

## EASTER 4, FRIDAY: MASS

### For use with the First Lesson

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

Pisid'ia

Pi-SID-ee-uh

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

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

Paul continued his discourse in the synagogue at Antioch of Pisid'ia: “Brethren, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you that fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation. For those who live in Jerusalem and their rulers, because they did not recognize him nor understand the utterances of the prophets which are read every sabbath, fulfilled these by condemning him. Though they could charge him with nothing deserving death, yet they asked Pilate to have him killed. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a tomb. But God raised him from the dead; and for many days he appeared to those who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to the people. And we bring you the good news that what God

promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus; as also it is written in the second psalm, ‘Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee.’ ”

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

### **Psalm 2:6–13**

*The Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 2, verses 6 through 13, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 586.

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

- 6    “I myself have set my king \*  
      upon my holy hill of Zion.”
- 7    Let me announce the decree of the LORD: \*  
      he said to me, “You are my Son;  
      this day have I begotten you.
- 8    Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your  
      inheritance \*  
      and the ends of the earth for your possession.
- 9    You shall crush them with an iron rod \*  
      and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”

- 10 And now, you kings, be wise; \*  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Submit to the LORD with fear, \*  
and with trembling bow before him;
- 12 Lest he be angry and you perish; \*  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
- 13 Happy are they all \*  
who take refuge in him!

### **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* I am the way, and the truth, and the life,  
says the Lord; \*  
no one comes to the Father, but by me.

*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 John.

*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the supper before the passover, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.”

*The Minister says*

The Gospel of the Lord.