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St James', Southbroom

Sunday 18 June 2017

Daily Readings

<u>Monday 19th</u> Job 13	Psalms 30 Romans 7:1-6
<u>Tuesday 20th</u> Job 14	Psalms 36 Romans 7:7-end
<u>Wednesday 21st</u> Job 15	Psalms 34 Romans 8:1-11
<u>Thursday 22nd</u> Job 16:1-17:2	Psalms 37 Romans 8:12-17
<u>Friday 23rd</u> Job 17:3-end	Psalms 31 Romans 8:18-30
<u>Saturday 24th</u> Isaiah 40:1-11	Psalms 85:7-end Acts 13:14b-26
<u>Sunday 25th</u> 1 Samuel 24:1-17	Psalms 46 Luke 14:12-24

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Collect – First Sunday After Trinity

O God,
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in keeping your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
through Jesus Christ your 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

Eternal Father,
We thank you for nourishing us
With these heavenly gifts:
May our communion strengthen us in faith,
Build us up in hope,
And make us grow in love;
For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Romans 12:1-3

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship. ²Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will.

³For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

Mark 12:28-end

⁸One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

²⁹"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself. 'There is no commandment greater than these."

³²"Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. ³³To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

Mark 12:28-end (cont'd)

³⁴When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

³⁵While Jesus was teaching in the temple courts, he asked, "Why do the teachers of the law say that the Messiah is the son of David? ³⁶David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared:

"The Lord said to my Lord:

"Sit at my right hand

until I put your enemies

under your feet."

³⁷David himself calls him 'Lord.' How then can he be his son?"

The large crowd listened to him with delight.

³⁸As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets. ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

⁴¹Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴²But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

⁴³Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything - all she had to live on."