

YEAR 2, PROPER 12, TUESDAY: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Thus says the LORD, “You shall say to them this word: ‘Let my eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease, for the virgin daughter of my people is smitten with a great wound, with a very grievous blow. If I go out into the field, behold, those slain by the sword! And if I enter the city, behold, the diseases of famine! For both prophet and priest ply their trade through the land, and have no knowledge.’ ” Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? Does thy soul loathe Zion? Why hast thou smitten us so that there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror. We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against thee. Do not spurn us, for thy name’s sake; do not dishonor thy glorious throne; remember and do not break thy covenant with us. Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Art thou not he, O LORD our God? We set our hope on thee, for thou doest all these things.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 79:9–13

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 79, verses 9 through 13, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 701.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your
Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your
Name's sake.

10 Why should the heathen say, “Where is their
God?” *
Let it be known among the heathen and in our
sight
that you avenge the shedding of your servants’
blood.

11 Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come
before you, *
and by your great might spare those who are
condemned to die.

12 May the revilings with which they reviled you,
O LORD, *
return seven-fold into their bosoms.

13 For we are your people and the sheep of your
pasture; *
we will give you thanks for ever
and show forth your praise from age to age.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; *
You have the words of everlasting life.

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
Matthew.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “He who sows the good seed is the Son of man; the field is the world, and the good seed means the sons of the kingdom; the weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and throw them into the furnace of fire; there men will weep and gnash their teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.