YEAR 1, PROPER 9, MONDAY: EVENING PRAYER

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

Ja'zer JAY-zur

Gilead GIL-ee-ad

Elea'zar el-ee-AY-zur

At'aroth AT-uh-rahth

Di'bon DIGH-bahn

El-e-a'leh El-ee-AY-luh

Se'bam SEE-bam

Ne'bo NEE-boh

Be'on BEE-ahn

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Numbers

Now the sons of Reuben and the sons of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle; and they saw the land of Ja'zer and the land of Gilead, and behold, the place was a place for cattle. So the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben came and said to Moses and to Elea'zar the priest and to the leaders of the congregation, "At'aroth, Di'bon, Ja'zer, Nim'rah, Heshbon,

El-e-a'leh, Se'bam, Ne'bo, and Be'on, the land which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle; and your servants have cattle." And they said, "If we have found favor in your sight, let this land be given to your servants for a possession; do not take us across the Jordan." But Moses said to the sons of Gad and to the sons of Reuben, "Shall your brethren go to the war while you sit here?" Then they came near to him, and said, "We will build sheepfolds here for our flocks, and cities for our little ones, but we will take up arms, ready to go before the people of Israel, until we have brought them to their place; and our little ones shall live in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land. We will not return to our homes until the people of Israel have inherited each his inheritance. For we will not inherit with them on the other side of the Jordan and beyond; because our inheritance has come to us on this side of the Jordan to the east." So Moses said to them, "If you will do this, if you will take up arms to go before the LORD for the war, and every armed man of you will pass over the Jordan before the LORD, until he has driven out his enemies from before him and the land is subdued before the LORD; then after that you shall return and be free of obligation to the LORD and to

Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the LORD. But if you will not do so, behold, you have sinned against the LORD; and be sure your sin will find you out. Build cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do what you have promised." And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben said to Moses, "Your servants will do as my lord commands. Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall remain there in the cities of Gilead; but your servants will pass over, every man who is armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my lord orders." The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

For use with the Second Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

Arimathe'a air-uh-muh-THEE-uh

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the

temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, and said, "Certainly this man was innocent!" And all the multitudes who assembled to see the sight, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance and saw these things. Now there was a man named Joseph from the Jewish town of Arimathe'a. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, who had not consented to their purpose and deed, and he was looking for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud, and laid him in a rockhewn tomb, where no one had ever yet been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and saw the tomb, and how his body was laid; then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.