

**JUNE 29,**

**SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL, APOSTLES: MASS**

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

**A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel**

Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when some of his sheep have been scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep; and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the fountains, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and upon the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on fat pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the crippled, and I will

strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over; I will feed them in justice.

*The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

## **Psalm 87**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 87, found in the red Prayer Book on page 711.

*(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)*

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 87 as found in the service bulletin.

- 1 On the holy mountain stands the city he has  
founded; \*  
the LORD loves the gates of Zion  
more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
- 2 Glorious things are spoken of you, \*  
O city of our God.

- 3 I count Egypt and Babylon among those who  
know me; \*  
behold Philistia, Tyre, and Ethiopia:  
in Zion were they born.
- 4 Of Zion it shall be said, “Everyone was born in  
her, \*  
and the Most High himself shall sustain her.”
- 5 The LORD will record as he enrolls the peoples, \*  
“These also were born there.”
- 6 The singers and the dancers will say, \*  
“All my fresh springs are in you.”

*The Second Lesson. The Reader begins*

**A Reading from the**

**Second Letter of Paul to Timothy**

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word, be urgent in season and out of season, convince, rebuke, and exhort, be unfailing in patience and in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will

accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths. As for you, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

*The Reader says*

Please stand for the Gospel.

## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader*            Alleluia.

*People*            Alleluia.

*Reader*            Be faithful unto death, says the Lord, \*  
                          and I will give you the crown of life.

*People*            Alleluia.

*The Reader returns to his or her seat.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

*The Minister says*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

And also with you.

*Minister*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go.” (This

he said to show by what death he was to glorify God.)  
And after this he said to him, “Follow me.”

*The Minister says*        The Gospel of the Lord.