

**JULY 26,
THE PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:
MASS**

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

A'bram

AY-bruhm

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Genesis

When A'bram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to A'bram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly.” Then A'bram fell on his face; and God said to him, “Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be A'bram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come forth from you. And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your

descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you. And I will give to you, and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.”

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 132:11–19

At Said Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 132, verses 11 through 19, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 786.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

At Sung Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 132 as found in the service bulletin.

11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:

12 “A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.

- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for
evermore.”
- 14 For the LORD has chosen Zion; *
he has desired her for his habitation:
- 15 “This shall be my resting-place for ever; *
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
- 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *
and satisfy her poor with bread.
- 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
- 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with
shame; *
but as for him, his crown will shine.”

Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader They looked for the consolation
of Israel, *
and the Holy Spirit was upon them.

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 Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do

not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.