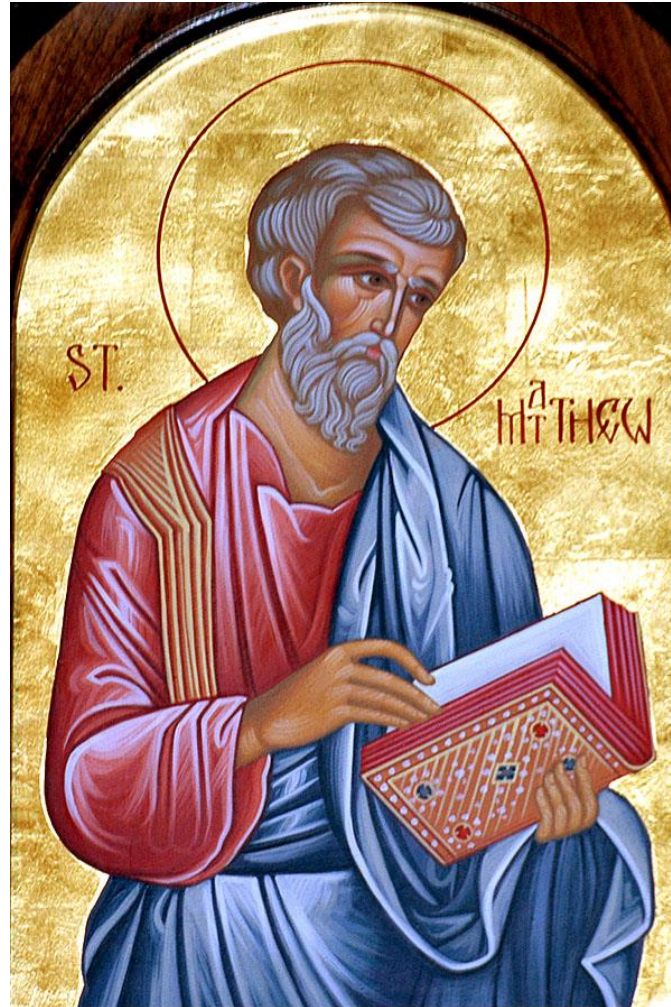


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- Year A- Matthew
- Year B- Mark
- Year C- Luke

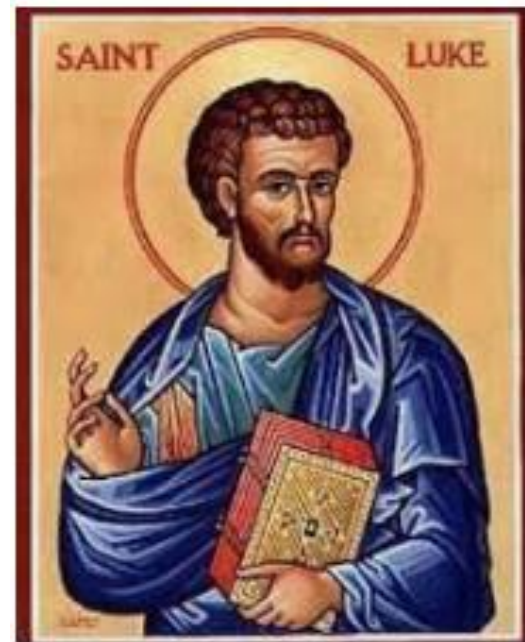
# Year C- St Luke

## Who was Luke?



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- He is sometimes called St Luke the Evangelist
- He wrote the Gospel according to St Luke and the Acts of the Apostles
- He wasn't one of the 12 disciples, but may have been one of the first 70 Christians.
- He was very educated, he may have been a doctor- he is the patron saint of physicians.
- He was a companion of St Paul and went with him on his missionary journeys
- He may have spent a long time in Palestine teaching about God
- He is considered to have been 'moved by the Holy Spirit'- a prophet





# The Season of Advent

# When is Advent?

Advent is the beginning of the Church Year for most churches. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day, which is the Sunday nearest November 30, and ends on Christmas Eve (Dec 24). If Christmas Eve is a Sunday, it is counted as the fourth Sunday of Advent.



# What does Advent mean?

The word 'Advent' means 'coming' or 'arrival'.

The whole season of advent is a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. It also is a time of preparation, a time for thinking about when Jesus will come again.



# The Advent Wreath



# The circle of evergreen

The circle of the wreath reminds us of God, His endless mercy which has no beginning and no end.

The evergreen branches and leaves symbolise the everlasting life which God gives us.

We also use holly which reminds us of the crown of thorns worn by Jesus.



# The three purple candles

An advent wreath usually has four candles. The candles remind us that Jesus is the light of the World and that His coming drives out darkness.

The three purple candles in the Advent wreath symbolise hope, peace, and love. These candles are lit on the first, second, and fourth Sundays of Advent.



# The pink candle

The third candle in the Advent Wreath is usually pink.

It symbolises joy and is usually lit on the third Sunday of Advent.

Once the third candle is lit light is overcoming darkness and Christ's birth is near.



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# CELEBRATING ADVENT

- ❖ Priests wear purple vestments
- ❖ The cloths on our prayer tables are purple

