

Daily Readings

From Monday 9th September 2019



Daily Readings

<u>Monday 9th Sept</u> Micah 7:1-7	Psalm 98 Mark 6:45-end
<u>Tuesday 10th Sept</u> Micah 7:8-end	Psalm 106 Mark 7:1-13
<u>Wednesday 11th Sept</u> Habakkuk 1:1-11	Psalm 111 Mark 7:14-23
<u>Thursday 12th Sept</u> Habakkuk 1:12-2:5	Psalm 115 Mark 7:24-30
<u>Friday 13th Sept</u> Habakkuk 2:6-end	Psalm 139 Mark 7:31-end
<u>Saturday 14th Sept, Holy Cross Day</u> Genesis 3:1-15	Psalms 2, 8, 146 John 12:27-36a
<u>Sunday 15th Sept</u> Isaiah 44:24-45:8	Psalms 126, 127 Revelation 12:1-12

Readings and Prayers

Sunday 8th September 2019

Collect

Lord God, we place at the centre of our lives King Jesus.
We do everything through him, in him, and with him.
There is no other way,
His journey from heaven to earth means we don't have to travel at all.
His obedience through death and out the other side means we are welcomed into your throne room, where you love us to ask for all that we need. Up close so we don't have to shout.
We can only wonder and marvel with stunned and grateful hearts.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
King Jesus is the story you have asked us to tell.
He is our story, we are his.
It doesn't matter what our motives are we need to speak of Him, to whisper into the ears of those who are blind and dying that there is no beginning or ending to your love.
In him we breathe in forgiveness and hope.
Transformed by his blood we breathe out compassion and love.
We can only wonder and marvel with stunned and grateful hearts. **Amen.**

Philippians 1:12-26

¹²Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

¹⁵It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defence of the gospel. ¹⁷The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. ¹⁸But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, ¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. ²⁰I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

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Philippians 1:12-26 Continued

²¹For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²²If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labour for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! ²³I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; ²⁴but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.