Proverbs 24:1 to 27:27
- Proverbs 28:1 to 31:31

ECCLESIASTES

- Ecclesiastes 1:1 to 5:20
- Ecclesiastes 6:1 to 12:14

SONG OF SOLOMON

- Song of Solomon 1:1 to 7:14

WISDOM OF SOLOMON

- Wisdom of Solomon 1:1 to 5:23
- Wisdom of Solomon 6:1 to 10:21
- Wisdom of Solomon 11:1 to 13:19
- Wisdom of Solomon 14:1 to 16:29
- Wisdom of Solomon 17:1 to 19:22

SIRACH

- Sirach 1:1 to 4:31
- Sirach 5:1 to 8:19

July

SIRACH

- Sirach 9:1 to 11:34
- Sirach 12:1 to 15:20
- Sirach 16:1 to 19:30
- Sirach 20:1 to 22:27
- Sirach 23:1 to 25:26
- Sirach 16:1 to 29:28
- Sirach 30:1 to 33:33
- Sirach 34:1 to 37:31
- Sirach 38:1 to 39:35
- Sirach 40:1 to 43:33
- Sirach 44:1 to 45:26
- Sirach 46:1 to 49:16
- Sirach 50:1 to 51:30

ISAIAH

- Isaiah 1:1 to 4:6
- Isaiah 5:1 to 8:22
- Isaiah 9:1 to 12:6
- Isaiah 13:1 to 17:14
- Isaiah 18:1 to 22:25
- Isaiah 23:1 to 27:13
- Isaiah 28:1 to 30:33
- Isaiah 31:1 to 34:17
- Isaiah 35:1 to 38:22
- Isaiah 39:1 to 42:25
- Isaiah 43:1 to 45:25
- Isaiah 46:1 to 49:26
- Isaiah 50:1 to 53:12
- Isaiah 54:1 to 57:21
- Isaiah 58:1 to 61:11
- Isaiah 62:1 to 64:12
- Isaiah 65:1 to 66:24

JEREMIAH

- Jeremiah 1:1 to 3:25

August

JEREMIAH

- Jeremiah 4:1 to 5:31
- Jeremiah 6:1 to 8:22
- Jeremiah 9:1 to 12:17
- Jeremiah 13:1 to 15:21
- Jeremiah 16:1 to 17:27
- Jeremiah 18:1 to 21:14
- Jeremiah 22:1 to 24:10
- Jeremiah 25:1 to 28:17
- Jeremiah 29:1 to 31:40
- Jeremiah 32:1 to 35:19
- Jeremiah 36:1 to 39:18
- Jeremiah 40:1 to 43:13
- Jeremiah 44:1 to 47:7
- Jeremiah 48:1 to 49:39
- Jeremiah 50:1 to 51:23
- Jeremiah 51:24 to 52:34

LAMENTATIONS

- Lamentations 1:1 to 3:66
- Lamentations 4:1 to 5:22

BARUCH

- Baruch 1:1 to 3:37
- Baruch 4:1 to 6:73

EZEKIEL

- Ezekiel 1:1 to 6:14
- Ezekiel 7:1 to 11:25
- Ezekiel 12:1 to 15:8
- Ezekiel 16:1 to 19:14
- Ezekiel 20:1 to 22:31
- Ezekiel 23:1 to 26:21
- Ezekiel 27:1 to 28:26
- Ezekiel 29:1 to 32:32
- Ezekiel 33:1 to 36:38
- Ezekiel 37:1 to 39:29
- Ezekiel 40:1 to 43:27

September

EZEKIEL

- Ezekiel 44:1 to 46:24
- Ezekiel 47:1 to 48:35

DANIEL

- Daniel 1:1 to 2:49
- Daniel 3:1 to 3:97
- Daniel 4:1 to 6:28
- Daniel 7:1 to 9:27
- Daniel 10:1 to 12:13
- Daniel 14:1 to 14:41

