

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Fourth Sunday before Lent

Sunday 6th February 2022

HYMN 1: 162 – Jesus where'er thy people

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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 – Isaiah 6: 1-8 Sarah

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted

out." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Psalm 138 vv 1-8

Confitebor tibi

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

² I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

³ When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

⁵ Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

⁸ The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

*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 – 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
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Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Hymn 2: 115 – Dear Lord and Father

Gospel – Luke 5: 1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵ Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

INTERCESSIONS – Mitzi

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For volunteers everywhere- especially those in our church
- For our church congregation
- For people in Ukraine and Afghanistan
- For those struggling with debt

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

Janet J, Stephen McBean, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora, 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, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril and all those we know and love

We lift to you Lord, the soul of Veronica's cousin Tashan 32 .Please pray for his mother Sharon and his brother Kadeem
+May light perpetual shine upon him,
May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

– We pray for all who are mourning

We Give Thanks and Praise :

- For Rev Ada as she ministers to us
- For our churchwardens and PCC
- For children struggling with school
- For the springing up of flowers heralding warmer weather

Offertory –HHS 84 I the Lord of sea and sky

Communion Hymns.

HHS 53 – Brother Sister let me serve you

403– Now let us from this table

Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

Final Hymn: HHS 77 – And can it be

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

- Today** **10.00am-11.30am – 4th Sunday before + Sunday School – Revd Ada** presiding and preaching
- Tues 8 Feb** **7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation**
- Weds 9 Feb** **10am-10.45am** Midweek service in church
- Thurs 10 Feb** **7.30pm-8.30pm** Zoom Bible Study, led by James
- Sat 12 Feb** **10.00am-10.30am** Prayers for Healing & Wholeness
10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings
2pm-4pm Seniors Mix & Mingle in the hall
- Sun 13 Feb** **10am-11.30am – 3rd Sunday before Lent**

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“While churches are looking for decisions, Jesus is looking for disciples.”

“Jesus didn’t take these men and immediately throw them into leadership. Jesus instead walked with them, prayed with them, and disciplined them.”

Both quotes from— Jonathan Hayashi, Ordinary Radicals: A Return to Christ-Centred Discipleship

“The opportunity to serve is everywhere if the heart is seeking and there is a willingness to take action.”

— **Henry Hon, One: Unfolding God’s Eternal Purpose from House to House**

“I now rejoice in my service to others and make best use of my skills and abilities to help others. I now open to light, receive the light, and share the light, for one and all.”

— **Andrew Lutts, How to Live a Magnificent Life: Becoming the Living Expression of Higher Consciousness**

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