

Liturgy Alive of Feria

Opening Prayer

Living God,
you are the God of the covenant
of life and loyal love.
Keep us in your love
and keep the promise of life
which you have given us
through your Son, Jesus Christ.
Let his life gush forth in us,
fully and richly,
until it blooms forth into life without end.

We ask this in the name of Christ, our Lord.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Introduction

For a few days, we shall hear excerpts from Paul's second letter to Timothy. It is ascribed to Paul but probably written by his disciple or scribe. It insists on the role of both priests and laity to serve the Gospel without fear.

Gospel Introduction

With arguments that are a bit difficult to follow, Jesus upholds the resurrection of the dead. God is a God of the living; his promises are not given in vain. Jesus is harsh with those who are interested in religion for the sake of arguing about doctrine but are not interested in faith.

General Intercessions

– That we may keep up the good fight against all that is deadly to Christian life: dehumanizing kinds of labor, suppression of freedom, paralyzing fear, love that is destroyed, we pray:
– That our beloved dead may live on in the life they gave us, in the good we do, and in the intimate love of God himself, we pray:

– That all suffering and dying people may share in our resurrection faith and find strength in the knowledge that God loves them in life and beyond death, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,
your Son Jesus Christ, has brought us
the good news of life and immortality.
Through your Holy Spirit of power and life,
let this bread and wine become
the body and blood of your Son,
that we may overcome death with Jesus
and that we may live his risen life
until you let us share
in the fullness of your glory and happiness

for ever and ever.

Prayer after Communion

God of the living,
by the strength of this Eucharist,
fan in us the flame of your gifts.
Change us, timid people,
into people of courage,
fully alive, unafraid and not ashamed
to bear witness before all who want to see
and hear your Good News
about our Lord, Jesus Christ,

your Son and our Savior for ever.

Blessing

Some groups of the early Christian community called themselves "the living ones." Our faith, our sharing in the resurrection of Christ, makes us living people, who live for life without end. May God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.