HOSEA

- Hosea 1:1 to 6:11
- Hosea 7:1 to 10:15
- Hosea 11:1 to 14:9

JOEL

- Joel 1:1 to 3:21

AMOS

- Amos 1:1 to 4:13
- Amos 5:1 to 9:15

OBADIAH

- Obadiah 1:1 to 1:21

JONAH

- Jonah 1:1 to 4:11

MICAH

- Micah 1:1 to 5:15
- Micah 6:1 to 7:20

NAHUM

- Nahum 1:1 to 3:19

HABAKKUK

- Habakkuk 1:1 to 3:19

ZEPHANIAH

- Zephaniah 1:1 to 3:20

HAGGAI

- Haggai 1:1 to 2:23

ZECHARIAH

- Zechariah 1:1 to 8:23
- Zechariah 9:1 to 14:21

MALACHI

- Malachi 1:1 to 4:6

MATTHEW

- Matthew 1:1 to 5:48
- Matthew 6:1 to 9:38
- Matthew 10:1 to 12:50
- Matthew 13:1 to 15:39

October

MATTHEW

- Matthew 16:1 to 19:30
- Matthew 20:1 to 22:46
- Matthew 23:1 to 25:46
- Matthew 26:1 to 28:20

MARK

- Mark 1:1 to 3:35
- Mark 4:1 to 6:56
- Mark 7:1 to 9:50
- Mark 10:1 to 12:44
- Mark 13:1 to 14:72
- Mark 15:1 to 16:20

LUKE

- Luke 1:1 to 2:52
- Luke 3:1 to 5:39
- Luke 6:1 to 7:50
- Luke 8:1 to 9:62
- Luke 10:1 to 11:54
- Luke 12:1 to 14:35
- Luke 15:1 to 18:43
- Luke 19:1 to 21:38
- Luke 22:1 to 24:53

JOHN

- John 1:1 to 3:36
- John 4:1 to 6:71
- John 7:1 to 9:41
- John 10:1 to 12:50
- John 13:1 to 16:33
- John 17:1 to 20:31
- John 21:1 to 21:25

ACTS

- Acts 1:1 to 4:37
- Acts 5:1 to 8:40
- Acts 9:1 to 12:25
- Acts 13:1 to 15:41
- Acts 16:1 to 18:28

November

ACTS

- Acts 19:1 to 21:40
- Acts 22:1 to 25:27
- Acts 26:1 to 28:31

ROMANS

- Romans 1:1 to 4:25
- Romans 5:1 to 9:33
- Romans 10:1 to 13:14
- Romans 14:1 to 16:27

1 CORINTHIANS

- 1 Corinthians 1:1 to 4:21
- 1 Corinthians 5:1 to 7:40
- 1 Corinthians 8:1 to 12:31

2 CORINTHIANS

- 2 Corinthians 1:1 to 7:16
- 2 Corinthians 8:1 to 13:13

GALATIANS

- Galatians 1:1 to 6:18

EPHESIANS

- Ephesians 1:1 to 6:24

PHILIPPIANS

- Philippians 1:1 to 4:23

COLOSSIANS

- Colossians 1:1 to 4:18
- 1 Thessalonians 1:1 to 5:28
- 2 Thessalonians 1:1 to 3:17

1 TIMOTHY

- 1 Timothy 1:1 to 6:21

2 TIMOTHY

- 2 Timothy 1:1 to 4:22

TITUS

- Titus 1:1 to 3:15

PHILEMON

- Philemon 1:1 to 1:25

HEBREWS

- Hebrews 1:1 to 6:20
- Hebrews 7:1 to 10:39

No more reading this month.



