

# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022

**HYMN 1- 106– Lord the beauty**

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

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour 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 1-6 – 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.

**Psalm 33 – vv 12-21**

<sup>12</sup> Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah : and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.

<sup>13</sup> The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men : from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

<sup>14</sup> He fashioneth all the hearts of them : and understandeth all their works.

<sup>15</sup> There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host : neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.

<sup>16</sup> A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man : neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

<sup>17</sup> Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him : and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

<sup>18</sup> To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth.

<sup>19</sup> Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord : for he is our help and our shield.

<sup>20</sup> For our heart shall rejoice in him : because we have hoped in his holy Name.

<sup>21</sup> Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in thee

***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 – Hebrews 11–1-3, 8-16 - Lilian**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup> Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. <sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup> By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup> Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.” <sup>13</sup> All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup> for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of the land that they had left

behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

## **Hymn 2: HHS 81 – Great is Thy Faithfulness**

### **Gospel– Luke 12 – vv 32-40 Marie**

<sup>32</sup> “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>35</sup> “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup> be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup> Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup> If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. <sup>39</sup> “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

## **INTERCESSIONS – Craig**

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

- For victims of crime
- For those who are awaiting exam results
- For those who work when others are on holiday

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

*Barbara G, Margaret L, Janine H, Janet & John J, Stephen Mc, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora, Veronica F's friend, Matt, Tabitha's aunt, Brenda, Stephanie, Cyril, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road & Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Ernestine, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ron and all those we know and love*

*✠ We pray for the souls of Janet Titus, Mary Simpson, Avril Ward, Ethel Miller, Baby Paul Jnr. and June Cresswell*

*+May light perpetual shine upon them,  
**May they rest in peace and rise in glory***

*We pray for those who are mourning*

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

- For our Churchwardens Redva and Sheri and our serving team
- For the summer weather
- For Revd Ada

## **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**

**Offertory Hymn: 343 – Be Thou my vision**

**Communion Hymns.**

**187 – Jerusalem my happy home**

**248 – O my Saviour**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your  
word be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your  
praise be free from deceit; may the eyes  
which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope; and may  
the bodies which have been fed with  
your body be refreshed with the fullness  
of your life; glory to you for ever.

**Amen**

**Hymn 6: 203 – O Praise ye the Lord**

## NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Please stay at home if you have cold or flu-like symptoms.**

- Today**                    **10.00am-11.15am** – Holy Communion Service – Trinity 8  
Revd Ada presiding and preaching
- Tues 9 August**        **Funeral of Avril Ward at Croydon Crematorium at 2.30pm**
- Weds 10 August**    **10am-10.45am** Midweek Service in church
- Thurs 11 August**    No Bible Study – returns 22 September
- Sat 13 August**       **10.30am-11.30am** Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms  
(Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings  
Confirmation classes in the church. Please see Revd Ada for more  
information  
**2.00-4.00pm** – Seniors’ Mix and Mingle in the church hall
- Sun 14 August**      **10am-11.15am** – Holy Communion Service – The Assumption  
Revd Susan Wheeler-Kiley presiding and preaching

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### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

*“I believe that imagination is stronger than knowledge. That myth is more potent than history. That dreams are more powerful than facts. That hope always triumphs over experience. That laughter is the only cure for grief. And I believe that love is stronger than death.”*

**— Robert Fulghum, *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten***

*“They say a person needs just three things to be truly happy in this world: someone to love, something to do, and something to hope for.”*

**— Tom Bodett**

### **Next Sunday’s Readings – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Revelation 11 – vv 19-12.6, 10*

*Galatians 4–vv 4-7*

*Luke 1 – vv 46-55*

*Psalm 45 – vv 10-17*

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