The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the
First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glorification. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him,” God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who possess the Spirit. The unspiritual man does not receive the gifts of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual man judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. “For
who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

*The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

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**Psalm 37: 1–7**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 37, verses 1 through 7, found in the red Prayer Book on page 633.

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

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 37 as found in the service bulletin.

1. Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
   do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2. For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
   and like the green grass fade away.

3. Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
   dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

4. Take delight in the LORD, *
   and he shall give you your heart’s desire.
5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust
    in him, *
    and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the
    light *
    and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the LORD *
    and wait patiently for him.

_The Reader says_
Please stand for the Gospel.

**The Gospel Acclamation**
_The Reader leads the appointed acclamation._

- Reader Alleluia.
- People Alleluia.
- Reader Jesus said to them, “Follow me *
    and I will make you fishers of men and
    women.”
- 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 John.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed: “As thou didst send me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth. I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. The glory which thou hast given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and thou in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them even as thou hast loved me.”

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.