

LENT 2, TUESDAY: MASS

For use with the First Lesson

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

A'moz

AY-mahz

Uzzi'ah

uh-ZIGH-uh

Jo'tham

JOH-tham

A'haz

AY-haz

Hezeki'ah

hez-uh-KIGH-uh

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The vision of Isaiah the son of A'moz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzzi'ah, Jo'tham, A'haz, and Hezeki'ah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken: "Sons have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me. The ox knows its owner, and the ass its master's crib; but Israel does not know, my people does not understand. Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, sons who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the LORD, they have despised the Holy One of Israel,

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they are utterly estranged. 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 oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 50:7–15

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 50, verses 7 through 15, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 654.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

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- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.
- 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
nor he-goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, *
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.
- 11 I know every bird in the sky, *
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *
or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and make good your vows to the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.”

Please turn the page to read the verse before the Gospel.

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Verse before the Gospel

The Reader reads the appointed verse before the Gospel.

Cast away from you all the transgressions that you
have committed against me, *
and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit!

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
Matthew.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples,
“The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses’ seat; so
practice and observe whatever they tell you, but not
what they do; for they preach, but do not practice.
They bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them
on men’s shoulders; but they themselves will not move
them with their finger. They do all their deeds to be
seen by men; for they make their phylacteries broad

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and their fringes long, and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues, and salutations in the market places, and being called rabbi by men. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brethren. And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. Neither be called masters, for you have one master, the Christ. He who is greatest among you shall be your servant; whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.

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