

# Readings: Feria

First Reading: Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5

The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to him,  
to show his servants what must happen soon.  
He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John,  
who gives witness to the word of God  
and to the testimony of Jesus Christ by reporting what he saw.  
Blessed is the one who reads aloud  
and blessed are those who listen to this prophetic message  
and heed what is written in it, for the appointed time is near.  
John, to the seven churches in Asia: grace to you and peace  
from him who is and who was and who is to come,  
and from the seven spirits before his throne.  
I heard the Lord saying to me:  
"To the angel of the Church in Ephesus, write this:  
"The one who holds the seven stars in his right hand  
and walks in the midst of the seven gold lampstands says this:  
"I know your works, your labor, and your endurance,  
and that you cannot tolerate the wicked;  
you have tested those who call themselves Apostles but are not,  
and discovered that they are impostors.  
Moreover, you have endurance and have suffered for my name,  
and you have not grown weary.  
Yet I hold this against you:  
you have lost the love you had at first.  
Realize how far you have fallen.  
Repent, and do the works you did at first.  
Otherwise, I will come to you  
and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6

R/ Those who are victorious I will feed from the tree of life.

Blessed the man who follows not  
the counsel of the wicked  
Nor walks in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the company of the insolent.  
But delights in the law of the Lord  
and meditates on his law day and night.  
R/ Those who are victorious I will feed from the tree of life.

He is like a tree  
planted near running water,  
That yields its fruit in due season,  
and whose leaves never fade.  
Whatever he does, prospers.  
R/ Those who are victorious I will feed from the tree of life.

Not so the wicked, not so;  
they are like chaff which the wind drives away.  
For the Lord watches over the way of the just,  
but the way of the wicked vanishes.  
R/ Those who are victorious I will feed from the tree of life.

Gospel Reading: Lk 18:35-43

When Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the road, begging. As he heard the crowd passing by, he inquired what it was, and they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was going by. Then he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" The people in front scolded him, "Be quiet!" but he cried out all the more,

"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Jesus stopped and ordered the blind man to be brought to him, and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the man said, "Lord, that I may see!" Jesus said, "Receive your sight, your faith has saved you." At once the blind man was able to see, and he followed Jesus, giving praise to God. And all the people who were there also praised God.

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