JANUARY 13, HILARY, BISHOP OF POITIERS, 367: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the First Letter of John

Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know. I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth. Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 119: 97-104

At Said Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 119, verses 97 through 104, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 771.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

At Sung Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 119 as found in the service bulletin.

- 97 Oh, how I love your law! * all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, * and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, * for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, * because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, * that I may keep your word.

- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, * because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! * they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; * therefore I hate every lying way.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, *

because he has anointed me to preach

good news to the poor.

People Alleluia.

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

Please turn the page for the Gospel.

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 said to his disciples, "And I tell you, every one who acknowledges me before men, the Son of man also will acknowledge before the angels of God; but he who denies me before men will be denied before the angels of God. And every one who speaks a word against the Son of man will be forgiven; but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be anxious how or what you are to answer or what you are to say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.