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From the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious

OR:

FIRST READING [740.15]

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Peter 4:7b-11

## Beloved:

Be serious and sober-minded so that you will be able to pray. Above all, let your love for one another be intense, because love covers a multitude of sins.

Be hospitable to one another without complaining. As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.

Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** [739.7] Psalm 112 (111):1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7b-8, 9

R. (1) Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

Blessed the man who fears the Lord, who takes great delight in his commandments. His descendants shall be powerful on earth; the generation of the upright will be blest.

**R.** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

Riches and wealth are in his house; his justice stands firm forever. A light rises in the darkness for the upright; he is generous, merciful, and just.

**R.** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

It goes well for the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice.

He shall never be moved; forever shall the just be remembered.

**R.** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart, he trusts in the Lord. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; he will see the downfall of his foes.

**R.** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

Openhanded, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm forever. his might shall be exalted in glory.

**R.** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

## **ALLELUIA VERSE**

See Matthew 11:25 [741.4]

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom.

Or:

Matthew 23:11, 12b [741.6]

The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

**GOSPEL** [742.4]

Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus exclaimed:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father.

No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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