READ THE Old Testament IN A YEAR

January

GENESIS

- 3 Genesis 1:1 to 4:26
 - 4 Genesis 5:1 to 9:29
 - 5 Genesis 10:1 to 16:16
 - 6 Genesis 17:1 to 20:18
 - 7 Genesis 21:1 to 24:67
Weekend Reflections
 - 10 Genesis 25:1 to 27:46
 - 11 Genesis 28:1 to 30:43
 - 12 Genesis 31:1 to 35:29
 - 13 Genesis 36:1 to 39:23
 - 14 Genesis 40:1 to 42:38
Weekend Reflections
 - 17 Genesis 43:1 to 46:34
 - 18 Genesis 47:1 to 50:26
- ### EXODUS
- 19 Exodus 1:1 to 5:23
 - 20 Exodus 6:1 to 9:35
 - 21 Exodus 10:1 to 13:22
Weekend Reflections
 - 24 Exodus 14:1 to 17:16
 - 25 Exodus 18:1 to 22:32
 - 26 Exodus 23:1 to 26:37
 - 27 Exodus 27:1 to 29:46
 - 28 Exodus 30:1 to 33:23
Weekend Reflections
 - 31 Exodus 34:1 to 37:29

February

EXODUS

- 1 Exodus 38:1 to 40:38

LEVITICUS

- 2 Leviticus 1:1 to 6:30
- 3 Leviticus 7:1 to 10:20
- 4 Leviticus 11:1 to 13:59
Weekend Reflections
- 7 Leviticus 14:1 to 17:16
- 8 Leviticus 18:1 to 21:24
- 9 Leviticus 22:1 to 24:23
- 10 Leviticus 25:1 to 27:34

NUMBERS

- 11 Numbers 1:1 to 3:51
Weekend Reflections
- 14 Numbers 4:1 to 6:27
- 15 Numbers 7:1 to 10:36
- 16 Numbers 11:1 to 14:45
- 17 Numbers 15:1 to 17:13
- 18 Numbers 18:1 to 21:35
Weekend Reflections
- 21 Numbers 22:1 to 25:18
- 22 Numbers 26:1 to 28:31
- 23 Numbers 29:1 to 32:42
- 24 Numbers 33:1 to 36:13

DEUTERONOMY

- 25 Deuteronomy 1:1 to 3:29
Weekend Reflections
- 28 Deuteronomy 4:1 to 7:26

March

DEUTERONOMY

- 1 Deuteronomy 8:1 to 11:32
- 2 Deuteronomy 12:1 to 15:23
- 3 Deuteronomy 16:1 to 20:20
- 4 Deuteronomy 21:1 to 25:19
Weekend Reflections
- 7 Deuteronomy 26:1 to 28:68
- 8 Deuteronomy 29:1 to 31:29
- 9 Deuteronomy 32:1 to 34:12

JOSHUA

- 10 Joshua 1:1 to 4:24
- 11 Joshua 5:1 to 8:35
Weekend Reflections
- 14 Joshua 9:1 to 11:23
- 15 Joshua 12:1 to 16:10
- 16 Joshua 17:1 to 20:9
- 17 Joshua 21:1 to 24:33
- 18 Judges 1:1 to 3:31
Weekend Reflections

JUDGES

- 21 Judges 4:1 to 6:40
- 22 Judges 7:1 to 9:57
- 23 Judges 10:1 to 13:25
- 24 Judges 14:1 to 18:31
- 25 Judges 21:25
Weekend Reflections

RUTH

- 28 Ruth 1:1 to 4:22
- 29 1 Samuel 1:1 to 9:27
- 30 1 Samuel 10:1 to 13:22
- 31 1 Samuel 14:1 to 16:23

April

1 SAMUEL

- 1 1 Samuel 17:1 to 19:24
Weekend Reflections
- 4 1 Samuel 20:1 to 23:29
- 5 1 Samuel 24:1 to 28:25
- 6 1 Samuel 29:1 to 31:13

2 SAMUEL

- 7 2 Samuel 1:1 to 5:25
- 8 2 Samuel 6:1 to 11:27
Weekend Reflections
- 11 2 Samuel 12:1 to 14:33
- 12 2 Samuel 15:1 to 17:29
- 13 2 Samuel 18:1 to 20:26
- 14 2 Samuel 21:1 to 24:25

