

## YEAR 1, PROPER 3, MONDAY: MASS

### For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Ecclesiasticus

uh-KLEE-zee-AS-ti-kuhs

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

### **A Reading from Ecclesiasticus**

Yet to those who repent the Lord grants a return, and he encourages those whose endurance is failing. Turn to the Lord and forsake your sins; pray in his presence and lessen your offenses. Return to the Most High and turn away from iniquity, and hate abominations intensely. Who will sing praises to the Most High in Hades, as do those who are alive and give thanks? From the dead, as from one who does not exist, thanksgiving has ceased; he who is alive and well sings the Lord's praises. How great is the mercy of the Lord, and his forgiveness for those who turn to him!

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

*Please turn the page to lead the appointed psalm.*

## Psalm 32:1–7

*The Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 32, verses 1 through 7, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 624.

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

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are  
forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no  
guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered  
away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;\*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of  
summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.

6 I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the  
LORD.” \*

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to  
you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not  
reach them.

## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was  
rich, yet for your sake he became  
poor, \*  
so that by his poverty you might become  
rich.

*People* Alleluia.

*The Reader returns to his or her seat.*

*Please turn the page for the Gospel Lesson.*

## 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 Mark.

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And as Jesus was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘Do not kill, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’ ” And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have observed from my youth.” And Jesus looking upon him loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” At that saying his countenance fell, and he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions. And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a

rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “With men it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God.”

*The Minister says*            The Gospel of the Lord.