**August 7,**

**John Mason Neale, Priest, 1866: Mass**

**For use with the First Lesson**

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

Teko'a tuh-KOH-uh

Jeho'shaphat ji-HAHSH-uh-fat

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

## A Reading from the

## Second Book of the Chronicles

The people of Judah rose early in the morning and went out into the wilderness of Teko'a; and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, “Hear me, Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem! Believe in the Lord your God, and you will be established; believe his prophets, and you will succeed.” And when he had taken counsel with the people, he appointed those who were to sing to the Lord and praise him in holy array, as they went before the army, and say, “Give thanks to the Lord, for his steadfast love endures for ever.”

*The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

**Psalm 106: 1–5**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 106, verses 1 through 5, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 741.

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

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 106 as found in the service bulletin.

1 Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*

for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord \*

or show forth all his praise?

3 Happy are those who act with justice \*

and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have

for your people, \*

and visit me with your saving help;

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect

and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*

that I may glory with your inheritance.

**The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, \*

because he has anointed me to preach

good news to the poor.

*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 Matthew.

*People*  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net which was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind; when it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into vessels but threw away the bad. So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous, and throw them into the furnace of fire; there men will weep and gnash their teeth. Have you understood all this?” They said to him, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

*The Minister says*  The Gospel of the Lord.