1 KINGS

- 15 1 Kings 1:1 to 3:28
Weekend Reflections
- 18 1 Kings 4:1 to 6:38
- 19 1 Kings 7:1 to 9:28
- 20 1 Kings 10:1 to 12:33
- 21 1 Kings 13:1 to 15:34
- 22 1 Kings 16:1 to 19:21
Weekend Reflections
- 25 1 Kings 20:1 to 22:53

2 KINGS

- 26 2 Kings 16:1 to 18:37
- 27 2 Kings 19:1 to 22:20
- 28 2 Kings 23:1 to 25:30

1 CHRONICLES

- 29 1 Chronicles 1:1 to 4:43
Weekend Reflections

May

1 CHRONICLES

- 2 1 Chronicles 5:1 to 7:40
- 3 1 Chronicles 8:1 to 11:47
- 4 1 Chronicles 12:1 to 16:43
- 5 1 Chronicles 17:1 to 21:30
- 6 1 Chronicles 22:1 to 26:32
Weekend Reflections
- 9 1 Chronicles 27:00 to 29:30

2 CHRONICLES

- 10 2 Chronicles 1:1 to 6:42
- 11 2 Chronicles 7:1 to 10:19
- 12 2 Chronicles 11:1 to 16:14
- 13 2 Chronicles 17:1 to 21:20
Weekend Reflections
- 16 2 Chronicles 22:1 to 25:28
- 17 2 Chronicles 26:1 to 29:36
- 18 2 Chronicles 30:1 to 32:33
- 19 2 Chronicles 33:1 to 36:23

EZRA

- 20 Ezra 1:1 to 5:17
Weekend Reflections
- 23 Ezra 6:1 to 10:44

NEHEMIAH

- 25 Nehemiah 6:1 to 8:18
- 26 Nehemiah 9:1 to 12:47
- 27 Nehemiah 13:1 to 13:30
Weekend Reflections

TOBIT

- 30 Tobit 1:1 to 4:21
- 31 Tobit 5:1 to 9:6

June

TOBIT

- 1 Tobit 10:1 to 14:15

JUDITH

- 2 Judith 1:1 to 5:24
- 3 Judith 6:1 to 8:36
Weekend Reflections
- 6 Judith 9:1 to 13:20
- 7 Judith 14:1 to 16:25

ESTHER

- 8 Esther 1:1 to 3:13
- 9 Esther 4:1 to 7:10
- 10 Esther 8:1 to 11:1
Weekend Reflections

1 MACCABEES

- 13 1 Maccabees 1:1 to 2:70
- 14 1 Maccabees 3:1 to 4:61
- 15 1 Maccabees 5:1 to 6:63
- 16 1 Maccabees 7:1 to 8:32
- 17 1 Maccabees 9:1 to 10:89
Weekend Reflections
- 20 1 Maccabees 11:1 to 12:53
- 21 1 Maccabees 13:1 to 14:49
- 22 1 Maccabees 15:1 to 16:24

2 MACCABEES

- 23 2 Maccabees 1:1 to 3:40
- 24 2 Maccabees 4:1 to 6:31
Weekend Reflections
- 27 2 Maccabees 7:1 to 9:29
- 28 2 Maccabees 10:1 to 12:45
- 29 2 Maccabees 13:1 to 15:39

JOB

- 30 Job 1:1 to 6:30

July

JOB

- 1 Job 7:1 to 11:20
Weekend Reflections
- 4 Job 12:1 to 15:35
- 5 Job 16:1 to 20:29
- 6 Job 21:1 to 26:14
- 7 Job 27:1 to 30:31
- 8 Job 32:1 to 34:37
Weekend Reflections
- 11 Job 35:1 to 38:41
- 12 Job 39:1 to 42:17

