

Holy Saviour Church, Croydon

Easter Sunday

31 March 2024

Entrance Hymn: 80 – *Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise*

Hymn Before the Gospel: 77 – *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

Offertory Hymn 73– *Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem*

Communion Hymn(s):;501– *Now The Green Blade: 78*—*The Strife is O'er*

Final Hymn: 428–*Thine Be The Glory*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25: 6-9 – Sue

⁶ On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. ⁹ It will be said on that day, "See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

PSALM 118: 14-24

14 The Lord is my strength, and my song : and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

17 I shall not die, but live : and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness : that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord : the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me : and art become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders refused : is become the head-stone in the corner.

23 This is the Lord's doing : and it is marvellous in our eyes. ²

⁴ This is the day which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

We remain seated for the concluding doxology:

**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: Acts of the Apostles 10: 34-43 - Lilian

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

GOSPEL – John 20: 1-18– Marie

²⁰ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet

ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

INTERCESSIONS – Barbara

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

David Ryland, Amy, Milton Findlay, Clifford, Finn, Tony, Julie and her father, Billy, Jacob, Ellie and her mother, Trudy's sister Sally, Rev Peter's wife Jennifer, Brandon, Billy's Uncle Richard, Barbara G, Janine H, John J, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora, Vilma Morgan, Matt, Brenda, Stephanie, Cyril, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, Christopher, Denise M, Enid, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat, Adrian, Ron, Cleveland, Britt and Barry, Margaret T, Odion Ayotunde Edeki, Veronica Vernon, The King and the Princess of Wales

We pray for those who mourn

We pray for the souls of: Austin Emmanuel Dawson, Jean Greetham, Estriana Shaw, Esther Shoduri, Hilary, Trudy Payne (priest), Miriam Kolandawal, Eula Chester, Natalie Searley

May light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

And rise in glory.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through 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** **10am – The Parish Eucharist on Easter Day** : Fr Tomos presiding and preaching
Final Bishop's Lent Call Collection at the end of the service
Refreshments in the hall after the service
- Wed 3 April** **10.00am – Morning Prayer**
- Sat 6 April** **10:30am – Holy Dusters**
- Sun 7 April** **10am – The Parish Eucharist on The First Sunday of Easter** : Fr Charlie Bell presiding and Preaching.
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Other Notices

- Tuesdays**
7.30-8.30pm **Online Bible Study resumes at the end of April:** the theme for the coming "term" will be the story of Joseph and his Brothers
- Sat 13 April**
2-4pm **April Mix and Mingle Event in the hall:** this month we will be welcoming Anya to lead us in a "Craft on Canvas" event. All are welcome for games, company and crafting!
- Sat 20 April**
10am-noon
1-3pm **Holy Saviour and Nehemiah Project – Gardening in the Churchyard Joint Event:** if you are an adult and feel fit enough to help lend a hand in the church grounds, please do consider joining the Vicar and our neighbours from the Nehemiah Project for all or part of the day. Further details, including a bring and share lunch, can be found on the poster in church.
- Sun 28 April** **The Parish Electoral Roll:** forms are available at the back of church if you would like to join the roll, which will allow you to vote in elections to the PCC that take place at the **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** after the Parish Eucharist on 28 April. If you are thinking of standing for the PCC, please speak to The Vicar for more information!
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