# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER- 24<sup>TH</sup> April 2022

HYMN 1- 140 – All hail the power of Jesus' name

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

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 14 — vv 10-31, 15: 20-21 Christine

<sup>10</sup> As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. 11 They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? 12 Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." 13 But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. 14 The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

<sup>15</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. <sup>16</sup> But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. <sup>17</sup> Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that

they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.

<sup>18</sup> And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers."

<sup>19</sup> The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them.

<sup>20</sup> It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

<sup>21</sup> Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. 22 The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. <sup>23</sup> The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. <sup>24</sup> At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. <sup>25</sup> He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." The Pursuers Drowned <sup>26</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." <sup>27</sup> So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea.

<sup>28</sup> The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. <sup>29</sup> But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. 30 Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses. <sup>20</sup> Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. 21 And Miriam sang to them: "Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown

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into the sea."

#### Laudate Dominum

O PRAISE God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.

- <sup>2</sup> Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- <sup>3</sup> Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.
- <sup>4</sup> Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.
- <sup>5</sup> Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.
- <sup>6</sup> Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

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 - Acts 5 - vv 27 -32- Murnell

<sup>27</sup> When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup> But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. 30 The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. 31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup> And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

# Hymn 2 - 176 - Happy are they

# Gospel-John 20 - vv 19-31 Marie

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." 24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." 30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

# Prayers of Intercession - Christine

# We Pray Especially This Week:

- For children returning to school
- For those suffering from Covid
- For those struggling to manage

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

Margaret L, Janine Hayland, Sue W,
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 pray for the soul of Jim Waldock, & we pray for all those mourning.

### We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For the warmer weather
- For Christ resurrected
- For our congregation

# Offertory Hymn – HHS 95– To God be the Glory

# Communion Hymns 245– Jesus, these eyes have never 83- Loves redeeming work is done

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen** 

HHS 63 Make me a channel of your peace

### NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today 10.00am-11.15am – Second Sunday of Easter – Holy Communion +

Sunday school

11.45am-12.45pm - Annual Parochial Church Meeting

**Tues 26 April** 7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation

Weds 27 April 10am-10.45am Midweek Prayers

**Thurs 28 April 7.30pm-8.30pm** – Zoom Bible Study

Sat 30 April 10.00am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness

10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms

(Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings

**Sun 1 May 10am-11.15am – Third Sunday of Easter –** Revd Susan Wheeler-Kiley

presiding and preaching

#### 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** 

#### **Notices**

Final Hymn – 211 – Through the night of doubt and sorrow

Next Sunday's Readings – Third Sunday of Easter

Zephaniah 3 – vv 14-20 Acts 9 – 1-6 John 21 – vv 1-19 Psalm 30 – vv 1-13

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