

Liturgy Alive of Feria

Opening Prayer

Lord our God,
when your Son was transfigured
you gave eyes of faith to the apostles
to see beyond appearances
and to recognize Jesus as your beloved Son.
This vision gave them courage for the hour of trial.
When our faith and trust
seem to desert us in dark moments,
let your Son take us up to the mountain
and give us a glimpse of his light,
that with fresh courage and generosity,
we may see where he wants us to go.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

First Reading Introduction: By faith we understand that the universe was ordered by the word of God.

The Lectionary takes today an excerpt from the Letter to the Hebrews that praises the faith of the holy persons from the first pages of the Old Testament.

Gospel Introduction: Jesus was transfigured before them.

After he has announced his coming suffering and answered Peter's protest, Jesus is transfigured before the eyes of his intimate friends among the apostles who will also watch his agony in the garden. This is how he strengthens their faith. Then, he speaks again with them about his approaching passion. Let us ask the Lord in this Eucharist to give us courage in difficult moments.

General Intercessions

- For trust, that God is near to us in our deepest loneliness and in all trials, we pray:
- For courage and constancy, that we may keep doing what is right and good even if it demands pain and effort, we pray:
- For open hearts and hands for all those who suffer, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,
all we see before us is
a piece of bread and a cup of wine.
Yet we believe that soon they will be changed
into your Son among us.
Let him come alive in us
and guide us by his Holy Spirit,
that with him, we may hear your call
and go through the hardships and joys of life

with faces lit up by hope,
and by the certainty that you have prepared for us
a glory and happiness that will last for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Lord our God, in this Eucharist,
we have seen a glimpse of your Son's glory
in the love shown us at his table
and in his encouraging words.
Let our lives reflect his light and life,
that each of us may be to his sisters and brothers
a firm support and a helping hand
and a road sign on the way to you,
our God, for ever and ever.

Blessing

May the Lord give us in difficult moments a glimpse of his deep love and nearness, and may we too, brighten the face of people in their troubles with a word and a smile of sympathy and warmth. May Almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.