

Biblical Translations Authorized for Use (2016)

The Public reading of scripture for the liturgies of the Diocese of Huron will be from those translations which accurately reflect the original Greek and Hebrew texts and have been compiled by groups of scholars. "Dynamic Equivalence" or "Paraphrase" versions of the Holy Scripture, including versions which reflect the opinion of one person rather than a consensus of scholars are not permitted for use in the liturgies of the Diocese of Huron. (Canon 17.8)

The recommended version for public reading, and for all diocesan and area liturgical gatherings is the **New Revised Standard Version (1989)**

Also permitted for public reading in the Anglican Church of Canada, as recommended by the National Doctrine and Worship Committee to the House of Bishops in 1987 (by date of publication):

New Jerusalem 1985
New International Version 1978
New American Bible 1970
Revised Standard Version 1952
King James (Authorized Version) 1611

The recommendations excluded the following translations for public reading.

The Living Bible
J.B. Philips
Barclay
Cotton Patch
Jerusalem Bible 1966
New English Bible (1961)
Readers Digest Bible
The Message

These guidelines refer only to English language versions. For congregations using other languages, please discuss with the Bishop's Office your choice of a version. The Doctrine and Worship Committee of the Diocese of Huron may recommend other versions for inclusion in the former or the latter list, but final authorization of versions remains at the discretion of the Bishop.

For issues regarding inclusive language, please refer to the *Inclusive Language Guidelines* (Section 5.5).

