

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

3rd Sunday before Advent

6th November 2022

HYMN 1: 336 – All my hope on God is founded

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING –

Mathilde

Job 19: 23-27a

²³ “O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! ²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; ²⁶ and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, ²⁷ whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

PSALM FOR THE DAY 17 1-9

Exaudi, Domine

Hear the right, O Lord, consider my complaint: and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

² Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.

³ Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me: for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.

⁴ Because of men's works, that are done against the words of thy lips: I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.

⁵ O hold thou up my goings in thy paths: that my footsteps slip not.

⁶ I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me: incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.

⁷ Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee: from such as resist thy right hand.

⁸ Keep me as the apple of an eye: hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

⁹ From the ungodly that trouble me: mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.

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 – Sylvia 2
Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction.⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Hymn 2: 117 –Praise to the Holiest

GOSPEL READING - Luke 20:27-38

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸ and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.” ³⁴ Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

INTERCESSIONS – Craig

We Pray Especially This Week:

For -The example set by people in positions of authority

For - People on the margins who feel their political voice is not heard.

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

Claudine, Billy's Uncle Richard, 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, Adrian, Ron and all those we know and love

✠ We pray for the soul of Janet Titus

✠ May light perpetual shine upon her, May she rest in peace

And rise in Glory

We Give Thanks and Praise:

For - Glorious autumn colours

For – The warm weather saving us not having to put our heating on

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

PEACE

Offertory Hymn: 122- How sweet the name of Jesus

**The Hymns during Communion are
HHS 50 – Be still my soul
135 – Rock of Ages**

Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we
long; through Jesus Christ our
Saviour. **Amen**

Hymn 6: 114 – A Safe Stronghold

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 – Third Sunday before Advent. Mother Joyce Forbes, Area Dean, presiding and preaching
Tues 8 Nov	7.30pm-8.30pm – Night Prayer with mindfulness and meditation
Weds 9 Nov	10am-10.45am Midweek Service in church
Thurs 10 Nov	7.30pm-8.15pm – Bible Study, led by James
Sat 12 Nov	10am – Prayer for Healing and Wholeness in church 10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings 2pm-4pm – Seniors' Mix and Mingle in the church hall
Sun 13 Nov	10am-11.15am – Remembrance Sunday. Revd Ada presiding and preaching

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“GRACE means God Redeems And Christ Empowers!”

— Lailah Gifty Akita, *Think Great: Be Great!*

“God never said that the journey would be easy, but He did say that the arrival would be worthwhile”

Max Lucado

“Some of God’s greatest gifts are unanswered prayers”

Garth Brooks

Next Sunday’s Readings – Remembrance Sunday

Malachi 4: 1-2a

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

Luke 21: 5-19

Psalm 98: 1-10

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