

YEAR C, PROPER 26, SUNDAY: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom!
Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of
Gomor'rah! “What to me is the multitude of your
sacrifices?” says the LORD; “I have had enough of
burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do
not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of
he-goats. When you come to appear before me, who
requires of you this trampling of my courts? Bring no
more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and the calling of assemblies
—I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. Your
new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me, I am weary of
bearing them. When you spread forth your hands, I
will hide my eyes from you; even though you make
many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of
blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes;
cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct

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The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Reader says

The Reader repeats the above information as needed.

1. Happy are they whose transgressions are
forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
2. Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no
guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!

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3. While I held my tongue, my bones withered
away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
4. For your hand was heavy upon me day and
night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of
summer.
5. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
6. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the
LORD.” *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
7. Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to
you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not
reach them.
8. You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

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For use with the Second Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Silva'nus

sil-VAY-nuhs

Thessalo'nians

thes-uh-LOH-nee-ins

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the

Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Paul, Silva'nus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalo'nians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren, as is fitting, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you in the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith in all your persecutions and in the afflictions which you are enduring. This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be made worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering. To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you

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worthy of his call, and may fulfil every good resolve and work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Man shall not live by bread alone, *
 but by every word that proceeds from
 the mouth of God.

People Alleluia.

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

Please turn the page for the Gospel Lesson.

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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.

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchae'us; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchae'us, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, “He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.” And Zacchae'us stood and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham.

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For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost.”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.

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