

# Readings: Feria

First Reading: [Jude 17,20b-25](#)

Beloved, remember the words spoken beforehand  
by the Apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit.  
Keep yourselves in the love of God  
and wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ  
that leads to eternal life.  
On those who waver, have mercy;  
save others by snatching them out of the fire;  
on others have mercy with fear,  
abhorring even the outer garment stained by the flesh.  
To the one who is able to keep you from stumbling  
and to present you unblemished and exultant,  
in the presence of his glory,  
to the only God, our savior,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
be glory, majesty, power, and authority  
from ages past, now, and for ages to come. Amen.

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Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6](#)

**R/ My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God whom I seek;  
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts  
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

**R/ My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary  
to see your power and your glory.  
For your kindness is a greater good than life;  
my lips shall glorify you.

**R/ My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

Thus will I bless you while I live;  
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.  
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,  
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

**R/ My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

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Gospel Reading: [Mark 11:27-33](#)

Jesus and his disciples returned once more to Jerusalem.  
As he was walking in the temple area,  
the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders  
approached him and said to him,  
"By what authority are you doing these things?  
Or who gave you this authority to do them?"  
Jesus said to them, "I shall ask you one question.  
Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.  
Was John's baptism of heavenly or of human origin? Answer me."  
They discussed this among themselves and said,  
"If we say, 'Of heavenly origin,' he will say,  
'Then why did you not believe him?'  
But shall we say, 'Of human origin?'"—  
they feared the crowd,  
for they all thought John really was a prophet.  
So they said to Jesus in reply, "We do not know."  
Then Jesus said to them,

"Neither shall I tell you by what authority I do these things."

