

YEAR 1, PROPER 24, TUESDAY: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation. Therefore as sin came into the world through one man and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all men sinned—sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if

many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the effect of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. Then as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one man's act of righteousness leads to acquittal and life for all men. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous. Law came in, to increase the trespass; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 40:8–11

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 40, verses 8 through 11, found in the red Prayer Book on page 640.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not
 required, *
 and so I said, “Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning
 me: *
 ‘I love to do your will, O my God;
 your law is deep in my heart.’ ”
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great
 congregation; *
 behold, I did not restrain my lips;
 and that, O LORD, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and your
 deliverance; *
 I have not concealed your love and faithfulness
 from the great congregation.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader How good it is to sing praises to our
God; *
how pleasant it is to honor him with
praise.

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 Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “Let your loins be girded and your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the marriage feast, so that they may open to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes; truly, I say to you, he will gird himself and have them sit at

table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them so, blessed are those servants!”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.