

## On this day: St. Luke

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On this day we celebrate the feast of St. Luke, Evangelist.

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The First Reading at Mass, from Paul to Timothy, begins with this: "Demas, enamored of the present world, deserted me and went to Thessalonica, Crescens to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia, Luke is the only one with me."

Demas deserted, but Luke stayed. [John Keble](#), [3] the great poet of the Oxford Movement, compares the two in "[St. Luke](#)," [4] in *The Christian Year*, 1827.

For modern biblical scholarship on St. Luke, see [The Birth of the Messiah: A Commentary on the Infancy Narratives in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke](#), [5] by Raymond E. Brown, Yale University Press, updated edition, 1999; and [Meeting St. Luke Today: Understanding the Man, His Mission, and His Message](#), [6] by Daniel J. Harrington, SJ, Loyola Press, 2009.

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