

**MAY 25, BEDE, THE VENERABLE,  
PRIEST, AND MONK OF JARROW, MAY 25, 735: MASS**

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

**A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon**

May God grant that I speak with judgment and have thoughts worthy of what I have received, for he is the guide even of wisdom and the corrector of the wise. For both we and our words are in his hand, as are all understanding and skill in crafts. For it is he who gave me unerring knowledge of what exists, to know the structure of the world and the activity of the elements; the beginning and end and middle of times, the alternations of the solstices and the changes of the seasons, the cycles of the year and the constellations of the stars, the natures of animals and the tempers of wild beasts, the powers of spirits and the reasonings of men, the varieties of plants and the virtues of roots; I learned both what is secret and what is manifest, for wisdom, the fashioner of all things, taught me.

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

*Please turn the page to lead the appointed psalm.*

## **Psalm 78: 1–8**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 78, verses 1 through 8, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 694.

*(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)*

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 78 as found in the service bulletin.

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; \*  
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; \*  
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,  
and what our forefathers have told us, \*  
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come  
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the  
LORD, \*  
and the wonderful works he has done.

- 5 He gave his decrees to Jacob  
and established a law for Israel, \*  
which he commanded them to teach their  
children;
- 6 That the generations to come might know,  
and the children yet unborn; \*  
that they in their turn might tell it to their  
children;
- 7 So that they might put their trust in God, \*  
and not forget the deeds of God,  
but keep his commandments;
- 8 And not be like their forefathers,  
a stubborn and rebellious generation, \*  
a generation whose heart was not steadfast,  
and whose spirit was not faithful to God.

*Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.*

## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh is of  
no avail; \*  
the words that I have spoken to you are  
spirit and life.

*People* Alleluia.

*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.

Jesus said to his disciples, “The kingdom of heaven is like a net which was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind; when it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into vessels but threw away the bad. So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil

from the righteous, and throw them into the furnace of fire; there men will weep and gnash their teeth. Have you understood all this?” They said to him, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

*The Minister says*            The Gospel of the Lord.