YEAR 2, PROPER 5, SATURDAY: MASS

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

Eli'sha	uh-LIGH-shuh
Sha'phat	SHAY-fat

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the First Book of the Kings So Eli'jah departed from Mount Horeb, and found Eli'sha the son of Sha'phat, who was plowing, with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth. Eli'jah passed by him and cast his mantle upon him. And he left the oxen, and ran after Eli'jah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" And he returned from following him, and took the yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Eli'jah, and ministered to him. *The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 16: 1–4

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 16, verses 1 through 4, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 599. *(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)*

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; * I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
 upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods * shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, * nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.		
Reader	Alleluia.	
People	Alleluia.	
Reader	The commandments of the Lord are	
	sure; *	
	they stand fast for ever and ever.	
People	Alleluia.	

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

The Holy Gospel

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The Minister says	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Minister	The Holy Gospel of our Lord
	Jesus Christ according to
	Matthew.
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, "You have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by

your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil." *The Minister says* The Gospel of the Lord.