

## EASTER 7, TUESDAY: MASS

### For use with the First Lesson

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

Mile'tus	mi-LEE-tuhs
Ephesus	EF-uh-sis

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

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

And from Mile'tus Paul sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: “You yourselves know how I lived among you all the time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials which befell me through the plots of the Jews; how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance to God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, bound in the Spirit, not knowing what shall befall me there; except that the Holy Spirit

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testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may accomplish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. And now, behold, I know that all you among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom will see my face no more. Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God.”

*The Reader concludes*    The Word of the Lord.

### **Psalm 68: 14–20**

*The Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 68, verses 14 through 20, found in the red Prayer Book on page 677.

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

14    When the Almighty scattered kings, \*  
      it was like snow falling in Zalmon.

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- 15 O mighty mountain, O hill of Bashan! \*  
O rugged mountain, O hill of Bashan!
- 16 Why do you look with envy, O rugged mountain,  
at the hill which God chose for his resting place? \*  
truly, the LORD will dwell there for ever.
- 17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand,  
even thousands of thousands; \*  
the LORD comes in holiness from Sinai.
- 18 You have gone up on high and led captivity  
captive;  
you have received gifts even from your enemies, \*  
that the LORD God might dwell among them.
- 19 Blessed be the LORD day by day, \*  
the God of our salvation, who bears our  
burdens.
- 20 He is our God, the God of our salvation; \*  
God is the LORD, by whom we escape death.

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

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## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* I will ask the Father, says the Lord, \*  
and he will give you another Advocate,  
to be with you for ever.

*People* Alleluia.

*The Reader then returns to his 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 John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus had spoken these words at the supper before the Passover, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life,

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that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee.”

*The Minister says*            The Gospel of the Lord.

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