

## YEAR B, PROPER 9 RCL GC, SUNDAY: MASS

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

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

The LORD said to me, “Son of man, stand upon your feet, and I will speak with you.”<sup>2</sup> And when he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me upon my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels, who have rebelled against me; they and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day.<sup>4</sup> The people also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them; and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’<sup>5</sup> And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that there has been a prophet among them.”

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

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### Psalm 123

*The Said Mass Reader says:*

Please join me in reading Psalm 122, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 780.

*The Reader repeats the above information several times.*

- <sup>1</sup> To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- <sup>2</sup> As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their  
masters, \*  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her  
mistress,
- <sup>3</sup> So our eyes look to the Lord our God, \*  
until he show us his mercy.
- <sup>4</sup> Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \*  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- <sup>5</sup> Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*  
and of the derision of the proud.

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*The Second Lesson. The Reader begins*

### **A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians**

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. <sup>3</sup> And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows -- <sup>4</sup> and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup> Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. <sup>7</sup> And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup> Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may

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rest upon me. <sup>10</sup> For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

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* Sing to the Lord and bless his name; \*  
Proclaim the good news of his salvation  
from day to day.

*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 Mark.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went away from that place and came to his own country; and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not

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his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house.” <sup>5</sup> And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands upon a few sick people and healed them. <sup>6</sup> And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> And he called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> And he said to them, “Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them.” <sup>12</sup> So they went out and preached that men should repent. <sup>13</sup> And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them.

*The Minister says*            The Gospel of the Lord.