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*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

### **A Reading from the Book of Isaiah**

Ho, every one who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup>

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in fatness. <sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup> Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup> Behold, you shall call nations that you know not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

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### Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22

*The Said Mass Reader says:*

Please join me in reading Psalm 145, verses 8 through 9 and verses 15 through 22, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 802.

*The Reader repeats the above information several times.*

- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> The Lord is loving to everyone \*  
and his compassion is over all his works.
- <sup>15</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall; \*  
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- <sup>16</sup> The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, \*  
and you give them their food in due season.
- <sup>17</sup> You open wide your hand \*  
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- <sup>18</sup> The Lord is righteous in all his ways \*  
and loving in all his works.
- <sup>19</sup> The Lord is near to those who call upon him, \*  
to all who call upon him faithfully.

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- <sup>20</sup> He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; \*  
he hears their cry and helps them.
- <sup>21</sup> The Lord preserves all those who love him, \*  
but he destroys all the wicked.
- <sup>22</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; \*  
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and  
ever.

*The Second Lesson. The Reader begins*

### **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

I am speaking the truth in Christ, I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit, <sup>2</sup> that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup> For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen by race. <sup>4</sup> They are Israelites, and to them belong the sonship, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup> to them belong the patriarchs, and of their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ. God who is over all be blessed for ever. Amen.

*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* The Lord is faithful in all his words\*  
and merciful in all his deeds.

*People* Alleluia.

### 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.

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Jesus withdrew from there in a boat to a lonely place apart. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> As he went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” <sup>16</sup> Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” <sup>17</sup> They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” <sup>18</sup> And he said, “Bring them here to me.” <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*The Minister says*            The Gospel of the Lord.