

Holy Saviour Church, Croydon

Trinity 12 – 27th August 2023

Entrance Hymn: 72 - *Lift High the Cross*

Hymn Before the Gospel: 464 – *God is here; as we His people*

Offertory Hymn: HHS 71 – *Tell me the old old story*

Communion Hymn(s): HHS 50 – *Be still my soul*; **118** – *Firmly, I believe and truly*

Final Hymn: HHS 82 – *God is our strength and refuge*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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**

FIRST READING Isaiah 51: 1-6 – Mathilde

Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you, for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.

³ For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation, for a teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out, and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the earth beneath, for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats, but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

PSALM 138: 1-8

Confitebor tibi

¹ WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

² I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

³ When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

⁵ Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

⁸ The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

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

SECOND READING Romans 12:1-8 – Barbara

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God’s mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

GOSPEL – Matthew 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah

INTERCESSIONS – Christine

We pray especially this week for: Mothers and daughters

We Give Thanks and Praise for: The promise of Heaven to come

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

Stacey's mum Debbie, Finn, Tony, Julie and her father, Billy, Jacob, Ellie and her mother, Jean and Roger, Trudy's sister Sally, Christine C, Rev Peter's wife Jennifer, Brandon, 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, Brenda, Stephanie, Cyril, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road & Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Enid, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat, Adrian, Ron, Cleveland, Sarah's sister Marie.

We pray for those who mourn - *The children of Shamanie Terrelonge, Daphne*
We pray for the souls of Shamanie Terrelonge, and Roy Eccleston.

May light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. **And rise in glory.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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For Baptisms (Christenings) and Weddings, please speak to or contact the Vicar

Services this Week

- Today** **10.00am – Parish Eucharist: Trinity 12:** Fr Tomos presiding and preaching;
- Tues 29 Aug** **7.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer and Bible Study** will return on Tuesday 19 September at 7.30 pm
- Weds 30 Aug** **10.00am – Midweek Eucharist**
- Sat 2 Sept** **10.30am - Holy Dusters**
- Sun 3 Sept** **10.00am – Parish Eucharist: Trinity 12:** The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun presiding and Preaching
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Other Notices

- Sun 3 Sept** **Bishop of Southwark visting Holy Saviour.** Bishop Christopher will be presiding and preaching at the Parish Eucharist next Sunday 3 Sept. Please **save the date** in your diary so that we can give him a warm Holy Saviour welcome!
- Sat 9 Sept**
2-4pm **September's Mix and Mingle** event will be a special Macmillan Coffee "Afternoon" in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Please put the date in your diary!
- Sun 24 Sept** **Harvest Festival Eucharist at 10 am with Sunday School**
- Sat 30 Sept** **Bring and Share Harvest Supper** in the hall. More details to follow soon! All are welcome!
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