

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

BIBLE SUNDAY

24th October 2021

HYMN 1- 146 When morning gilds the skies

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:1-11 Craig

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that
which is not bread, and your labour for
that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is
good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting
covenant, my steadfast, sure love for
David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the
peoples, a leader and commander for the
peoples. ⁵ See, you shall call nations that
you do not know, and nations that do not
know you shall run to you, because of the
Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for
he has glorified you.

⁶ Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord, that he may
have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly
pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the
earth, so are my ways higher than your
ways and my thoughts than your
thoughts.

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come
down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have
watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the
eater,

¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from
my mouth; it shall not return to me
empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I
purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent
it.

PSALM FOR THE DAY – 19:7-14

Caeli enarrant

⁷ The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul : the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

⁸ The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever : the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

¹¹ Moreover, by them is thy servant taught : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

¹² Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.

¹³ Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me : so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be always acceptable in thy sight,

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Timothy 3:14-4.5 – Pearl

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it,

¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is^[a] useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ⁴ In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Hymn 2 – 509 Rise and hear

GOSPEL READING

John 5 : 36-47 - Mitzi

³⁶ But I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. ³⁷ And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, ³⁸ and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

³⁹ “You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. ⁴⁰ Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. ⁴¹ I do not accept glory from human beings. ⁴² But I know that you do not have the love of God in [a] you. ⁴³ I have come in my Father’s name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. ⁴⁴ How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? ⁴⁵ Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶ If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. ⁴⁷ But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?”

We Pray Especially This Week For:

*The family of Sir David Amess
Those affected by the changing weather
Those who have no families*

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit

*John J, Jean, Sarah’s mother Feodora,
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 those we know and love*

***We lift to you Lord, the souls of Mathilda
and Rosetta***

***+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:

*Those we love and those who love us
Our Deanery and its churches and clergy –
Rev Hilary here today
Our Community*

**Offertory Hymn – 166 – Lord Thy word
abideth**

The Hymns during Communion are

**490 Lord I have made Thy Word
373 – Help us O Lord to learn**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed
the hungry with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly
grace, and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

The 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 6 202 Let All the World in Every
Corner Sing**

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today	Please write the names of any loved ones lost this year on the list at the rear of the church 12 noon – FAT Meeting
Mon 25 Oct	12 noon – Funeral of Rosetta Louise Stewart in church
Tues 26 Oct	7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer with mindfulness and meditation – Zoom – led by Craig and Christine
Weds 27 Oct	10am-10.45am Midweek Service in Church
Thurs 28 Oct	7.30pm Bible Study on Zoom, led by James
Sat 30 Oct	10am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness 10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings 11.30am-12.30pm Bereavement Café
Sun 31 Oct	10.00am Holy Communion Service – All Saints – Right Revd Jonathan Clark, Bishop of Croydon, presiding and preaching – <i>Please try to arrive early!</i> 4pm – All Souls Service – Revd Myles Owen

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK - chosen by Barbara

“Reading the Bible will help you get to know the word, but it’s when you put it down and live your life that you get to know the author.”
— ***Steve Maraboli, Life, the Truth, and Being Free***

“All that I am I owe to Jesus Christ, revealed to me in His divine Book.”
— ***David Livingstone***

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope.”
— ***Jeremiah***

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