

NOTICES FOR EASTER WEEK

Today	10:00am-11:30am –Third Sunday of Easter – HC + Sunday School + Independent Young People Group in choir room
Tues 17 Apr	7:00am – Morning Prayer 7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer and Meditation
Weds 18 Apr	10am-10.45 Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful
Thurs 19 Apr	4:00-5:00pm – Elmwood Care Home – Thanksgiving Service
Friday 20 Apr	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 8:00pm – 9:00pm – Choir Practice – all are welcome
Sat 21 Apr	10am-11am - Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings 11:00am – 12:00pm – Safeguarding Team Meeting in church
Sun 22 Apr	10:00am-11:30am – St Georges Day -Fourth Sunday of Easter – HC + Sunday School 12 noon – APCM - in church – everyone from church is invited

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“Repentance is mentioned seventy times in the New Testament . . . the Bible says God commands repentance . . . it is a command . . .

God says, “Repent! Or perish!”

— **Billy Graham, Billy Graham in Quotes**

“His crucifixion is the key; His resurrection is the door... it is only by his death that we have the mandate to enter into the gates of eternal life. His doors are open always. Christ is king!”

— **Israelmore Ayivor, The Great Hand Book of Quotes**

“Restoration and hope is available each time you return to God.”

— **Jim George**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

15th April 2018

HYMN 1: 139– Rejoice the Lord is King

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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**

OT Reading – Zephaniah 3: 14-20– Efu

¹⁴ Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

¹⁵ The Lord has taken away the judgments against you,

he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;

you shall fear disaster no more.

¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion;

do not let your hands grow weak.

¹⁷ The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness,

he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing

¹⁸ as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you,

so that you will not bear reproach for it.

¹⁹ I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

²⁰ At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes

before your eyes, says the Lord.

Psalm 4: 1-9

Cum invocarem.

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour : and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly : when I call upon the Lord he will hear me.

4 Stand in awe, and sin not : commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness : and put your trust in the Lord.

6 There be many that say : Who will show us any good?

7 Lord, lift thou up: the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn and wine and oil increased.

9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

NT Reading – Acts 3: 12-19 – Christine

¹²When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Hymn 2: 258 – Author of life divine

Gospel – Luke 24: 36b-48

³⁶While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

INTERCESSIONS – Marie

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For Syria and world tensions surrounding it.

- For privacy & data issues in social media

- For Croydon and London’s issue of increasing street crime.

- For the care of animals and pets.

- For those recovering from addiction

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:

David and Valerie Ryland, all who live at 44 Kimberley Rd, Rose Lawrence & family, Jignasha Patel, Lyn Edwards, Natalie, Jennifer, Sheila Richardson, Girish, Tiku Amin, Brenda, baby Teddy, Enid Jackson, Ethel Miller, Pat & Enid Robinson, Sam Barker, Mrs Trotman, Bradley, Bridget Alvin, Josephine Walters, Coleen, Christine C, The Mendez family, Tessa Carter, Ina Parkinson, Tony, Noel Scarlett, Irene Myton, Ron Thurgood, Avril Ward, our families, relatives and close friends and all those known to us

We pray for all those mourning at this time especially Mitzi whose sister-in-law has passed away in Guyana.

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For rain that gives us water and the promise of sunshine!

- For a wonderful Holy Week & Easter, well attended and deepening spirituality
- For the work of our PCC secretary Pearl
- For Fr Younis who took the service last week

Offertory 70 – It is a thing most wonderful

Communion Hymns.

**Choir – This joyful Eastertide
63 – My song is love unknown**

Post Communion Prayer

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon
Where there is doubt, faith
Where there is despair, hope
Where there is darkness, light
Where there is sadness, joy
O Divine Master, grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Hymn 6 : 345 – Christ is the King