# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Holy Cross Day Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021

# HYMN 1-139-Rejoice the Lord is King

#### **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### **Amen**

# OT Reading – Numbers 21: 4-9 – Barbara

<sup>4</sup> From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup> The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." <sup>6</sup> Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. 8 And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and

everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." <sup>9</sup> So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

#### Psalm 22: vv 23-28

<sup>23</sup> O praise the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;

<sup>24</sup> For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor: he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
<sup>25</sup> My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform

in the sight of them that fear him.
<sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied:
they that seek after the Lord shall
praise him; your heart shall live for
ever.

<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
<sup>28</sup> For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the people.

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 – Philippians 2: 5-11 Sue

- <sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
- <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
- but emptied himself,
   taking the form of a slave,
   being born in human likeness.
   And being found in human form,
- 8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.
- <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,
- <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,<sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

# Hymn 2: 214 – Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer

# Gospel - John 3: 13-17 - Marie

- <sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.
- <sup>14</sup> And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
- <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
- <sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
- <sup>17</sup> "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



#### INTERCESSIONS - Barbara

# We Pray Especially This Week:

- For all readjusting to the 'new normal both in Church and in our daily lives, that we may all keep faith and hope in this Covid time.
- For those children struggling in their new schools or classes
- For our church during the uncertainty of Interregnum

 For the clergy helping us to grow as Christians – we pray today for our Archdeacon The Venerable Rosemarie Mallet

We Pray for those Unwell in Body,
Mind or Spirit: Jean, Sarah's mother
Feodora and cousin Mathilda, Juliet,
Veronica F's friend, Macknes family,
Henry, Evonne, Matt, Tabitha's aunt,
Brenda, Viv, Stephanie, Cyril & Janet,
Minnie, Alexander, Trisha, Cousin
Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road &
Christopher, Miriam, Denise M,
Ernestine, Simon & Samantha, Girish,
Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ina,
Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril and all
we know and love

We lift to you Lord, the souls of all who have died of Covid +May light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. — We pray for all who are mourning

#### We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For the improved weather
- For the Licensing of Revd Catherine in Dover
- For Craig as he gets to grips with the Hall and its users
- For teachers everywhere and those who help them develop young people through education and training
- For Mix and Mingle that started up again yesterday

Offertory Hymn: 141 The head that

Communion Hymns: 67 When I survey the wondrous cross & HHS 50 - Be still my soul

## **Post Communion Prayer**

O Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, 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 - 75 - The Day of Resurrection

#### NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Tues 14 Sept 7.30pm-8.30pm: Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation

In church – led by Craig and Christine

Weds 15 Sept 10am-11am: Holy Communion or The Litany

5.30pm: Deanery Citizens - Convened by Mother Joyce - all

**Deanery members** 

Thurs 16 Sept 7.00pm: PCC Meeting – In the hall

Sat 18 Sept 10am-10.30am: Prayers for Healing & Wholeness - SPA Marie

& Sue

**Sat 18 Sept 10am-11.30am: Holy Dusters & Parish Office** for baptisms

(Christenings), Weddings and all bookings

Sun 19 Sept 10:00am-11:30am: Trinity 15 – Matthew the Apostle – HC +

Sunday School + YPIG – Presiding TBC, Preaching by

Reader Peter Graystone

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK- chosen by Barbara

"These are the few ways we can practice humility:

To speak as little as possible of one's self.

To mind one's own business.

Not to want to manage other people's affairs.

To avoid curiosity.

To accept contradictions and correction cheerfully.

To pass over the mistakes of others.

To accept insults and injuries.

To accept being slighted, forgotten and disliked.

To be kind and gentle even under provocation.

Never to stand on one's dignity.

To choose always the hardest."

# — Mother Teresa, The Joy in Loving: A Guide to Daily Living

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