

JANUARY 1, THE HOLY NAME

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Numbers

The LORD said to Moses, “Say to Aaron and his sons, ‘Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them, The LORD bless you and keep you: The LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you: The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.’ So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 8

At Said Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 8, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 592.

The Reader repeats the above information several times.

- 1 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your
adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your
fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their
courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the
angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;

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- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your
hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Letter to the Galatians

But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

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Verse Before the Gospel

All stand as the reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

*Reader In the past God spoke to our fathers through the prophets **

But now he has spoken to us through his Son.

People Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

The Minister begins

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.

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When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child; and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.