PSALMS

- 13 Psalm 1:1 to 9:20
- 14 Psalm 10:1 to 17:15
- 15 Psalm 18:1 to 23:6
Weekend Reflections
- 18 Psalm 24:1 to 30:12
- 19 Psalm 31:1 to 35:28
- 20 Psalm 36:1 to 40:17
- 21 Psalm 41:1 to 47:9
Weekend Reflections
- 22 Psalm 48:1 to 54:7
Weekend Reflections
- 25 Psalm 55:1 to 61:8
- 26 Psalm 62:1 to 68:35
- 27 Psalm 69:1 to 73:28
- 28 Psalm 74:1 to 78:72
- 29 Psalm 79:1 to 85:13
Weekend Reflections

August

PSALMS

- 1 Psalm 86:1 to 90:17
- 2 Psalm 91:1 to 99:9
- 3 Psalm 100:1 to 104:35
- 4 Psalm 105:1 to 107:43
- 5 Psalm 108:1 to 117:2
Weekend Reflections
- 8 Psalm 118:1 to 119:176
- 9 Psalm 120:1 to 134:3
- 10 Psalm 135:1 to 141:10
- 11 Psalm 142:1 to 149:6

PROVERBS

- 12 Proverbs 1:1 to 5:23
Weekend Reflections
- 15 Proverbs 6:1 to 10:32
- 16 Proverbs 11:1 to 14:35
- 17 Proverbs 15:1 to 18:24
- 18 Proverbs 19:1 to 23:35
- 19 Proverbs 24:1 to 27:27
Weekend Reflections
- 22 Proverbs 28:1 to 31:31

ECCLESIASTES

- 23 Ecclesiastes 1:1 to 5:20
- 24 Ecclesiastes 6:1 to 12:14

SONG OF SOLOMON

- 25 Song of Solomon 1:1 to 7:14

WISDOM OF SOLOMON

- 26 Wisdom of Solomon 1:1 to 5:23
Weekend Reflections
- 29 Wisdom of Solomon 6:1 to 10:21
- 30 Wisdom of Solomon 11:1 to 13:19
- 31 Wisdom of Solomon 14:1 to 16:29

September

WISDOM OF SOLOMON

- 1 Wisdom of Solomon 17:1 to 19:22
- 2 Sirach 1:1 to 4:31
Weekend Reflections

SIRACH

- 5 Sirach 5:1 to 8:19
- 6 Sirach 9:1 to 11:34
- 7 Sirach 12:1 to 15:20
- 8 Sirach 16:1 to 19:30
- 9 Sirach 20:1 to 22:27
Weekend Reflections
- 12 Sirach 23:1 to 25:26
- 13 Sirach 16:1 to 29:28
- 14 Sirach 30:1 to 33:33
- 15 Sirach 34:1 to 37:31
- 16 Sirach 38:1 to 39:35
Weekend Reflections

- 19 Sirach 40:1 to 43:33
- 20 Sirach 44:1 to 45:26
- 21 Sirach 46:1 to 49:16
- 22 Sirach 50:1 to 51:30
- 23 Isaiah 1:1 to 4:6
Weekend Reflections

ISAIAH

- 26 Isaiah 5:1 to 8:22
- 27 Isaiah 9:1 to 12:6
- 28 Isaiah 13:1 to 17:14
- 29 Isaiah 18:1 to 22:25
- 30 Isaiah 23:1 to 27:13

October

ISAIAH

- Weekend Reflections*
- 3 Isaiah 28:1 to 30:33
- 4 Isaiah 31:1 to 34:17
- 5 Isaiah 35:1 to 38:22
- 6 Isaiah 39:1 to 42:25
- 7 Isaiah 43:1 to 45:25
Weekend Reflections

- 10 Isaiah 46:1 to 49:26
- 11 Isaiah 50:1 to 53:12
- 12 Isaiah 54:1 to 57:21
- 13 Isaiah 58:1 to 61:11
- 14 Isaiah 62:1 to 64:12
Weekend Reflections
- 17 Isaiah 65:1 to 66:24

