

# Readings: Feria

**First Reading: 1 Tim 2:1-8**

Beloved:

First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity. This is good and pleasing to God our savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. For there is one God. There is also one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as ransom for all.

This was the testimony at the proper time. For this I was appointed preacher and Apostle (I am speaking the truth, I am not lying), teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. It is my wish, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.

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## Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 28:2,7,8-9](#)

**R/ Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my prayer.**

Hear the sound of my pleading, when I cry to you,  
lifting up my hands toward your holy shrine.

**R/ Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my prayer.**

The LORD is my strength and my shield.  
In him my heart trusts, and I find help;  
then my heart exults, and with my song I give him thanks.

**R/ Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my prayer.**

The LORD is the strength of his people,  
the saving refuge of his anointed.  
Save your people, and bless your inheritance;  
feed them, and carry them forever!

**R/ Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my prayer.**

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**Gospel Reading: Luke 7:1-10**

When Jesus had finished teaching to the people, he went to Capernaum.

There was a captain whose servant was very sick and near to death, a man very dear to him. So when he heard about Jesus, he sent some elders of the Jews to persuade him to come and save his servant's life. The elders came to Jesus and begged him earnestly, saying, "He deserves this of you, for he loves our people

and even built a synagogue for us."

Jesus went with them. He was not far from the house when the captain sent friends to give this message: "Sir, do not trouble yourself for I am not worthy to welcome you under my roof. You see I didn't approach you myself. Just give the order and my servant will be healed. For I myself, a junior officer, give orders to my soldiers and I say to this one: 'Go,' and he goes; and to the other: 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant: 'Do this,' and he does it."

On hearing these words, Jesus was filled with admiration. He turned and said to the people with him, "I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such great faith." The people sent by the captain went back to his house; there they found that the servant was well.

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