

## Scripture Reading

for

July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020



### Romans 8: 12-25

- <sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—
- <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.
- <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.
- <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”
- <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
- <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.
- <sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.
- <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God;
- <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope
- <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.
- <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;
- <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.
- <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?
- <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.