JEREMIAH

- 18 Jeremiah 1:1 to 3:25
- 19 Jeremiah 4:1 to 5:31
- 20 Jeremiah 6:1 to 8:22
- 21 Jeremiah 9:1 to 12:17
Weekend Reflections
- 24 Jeremiah 13:1 to 15:21
- 25 Jeremiah 16:1 to 17:27
- 26 Jeremiah 18:1 to 21:14
- 27 Jeremiah 22:1 to 24:10
- 28 Jeremiah 25:1 to 28:17
Weekend Reflections
- 31 Jeremiah 29:1 to 31:40

November

JEREMIAH

- 1 Jeremiah 32:1 to 35:19
- 2 Jeremiah 36:1 to 39:18
- 3 Jeremiah 40:1 to 43:13
- 4 Jeremiah 44:1 to 47:7
Weekend Reflections
- 7 Jeremiah 48:1 to 49:39
- 8 Jeremiah 50:1 to 51:23
- 9 Jeremiah 51:24 to 52:34

LAMENTATIONS

- 10 Lamentations 1:1 to 3:66
- 11 Lamentations 4:1 to 5:22
Weekend Reflections

BARUCH

- 14 Baruch 1:1 to 3:37
- 15 Baruch 4:1 to 6:73

EZEKIEL

- 16 Ezekiel 1:1 to 6:14
- 17 Ezekiel 7:1 to 11:25
- 18 Ezekiel 12:1 to 15:8
Weekend Reflections
- 21 Ezekiel 16:1 to 19:14
- 22 Ezekiel 20:1 to 22:31
- 23 Ezekiel 23:1 to 26:21
- 24 Ezekiel 27:1 to 28:26
- 25 Ezekiel 29:1 to 32:32
Weekend Reflections
- 28 Ezekiel 33:1 to 36:38
- 29 Ezekiel 37:1 to 39:29
- 30 Ezekiel 40:1 to 43:27

December

EZEKIEL

- 1 Ezekiel 44:1 to 46:24
- 2 Ezekiel 47:1 to 48:35
Weekend Reflections

DANIEL

- 5 Daniel 1:1 to 2:49
- 6 Daniel 3:1 to 3:97
- 7 Daniel 4:1 to 6:28
- 8 Daniel 7:1 to 9:27
- 9 Daniel 10:1 to 12:13
Weekend Reflections
- 12 Daniel 14:1 to 14:41

HOSEA

- 13 Hosea 1:1 to 6:11
- 14 Hosea 7:1 to 10:15
- 15 Hosea 11:1 to 14:9

JOEL

- 16 Joel 1:1 to 3:21
Weekend Reflections

AMOS

- 19 Amos 1:1 to 9:15

OBADIAH

- 20 Obadiah 1:1 to 1:21

JONAH

- 21 Jonah 1:1 to 4:11

MICAH

- 22 Micah 1:1 to 7:20

NAHUM

- 23 Nahum 1:1 to 3:19
Weekend Reflections

HABAKKUK

- 26 Habakkuk 1:1 to 3:19

ZEPHANIAH

- 27 Zephaniah 1:1 to 3:20

HAGGAI

- 28 Haggai 1:1 to 2:23

ZECHARIAH

- 29 Zechariah 1:1 to 8:23

MALACHI

- 31 Malachi 1:1 to 4:6

Read the New Testament in a Year

January

MARK

3 1
4 2
5 3
6 4
7 5
Weekend Reflection
10 6
11 7
12 8
13 9
14 10
Weekend Reflection
17 11
18 12
19 13
20 14
21 15
Weekend Reflection
24 16

