

YEAR 1, PROPER 4, FRIDAY: MASS

For use with the First Lesson

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

To'bit

TOE-bit

Tobi'as

TOH-high-uhs

Me'dia

MEE-dee-uh

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Tobit

Anna sat looking intently down the road for her son. And she caught sight of him coming, and said to his father, “Behold, your son is coming, and so is the man who went with him!” Raphael said, “I know, Tobi'as, that your father will open his eyes. You therefore must anoint his eyes with the gall; and when they smart he will rub them, and will cause the white films to fall away, and he will see you.” Then Anna ran to meet them, and embraced her son, and said to him, “I have seen you, my child; now I am ready to die.” And they both wept. To'bit started toward the door, and stumbled. But his son ran to him and took hold of his father, and he sprinkled the gall upon his father's eyes, saying, “Be of good cheer, father.” And when his eyes

began to smart he rubbed them, and the white films scaled off from the corners of his eyes. Then he saw his son and embraced him, and he wept and said, “Blessed art thou, O God, and blessed is thy name for ever, and blessed are all thy holy angels. For thou hast afflicted me, but thou hast had mercy upon me; here I see my son Tobi'as!” And his son went in rejoicing, and he reported to his father the great things that had happened to him in Me'dia.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 146

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 146, found in the red Prayer Book on page 803.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! *

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my
being.

- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of
earth, *
for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth,*
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for
their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that
is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
 your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
 Hallelujah!

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; *
 proclaim the good news of his salvation
 from day to day.

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.

As Jesus taught in the temple, he said, “How can the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David? David himself, inspired by the Holy Spirit, declared, ‘The

Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet.’ David himself calls him Lord; so how is he his son?” And the great throng heard him gladly.

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.