JANUARY 26, TIMOTHY, TITUS, AND SILAS, COMPANIONS OF SAINT PAUL: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins A Reading from the

Second Letter of Paul to Timothy

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I thank God whom I serve with a clear conscience, as did my fathers, when I remember you constantly in my prayers. As I remember your tears, I long night and day to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you. Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control. Do not be ashamed then of testifying to our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel in the power of God. *The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 112

At Said Mass the Reader says Please join me in reading Psalm 112 found in the red Prayer Book on page 755. (The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

At Sung Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 112 as found in the service bulletin.

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the LORD * and have great delight in his commandments!

- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice.

- 6 For they will never be shaken; * the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * their heart is right; they put their trust in the LORD.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; * the desires of the wicked will perish.

Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.	
Reader	Alleluia.
People	Alleluia.
Reader	Go therefore and make disciples of all
	nations, *
	and lo, I am with you always,
	to the close of the age.
People	Alleluia.

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

The Holy Gospel

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.