GALATIANS
25 1
26 2
27 3
28 4
Weekend Reflection
31 5

February

GALATIANS

EPHESIANS

1 6
2 1
3 2
4 3
Weekend Reflection
7 4
8 5
9 6

PHILIPPIANS
10 1
11 2
Weekend Reflection
14 3
15 4

HEBREWS
16 1
17 2
18 3
Weekend Reflection
21 4
22 5
23 6
24 7
25 8
Weekend Reflection
28 9

March

HEBREWS

1 10
2 11
3 12
4 13
Weekend Reflection

COLOSSIANS

7 1
8 2
9 3
10 4

LUKE

11 1
Weekend Reflection
14 2
15 3
16 4
17 5
18 6
Weekend Reflection
21 7
22 8
23 8
24 10
25 11
Weekend Reflection
28 12
29 13
30 14
31 15

April

LUKE

1 16
Weekend Reflection
4 17
5 18
6 19
7 20
8 21
Weekend Reflection
11 22
12 23
13 24

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
14 1
15 2
Weekend Reflection
18 3
19 4
20 5
21 6
22 7
Weekend Reflection
25 8
26 9
27 10
28 11
29 12
Weekend Reflection

May

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

2 13
3 14
4 15
5 16
6 17
Weekend Reflection
9 18
10 19
11 20
12 21
13 22
Weekend Reflection
16 23
17 24
18 25
19 26
20 27
Weekend Reflection
23 28

ROMANS
24 1
25 2
26 3
27 4
Weekend Reflection
30 5
31 6

June

ROMANS

1 7
2 8
3 9
Weekend Reflection
6 10
7 11
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10 14
Weekend Reflection
13 15
14 16

1 THESSALONIANS
15 1
16 2
17 3
Weekend Reflection
20 4
21 5

2 THESSALONIANS
22 1
23 2
24 3
Weekend Reflection

1 TIMOTHY
27 1
28 2
29 3
30 4

July

1 TIMOTHY

1 5
Weekend Reflection
4 6

2 TIMOTHY

5 1
6 2
7 3
8 4
Weekend Reflection

TITUS

11 1
12 2
13 3

PHILEMON

14 Philemon

JUDE

15 Jude
Weekend Reflection

MATTHEW

18 1
19 2
20 3
21 4
22 5
Weekend Reflection
25 6
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28 9
29 10
Weekend Reflection

August

MATTHEW

1 11
2 12
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Weekend Reflection
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12 20
Weekend Reflection

15 21
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19 25
Weekend Reflection
22 26
23 27
24 28

1 CORINTHIANS

25 1
26 2
27 3
28 4
29 5
Weekend Reflection

September

1 CORINTHIANS

1 6
2 7
Weekend Reflection
5 8
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Weekend Reflection
12 13
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15 16

2 CORINTHIANS

16 1
Weekend Reflection
19 2
20 3
21 4
22 5
23 6
Weekend Reflection
26 7
27 8
28 9
29 10
30 11
Weekend Reflection

October

2 CORINTHIANS

3 12
4 13

JAMES

5 1
6 2
7 3
Weekend Reflection

10 4
11 5

1 PETER

12 1
13 2
14 3
Weekend Reflection
17 4
18 5

2 PETER

19 1
20 2
21 3
Weekend Reflection

JOHN

24 1
25 2
26 3
27 4
28 5
Weekend Reflection
31 6

November

JOHN

1 7
2 8
3 9
4 10
Weekend Reflection
7 11
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Weekend Reflection
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Weekend Reflection
21 21

1 JOHN

22 1
23 2
24 3
25 3
Weekend Reflection
28 5
29 6
30 7

December

1 JOHN

1 8
2 9
Weekend Reflection
5 10

2 JOHN

6 2 John

3 JOHN

7 3 JOHN

REVELATION

8 1-2
9 3-4
Weekend Reflection

12 5-6
13 7-8
14 9-10
15 11
16 12
Weekend Reflection

19 13
20 14
21 15
22 16
23 17
Weekend Reflection
26 18
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28 20
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31 23