

January 23, Phillips Brooks

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with might through his Spirit in the inner man, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 84:7-12

At Said Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 84, verses 7 through 12, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 708.

The Reader repeats the above information several times.

7. Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
 hearken, O God of Jacob.
8. Behold our defender, O God; *
 and look upon the face of your Anointed.
9. For one day in your courts is better than
 a thousand in my own room, *
 and to stand at the threshold of the house of my
 God
 than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
10. For the Lord God is both sun and shield; *
 he will give grace and glory;
11. No good thing will the Lord withhold *
 from those who walk with integrity.
12. O Lord of hosts, *
 happy are they who put their trust in you!

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Verse Before the Gospel

At the Said Mass, the reader leads the appointed acclamation, all standing:

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Jesus said to them, “Follow me, *
and I will make you fishers of men”.

People Alleluia.

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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.

On the Mount of Olives, Jesus said to his disciples, “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. Lo, I have told you beforehand. So, if they say to you, ‘Lo, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out; if they say, ‘Lo, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of man.”

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.