

# Readings: Feria

## First Reading: Zec 8:1-8

This word of the LORD of hosts came:

Thus says the LORD of hosts:

I am intensely jealous for Zion,  
stirred to jealous wrath for her.  
Thus says the LORD:  
I will return to Zion,  
and I will dwell within Jerusalem;  
Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city,  
and the mountain of the LORD of hosts,  
the holy mountain.

Thus says the LORD of hosts: Old men and old women, each  
with staff in hand because of old age, shall again sit in the  
streets of Jerusalem. The city shall be filled with boys and girls  
playing in its streets. Thus says the LORD of hosts: Even if this  
should seem impossible in the eyes of the remnant of this  
people, shall it in those days be impossible in my eyes also,  
says the LORD of hosts? Thus says the LORD of hosts: Lo, I will  
rescue my people from the land of the rising sun, and from the  
land of the setting sun. I will bring them back to dwell within  
Jerusalem. They shall be my people, and I will be their God,

with faithfulness and justice.

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## Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 2 and 22-23

**R/ The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.**

The nations shall revere your name, O LORD,  
and all the kings of the earth your glory.  
When the LORD has rebuilt Zion  
and appeared in his glory,  
When he has regarded the prayer of the destitute,  
and not despised their prayer.

**R/ The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.**

Let this be written for the generation to come,  
and let his future creatures praise the LORD:  
"The LORD looked down from his holy height,  
from heaven he beheld the earth,  
To hear the groaning of the prisoners,  
to release those doomed to die."

**R/ The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.**

The children of your servants shall abide,  
and their posterity shall continue in your presence.  
That the name of the LORD may be declared in Zion;  
and his praise, in Jerusalem,  
When the peoples gather together,  
and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.

**R/ The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.**

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## Gospel Reading: Luke 9:46-50

One day the disciples were arguing about which of them was the most important. But Jesus knew their thoughts, so he took a little child and stood him by his side. Then he said to them, "Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me, welcomes the one who sent me. And listen: the one who is

found to be the least among you all, is the one who is the greatest."

Then John spoke up, "Master, we saw someone who drove out demons by calling upon your name, and we tried to forbid him because he doesn't follow you with us." But Jesus said, "Don't forbid him. He who is not against you is for you."

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