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For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

Ba'laam	BAY-luhm
Ba'lak	BAY-lack
Nicola'itans	nik-oh-LAY-uh-tens

The First Lesson. The Reader begins A Reading from the Revelation to John

"And to the angel of the church in Per'gamum write: 'The words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword. I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is; you hold fast my name and you did not deny my faith even in the days of An'tipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold the teaching of Ba'laam, who taught Ba'lak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, that they might eat food sacrificed to idols and practice immorality. So you also have some who hold the teaching of the Nicola'itans. Repent then. If not, I will come to you soon and war against them with the sword of my mouth. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone which no one knows except him who receives it.'"

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 150

At Said Mass the Reader says Please join me in reading Psalm 150, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 807. (The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

At Sung Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 150 as found in the service bulletin.

 Hallelujah!
 Praise God in his holy temple; * praise him in the firmament of his power.

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- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; * praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * Praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; * praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; * praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath * praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.	
Reader	Alleluia.
People	Alleluia.
Reader	Be faithful unto death, says the Lord, *
	and I will give you the crown of life.
People	Alleluia.

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The Holy Gospel

The Minister says People Minister

People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
✤ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As they heard these things, Jesus proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because those with him supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. He said therefore, "A nobleman went into a far country to receive a kingdom and then return. Calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten pounds, and said to them, "Trade with these till I come.' But his citizens hated him and sent an embassy after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.' When he returned, having received the kingdom, he commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by trading. The first came before him, saying, 'Lord, your pound has made ten pounds more.' And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you have been faithful in a very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.' And the second came, saying, 'Lord, your pound has made five pounds.' And he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.' Then another came, saying, 'Lord, here is your pound, which I kept laid away in a napkin; for I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man; you take up what you did not lay down, and reap what you did not sow.' He said to him, 'I will condemn you out of your own mouth, you wicked servant! You knew that I was a severe man, taking up what I did not lay down and reaping what I did not sow? Why then did you not put my money into the bank, and at my coming I should have collected it with interest?' And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the pound from him, and give it to him who has the ten pounds.' (And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten pounds!') 'I tell you, that to every one who has will more be given; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. But as for these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them before me.' " And when he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.