

Liturgy Alive of Feria

Introduction

The first reading comes from an insert in Isaiah that was written in a later period. It speaks of God's judgment and the victory of God over "cities" of sin. But Jerusalem, God's community, God's city, will stand. Those faithful to God can rely on him: he is faithful and solid as a rock.

Those who accept the call and challenge of Jesus' words by living as his disciples are building on rock. This is true both for the individual disciple and for the community of the Church.

Opening Prayer

Lord our God,
to those who trust in you
and live the gospel of your Son,
you are a dependable rock.
In the storms and tensions of our times,
may our faith never waver,
but give us the courage
to live as we believe,
consistently, radically,
that with your Son we may do your will
and live in your love now and for ever.

Liturgy of the Word

General Intercessions

- That people may find in the faith and love of our Christian communities the support to be faithful to God and to one another, we pray:
 - That people who suffer may keep putting their hope in God and find strength in the crucified Christ, we pray:
 - That we may learn to trust and rely on one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,
accept this bread and this cup
as a token that with your Son
we wish to rely on you.
Give us the Spirit of your Son,
that we may not be swept away
by every fad or novelty.
Keep our faith and trust rooted in you,
and help us to live accordingly,
through Jesus Christ.

Prayer after Communion

Lord our God,
thank you for speaking to us
in the words and deeds of your Son
and strengthening us with his body.
Grant us the wisdom
of a quiet, solid faith
that makes us live as we believe
and which prompts us to support one another
on the way to you.
May we thus give a bit of certainty
to those among us who waver and seek.
We ask you this through Christ our Lord.

Blessing

Build your house on rock. Build your life on the Lord and the gospel and you will never be disappointed, for God loves you and stays with you. May God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.