

READINGS

St James', Southbroom

Sunday 21 August 2016

Daily Readings

Monday 22nd Psalm 126
2 Samuel 18:1-18 Acts 10:34-end

Tuesday 23rd Psalm 132
2 Samuel 18:19-19:8a Acts 11:1-18

Wednesday 24th Psalm 86
Genesis 28:10-17 John 1:43-end

Thursday 25th Psalm 143
2 Samuel 19:24-end Acts 12:1-17

Friday 26th Psalm 144
2 Samuel 23:1-7 Acts 12:18-end

Saturday 27th Psalm 147
2 Samuel 24 Acts 13:1-12

Sunday 28th Psalm 119:81-96
Isaiah 33:13-22 John 3:22-36

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Collect - Thirteenth Sunday After

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Exodus 1:15-21

¹⁵ The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, ¹⁶ “When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live.” ¹⁷ The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. ¹⁸ Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, “Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?”

¹⁹ The midwives answered Pharaoh, “Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive.”

²⁰ So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own.

Matthew 8:18-22

¹⁸ When Jesus saw the crowd around him, he gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake. ¹⁹ Then a teacher of the law came to him and said, “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”

²⁰ Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”

²¹ Another disciple said to him, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.”

²² But Jesus told him, “Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead.”