

Lent Bible Plan



Saint Faustina Kowalska

During her retreat of June 2, 1938 ... Jesus instructed St. Faustina to read from the Bible (*Diary 1751*).

In 1757 He said to her, "Today, you will read chapter fifteen of the Gospel of St. John. I want you to read it slowly.

In *Diary* entry 1765 He said to her, "Today, My daughter, for your reading you shall take chapter nineteen of St. John's Gospel, and read it, not only with your lips, but with your heart."

In entry 1773: "Today, for your spiritual reading you shall take the Gospel of St. John, chapter twenty-one."

Why Jesus wants to confirm this message over and over again with her — and through her, with us?

I think our Savior was persistent about this with St. Faustina, and through her *Diary*, with us all, because He knows that His Holy Word, the Bible, is a "dead letter" to us until we learn how to read it with the help of His Holy Spirit (the same Spirit, by the way, who inspired it to be written in the first place!).

As apostles of The Divine Mercy, we should commit ourselves to a daily time of prayer, always including Scriptural readings, especially a Gospel reading and meditation on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus our Savior.

This Lent spend 40 days in the Word of God by reading through the Gospel of John. This is a daily reading plan that will take you all the way through John during Lent, starting on Ash Wednesday and finishing on Easter Saturday.

Lent is a time to develop spiritual discipline and there is no better way of growing as a follower of Jesus than reading the Bible. Research carried out on 300,000 Christians has consistently shown that those who read the Bible consistently are more likely to grow in their faith.

Why the Gospel of John

John's Gospel is a little different from the other Gospels in the way it is put together. John is writing with the aim of increasing our faith and strengthening our life in Jesus (John 20:30-31). He wants to point us to Jesus as the Son of God and in doing so gives far more interpretation on what Jesus said and did. So John has a much more devotional feel to it than the other Gospels which makes it great book to read in Lent.

Read Together!

Share your thoughts and revelations as you read through John together with your Family.



Forty Days with Saint John March 01 – April 15, 2017

- Wed. 1:1-28
 - Thurs. 1:29-51
 - Fri. 2:1-23
 - Sat. 3:1-21
 - Sun. Rest

 - Mon. 3:22-36
 - Tues. 4:1-42
 - Wed. 4:43-54
 - Thurs. 5:1-29
 - Fri. 5:30-47
 - Sat. 6:1-21
 - Sun. Rest

 - Mon. 6:22-59
 - Tues. 6:60-71
 - Wed. 7:1-31
 - Thurs. 7:32-52
 - Fri. 8:1-30
 - Sat. 8:31-59
 - Sun. Rest

 - Mon. 9:1-41
 - Tues. 10:1-21
 - Wed. 10:22-42
 - Thurs. 11:1-27
 - Fri. 11:28-57
 - Sat. 12:1-26
 - Sun. Rest

 - Mon. 12:27-50
 - Tues. 13:1-20
 - Wed. 13:21-38
 - Thurs. 14:1-14
 - Fri. 14:15-31
 - Sat. 15:1-17
 - Sun. Rest

 - Mon. 15:18-27
 - Tues. 16:1-15
 - Wed. 16:16-33
 - Thurs. 17:1-26
 - Fri. 18:1-24
 - Sat. 18:25-40
 - Palm Sun. Rest**
- ### Holy Week
- Mon. 19:1-27
 - Tues. 19:28-42
 - Wed. 20:1-18
 - Thurs. 20:19-30
 - Fri. 21:1-14
 - Sat. 21:15-25
 - Easter—Celebrate!**