

READINGS

St James', Southbroom

Sunday 12 February 2017

Daily Readings

<u>Monday 13th</u> Ecclesiastes 1	Psalm 44 John 17:1-5
<u>Tuesday 14th</u> Ecclesiastes 2	Psalm 48 John 17:6-19
<u>Wednesday 15th</u> Ecclesiastes 3:1-15	Psalm 119:57-80 John 17:20-end
<u>Thursday 16th</u> Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:end	Psalm 57 John 18:1-11
<u>Friday 17th</u> Ecclesiastes 5	Psalm 51 John 18:12-27
<u>Saturday 18th</u> Ecclesiastes 6	Psalm 68 John 18:28-end
<u>Sunday 19th</u> Proverbs 8:1,22-31	Psalm 148 Revelation 4

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Collect – Third Sunday Before Lent

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ you Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,
that those who came to him should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Matthew 6:5-15

⁵“And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ⁷And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹“This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
¹⁰ your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.
¹² And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
¹³ And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.’

¹⁴For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*” ¹⁶The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. ¹⁷Now if we are children, then we are heirs - heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.