

**NOVEMBER 14,  
CONSECRATION OF SAMUEL SEABURY,  
FIRST AMERICAN BISHOP, 1784: MASS**

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

**A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

## **Psalm 33: 1–6**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 33, verses 1 through 6 found in the red Prayer Book on page 626.

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

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 33 as found in the service bulletin.

- 1 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; \*  
it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the LORD with the harp; \*  
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song; \*  
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the  
trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the LORD is right, \*  
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice; \*  
the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole  
earth.

6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens  
made, \*  
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.

### **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* Go therefore and make disciples of all  
nations, \*  
and lo, I am with you always, to the  
close of the age.

*People* Alleluia.

*The Reader returns to his or her seat.*

*Please turn the page for the Gospel Lesson.*

## 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.

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

*The Minister says*

The Gospel of the Lord.