

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today - 10am Twitter Service – Sermon by Reader James

Mon 27 April 11.45am Funeral of Ionie Smith

Weds morning Big Email with reflection by Revd Catherine

Sunday Big Email & 10am Twitter service with sermon by Revd Darius

As you know Revd Darius was 'priested' last June
– so that means he can Preside at Holy Communion
– he has already done so at a previous church
– but he needs now to learn the Holy Saviour way of doing it
– every church is a bit different!
- So we have done a bit of training and he's practicing at home!!
He'll be starting gently next week Weds morning service by video....we wish God's Grace.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"Some things have to be believed to be seen."

— **Madeleine L'Engle**

"The eye sees only what the mind is prepared to comprehend."

— **Robertson Davies, Tempest-Tost**

"For those who believe, no proof is necessary. For those who don't believe, no proof is possible."

— **Stuart Chase**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Third Sunday of Easter

26th April 2020

HYMN 1: 1 – Awake my soul and with the sun

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

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 116:1-3, 10-17

Dilexi, quoniam

I am well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my

bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

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 2:14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, ³⁶Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah this Jesus whom you crucified.” ³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” ³⁸Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Hymn 2: 139 – Rejoice the Lord is King

Gospel – Luke 24: 13-35

¹³Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and

talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered Him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” ¹⁹He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” ²⁵Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if

he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

INTERCESSIONS –

We Pray Especially This Week for:

-We pray for all those grieving and mourning at this time.

-All those working in hospitals and in care homes.

-For funeral directors and all who work at cemeteries.

-For children and young people coping with these strange times,

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit: *Pearl and her colleagues, Darius's mother-in-law Trisha, Veronica's sister-in-law Ruby, Cousin Zen, Cousin Michael, Geraldine, Gordon, Feyemi, all those at 44 Kimberley Rd and Christopher, Maria, Alison, Miriam, Brenda, Denise M, Ernestine, Simon and Samantha, Pat, Mona, Tinashé, Girish, Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril. And all those we love*

✠ The souls of Ionie, Beverley's mother Leila, Cordelia and Denise's Aunt Stella. And the souls of all 19,000+

We Give Thanks and Praise for:

For the beautiful weather and lighter days of this season.

For the gift of life and each new day

For our families near and far.

For the unfailing hard work of our Treasurer Barbara

Mitzi's daughter's 42nd birthday and all those with birthday's this month.

**Offertory Hymn: 345 – Christ is the King
Communion Hymns.**

HHS47 I am the bread of life

473– I come with joy to meet my Lord

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 : 172 – Glorious things of Thee are spoken