

# Liturgy Alive of Feria

## Opening Prayer

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

We know that there are poor people  
and that there are people suffering  
from injustice and the hard-heartedness of others.  
Do not allow us to remain indifferent to their plight  
but give us the courage to share with the needy  
and to be the voice of the voiceless.  
Make our faith deep and committed,  
that you may recognize us  
as real brothers and sisters,

of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading Introduction

Our destiny in life is to be images of Christ, people who resemble him more and more. If we are open to the Spirit, he will help us to become more and more like Christ and he will pray in us.

# Gospel Introduction

For disciples of Christ, it is not enough to know about the Lord or to come to Mass to eat with the Lord or to read the Bible. As Jesus tells us in many ways throughout the gospel, we must live as his disciples and put his word into practice. Otherwise it is as if we did not know him and he does not know us.

# General Intercessions

– For the Church, that it may never stop proclaiming the gospel to all peoples, languages and cultures, we pray:

– For the unity of all Christians, that they may not remain enclosed within their particularities and human traditions but may enrich one another in Christ, we pray:

– For our Christian communities, that we may be united; that no one is made to feel a stranger among us and that we may be open to one another and to all, we pray:

## Prayer over the Gifts

Our loving God,

let this bread and wine  
that we bring before you  
be tokens and strong affirmations  
that we are ready to share our food and joy  
with those who need them.  
Let our love and generosity  
become a way of saying thanks to you  
for everything you have given us  
freely and abundantly

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Prayer after Communion

Generous God,

your Son Jesus has let us eat and drink with him  
and he has spoken to us his message of life.  
We have eagerly listened to him.  
Help us now to live eagerly by his words  
and to learn from him to open our doors and our hearts  
to anyone who appeals to us,  
that you may also open the door to us  
when we knock and ask you to admit us

into your home of everlasting joy.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

#### **Blessing**

The message of Jesus is good news for everyone. May it also become and remain good news for each of us when we put our heart in it by putting it into practice. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.