

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON
Fourth Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday
27th March 2022

HYMN 1: 104– For the beauty

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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 – Exodus 2: 1-10– Sarah

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman.
² The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months.
³ When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴ His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.
⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶ When

she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” ⁸ Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ⁹ Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰ When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Psalm 34: 11-20

¹¹ Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
¹² What man is he that lusteth to live : and would fain see good days?
¹³ Keep thy tongue from evil : and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
¹⁴ Eschew evil, and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.
¹⁵ The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.
¹⁶ The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out

the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷ The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

¹⁸ The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

¹⁹ Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

²⁰ He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

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 – 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 Sue

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, ⁴ who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. ⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. ⁶ If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering.

⁷ Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

Hymn 2: 116 – All things bright and beautiful

Gospel – Luke 2: 33-35 – James

³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."



INTERCESSIONS – Sunday School

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For mothers in Ukraine and Russia
- For our Sunday school children and teachers
- For our church and Revd Ada and Rev Susan

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 souls of those killed in the invasion of Ukraine especially the women and children

✠ May light perpetual shine upon them,

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For mothers everywhere
- For midwives
- For Godmothers

Offertory Hymn:163 – Angel Voices ever singing

Communion Hymn.

360– For Mary mother

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; 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

Hymn 6 : 205 – Now thank we all our God

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10.00am-11.15am – Mothering Sunday + Holy Communion with Revd Ada presiding and preaching + Sunday School + Cream Tea
Tues 29 Mar	7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation
Weds 30 Mar	10am-10.45am Midweek Service
Thurs 31 Mar	7.00pm Section 11 Meeting for PCC in the hall
Sat 2 Apr	10.00am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness 10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings
Sun 3 Apr	10am-11.15am – Fifth Sunday of Lent + Baptism + Passiontide starts Pastoral Action Team meeting after the service

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“I won't try to describe how deeply I mourn her passing still. I know that she was the kindest, most generous spirit I have ever known, and that what is best in me I owe to her.”
— **Barack Obama, Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance**

“She was her own Enigma Code and me and my dad were not Bletchley Park.”
— **Jeanette Winterson, Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?**

Next Sunday's Readings – Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins

Isaiah 43 – vv 16-21
Philippians 3 – vv 4b –14
John 12 – vv 1-8
Psalm 126 – vv 1-7

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