

## Funeral Liturgy

First Reading

### **A reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel**

**12: 1-3**

*(Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.)*

In those days, I Daniel, mourned  
And heard this word of the Lord.

At that time there shall arise Michael,  
the great prince, guardian of your people;  
It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until  
that time.

At that time your people shall escape,  
everyone who is found written in the book.

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake;  
some shall live forever,  
others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.  
But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament,  
and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars  
forever.

The Word of the Lord.