

# Liturgy Alive of Feria

## Opening Prayer

Lord God, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, your living Word  
you address yourself today  
to each of us personally  
and as a community of faith.  
May we live as we believe  
as hearers and doers of your word,  
and like you and your Son,  
be compassionate and care  
often for those neglected by society,  
the needy, the abandoned, the distressed.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

### Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading Introduction

James tells us that if we believe in a message of life and hope, real faith and real worship of God consist in doing what we believe in, and in reflecting in our attitude and deeds God's love for us by being concerned about people far and near, especially those who are neglected and suffer much. Is this the kind of faith we have?

## Gospel Introduction

The theme of yesterday is continued in today's reading. We should not ask for extraordinary signs but learn to see God's presence and saving action in the events of life. The apostles have seen the signs Jesus worked among them. We too, should open our eyes and ears to the good things God does among us.

## General Intercessions

- For the Church, that like Christ it may preach the Good News to the poor and set the downtrodden free, we pray:
  - For our friends and enemies in need, that we may open our hearts and hands to improve their lot and to restore their faith in the justice and friendship of people, we pray:
- For those who live in abundance, that they may become more concerned about the needy and the quality of life than about amassing more wealth, we pray:

### Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,  
the message of Jesus, your Son,  
became flesh and blood in his life and death.  
He lived as he taught.  
In this bread and this wine,  
we place ourselves and our willingness  
to let his death and life  
become flesh and blood in us,  
that we may proclaim by what we are and do  
  
that he is our Lord and Savior for ever.

### Prayer after Communion

Lord our God,  
we have listened to your Son  
and joined him in his thanks and praise to you.  
Come to the aid of our frailty  
and let Jesus bring you through us  
the pure, unspoiled worship  
of helping our brothers and sisters in need  
and of breaking the bonds of evil,  
that we may be free with the freedom  
  
of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

## Blessing

Among the signs of God, we have to learn to see the destitute, about whom Jesus says, "What you do to the least of your brothers and sisters, you do to me." They are Jesus for us. May God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit