

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON
Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins
3rd April 2022

HYMN 1- 72 – Lift high the cross

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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**

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Sheri

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

PSALM 126: vv 1-7

In convertendo

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion : then were we like unto them that dream.

² Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.

³ Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.

⁴ Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.

⁵ Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.

⁶ They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.

⁷ He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

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 - Barbara
Philippians 3: 4b-14**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus: Gospel.

**Hymn 2 – 67 – When I survey the
wondrous cross**

**GOSPEL READING - Mitzi
John 12 : 1-8**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Prayers of Intercession - Craig

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For our PCC working to find a new priest
- For those coming from Ukraine being rehomed until it is safe to return
- For families missing a father

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 service people killed in the invasion of Ukraine especially those who do not want to fight.

✠ May light perpetual shine upon them,
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For Rev Susan, here today
- For our young people and their refreshments on Mothering Sunday
- For our servers and our Reader James

Offertory Hymn – 251– Souls of men, why will ye scatter

Communion Hymns

137 – There is a green hill

66 – Glory be to Jesus

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you:

give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **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

Notices

Final Hymn – 58 – The Royal Banners Forward Go

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10.00am-11.15am – Fifth Sunday of Lent + Passiontide Starts with Revd Susan presiding and preaching Pastoral Action Team meeting after the service
Tues 5 Apr	7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation
Weds 6 Apr	10am-10.45am Midweek Service
Thurs 7 Apr	Lent Group with James on Zoom
Sat 9 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 10 Apr	10am-11.15am – Palm Sunday

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“In truth, there was only one Christian and he died on the cross.”

— **Friedrich Nietzsche**

“The Bible is the greatest love story ever told.”

— **Evangelist Author Jordan Wells**

Next Sunday's Readings – Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50 – vv 4-9a

Philippians 2 – vv 5 –11

Luke 19 – vv 28-40

Psalms 118 – vv 19-24

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