

## YEAR 1, PROPER 17, TUESDAY: MASS

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

### **A Reading from the**

### **First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians**

But as to the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When people say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as travail comes upon a woman with child, and there will be no escape. But you are not in darkness, brethren, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all sons of light and sons of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. For those who sleep sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But, since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we wake or sleep we might

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live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing. But we beseech you, brethren, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. And we exhort you, brethren, admonish the idlers, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit, do not despise prophesying, but test everything; hold fast what is good, abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. Brethren, pray for us. Greet all the brethren with a holy kiss. I adjure you by the Lord that this letter be read to all the brethren. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

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## Psalm 27:1–6

*The Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 27, verses 1 through 6, found in the red Prayer Book on page 617.

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

- 1   The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
     whom then shall I fear? \*  
     the LORD is the strength of my life;  
     of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2   When evildoers came upon me to eat up my  
     flesh, \*  
     it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who  
     stumbled and fell.
- 3   Though an army should encamp against me, \*  
     yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4   And though war should rise up against me, \*  
     yet will I put my trust in him.

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- 5    One thing have I asked of the LORD;  
      one thing I seek; \*  
      that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the  
              days of my life;
6.   To behold the fair beauty of the LORD \*  
      and to seek him in his temple.

### **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader*           Alleluia.

*People*           Alleluia.

*Reader*           Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; \*  
                      from age to age my mouth will proclaim  
                                      your faithfulness.

*People*           Alleluia.

*The Reader returns to his or her seat.*

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## 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 Luke.

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And Jesus went down to Caper'na-um, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the sabbath; and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word was with authority. And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon; and he cried out with a loud voice, "Ah! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in the midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. And they were all amazed and said to one another, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." And reports of him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

*The Minister says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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