

# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

## Second Sunday in Lent

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**HYMN 1: 4– Christ whose glory fills the skies**

### **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **OT Reading – Genesis 15 – vv 1-12, 17-18 Murnell**

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup> But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup> He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup> And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup> Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup> But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup> He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." <sup>10</sup> He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. <sup>11</sup> And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. <sup>12</sup> As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. <sup>17</sup> When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates"

### **Psalm 27 – vv 1-8**

#### ***Dominus illuminatio***

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.

<sup>3</sup> Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

<sup>4</sup> One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

<sup>5</sup> For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

<sup>6</sup> And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

<sup>8</sup> Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

***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 3 – vv 17 – 4.1- Lilian**

<sup>17</sup> Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup> For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup> Their end is destruction;

their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>21</sup> He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>1</sup> Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

#### **Hymn 2: 96 – Bright the Vision**

#### **Gospel – Luke 13 – vv 31-35 Marie**

<sup>31</sup> At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup> He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup> Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’”

<sup>34</sup> Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup> See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

## **INTERCESSIONS – Barbara**

### **We Pray Especially This Week:**

- For peace in Ukraine
- For world leaders
- For children missing from schools and the records of local councils

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

*Sue & Jim, Janet & John 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  
*+May light perpetual shine upon him, May he rest in peace **and rise in glory.***

*We pray for all those mourning*

### **We Give Thanks and Praise :**

- For the agencies taking aid to war torn countries
- For our churchwardens and PCC and the PCC meeting on Thursday
- For Revd Susan here today
- For the beauty of nature

## **Offertory –184– Jerusalem the golden**

### **Communion Hymns.**

**HHS 56– Holy, Holy, Holy**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **HHS 63 Make me a channel of your peace**

### **A PRAYER DURING INTERREGNUM**

*Heavenly Father, During our Interregnum period We call on you for guidance, vision and renewed hope. As we seek a new incumbent oh Lord, We ask for someone who will be filled with Godly love Faithful in prayer and be prepared to serve you with joy. May the work that they do impact positively on Holy Saviour and the wider community.*

*As we pray and wait faithfully, help us to remember that the plans you have for us are not filled with harm, but give us that reassurance of a future filled with hope. Thank you oh Lord for continuing on this journey with us.*

**AMEN**

**Final Hymn HHS 91– Shine Jesus, shine**

## NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

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| Today        | 10.00am-11.15am – Second Sunday in Lent with Revd Susan Wheeler-Kiley presiding and preaching   |
| Tues 15 Mar  | 7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation   |
| Weds 16 Mar  | 10am-10.45am Midweek Service  |
| Thurs 17 Mar | 7.30pm-8.30pm Lent course with James, on Zoom   |
| Sat 19 Mar   | 10.00am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness<br>10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings |
| Sun 20 Mar   | 10am-11.15am – Third Sunday in Lent   |

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### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

*“Prayer is not asking. It is a longing of the soul. It is daily admission of one's weakness. It is better in prayer to have a heart without words than words without a heart.”*

— **Mahatma Gandhi**

*“Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts.”*

— **Mother Teresa**

*“For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.”*

— **St. Therese of Lisieux**

### Next Week's Readings

*Isaiah 55 – vv 1-9*

*1 Corinthians 10 – vv 1-13*

*Luke 13 – vv 1-9*

*Psalm 63 – vv 1-9*

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