

YEAR C, PROPER 29, CHRIST THE KING: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, says the LORD. Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the

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name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’ ”

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 46:1–8

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 46, verse 1 through 8, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 649.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
 a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be
 moved, *
 and though the mountains be toppled into the
 depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
 and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city
 of God, *
 the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;
 she shall not be overthrown; *
 God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms
 are shaken; *
 God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the

Letter of Paul to the Colossians

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and

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transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation; for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Blessed is the King who comes in the
name of the Lord! *

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

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.

And the people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross;
but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others;
let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his
Chosen One!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming
up and offering him vinegar, and saying, “If you are
the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an

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inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.

OR

<i>The Minister says</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Minister</i>	✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
<i>People</i>	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus drew near to Beth'phage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the

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disciples, saying, “Go into the village opposite, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this, ‘The Lord has need of it.’ ” So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

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