

## YEAR 1, PROPER 3, WEDNESDAY: 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**

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, the God of all, and look upon us, and cause the fear of thee to fall upon all the nations, and let them know thee, as we have known that there is not God but thee, O Lord. Show signs anew, and work further wonders; make thy hand and thy right arm glorious. Have pity on the city of thy sanctuary, Jerusalem, the place of thy rest. Fill Zion with the celebration of thy wondrous deeds, and thy temple with thy glory. Bear witness to those whom thou didst create in the beginning, and fulfil the prophecies spoken in thy name. Reward those who wait for thee, and let thy prophets be found trustworthy. Hearken, O Lord, to the prayer of thy servants, according to the blessing of Aaron for thy

people, and all who are on the earth will know that thou art the Lord, the God of the ages.

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

## Psalm 79:8–13

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 79, verses 8 through 13, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 701.

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

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 79, as found in the service bulletin.

- 8 Remember not our past sins;  
let your compassion be swift to meet us; \*  
for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your  
Name; \*  
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your  
Name's sake.

- 10 Why should the heathen say, “Where is their  
God?” \*  
Let it be known among the heathen and in our  
sight  
that you avenge the shedding of your servants’  
blood.
- 11 Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come  
before you, \*  
and by your great might spare those who are  
condemned to die.
- 12 May the revilings with which they reviled you,  
O LORD, \*  
return seven-fold into their bosoms.
- 13 For we are your people and the sheep of your  
pasture; \*  
we will give you thanks for ever  
and show forth your praise from age to age.

*Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.*

## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* The Son of Man came not to be served  
but to serve, \*  
and to give his life a ransom for many.

*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 Mark.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And Jesus and his disciples were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the

Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise.” And James and John, the sons of Zeb'edee, came forward to him, and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be

served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

*The Minister says*        The Gospel of the Lord.