

Holy Saviour Church, Croydon

Whit Sunday / Pentecost

19th May 2024

Entrance Hymn 92 – Come Thou Holy Spirit, Come

Hymn Before the Gospel: 93 – Come Holy Ghost our Souls Inspire

Offertory Hymn 101– O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

Communion Hymn(s):HHS 49– Be Still For The Presence :151—Our Blest Redeemer

Final Hymn: HHS 94–The Spirit Lives to Set Us Free

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37 : 1-14 – Pearl

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.² He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry.³ He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.”⁴ Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.⁵ Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.⁶ I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.”⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone.⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them.⁹ Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.”¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.¹¹ Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel.¹³ And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people.¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

PSALM 104: 26-36 *Omnes gentes, plaudite*

²⁶ There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan: whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein. ²⁷ These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season. ²⁸ When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good. ²⁹ When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust. ³⁰ When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth. ³¹ The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works. ³² The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke. ³³ I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being. ³⁴ And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord. ³⁵ As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end ³⁶ Praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

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 2: 1-21 -Sheri

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

GOSPEL – John 15: 26-27; 16.4b-15– Lilian

²⁶ “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷ You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning. “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹² “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

INTERCESSIONS – Marie

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

Paulina Larios, Sally and Katharine, Allen, Tracey and Ann Davis, David, Milton Findlay, Clifford, Finn, Tony, Julie and her father, Billy, Jacob, Ellie and her mother, Sally, 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, Odion Ayotunde Edeki, Veronica Vernon, Paul Temiz, Brian Cresswell, The King and the Princess of Wales

We pray for those who mourn

We pray for the souls of Gilbert, Austin Emmanuel Dawson, Jean Greetham, Estriana Shaw, Hilary, Eula Chester, Natalie Sealey

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; 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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Services this Week

Today	10am – Whit Sunday/ Pentecost Eucharist : Fr Tomos presiding and Preaching.
Tues 21 May	Bible Study – Please let Father Tomos know if you wish to join
Wed 22 May	10.00am –Midweek Eucharist
Sat 18 May	10:30am – Holy Dusters
Sun 26 May	10am – Trinity Sunday = Fr Tomos Presiding and Reader James Preaching – Sunday School During and Refreshments following the Service

Other Notices

Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm	Night Prayer & Online Bible Study resumes on Tuesdays at 7.30pm: the theme for the coming “term” will be the story of Joseph and his Brothers; Email vicar@holysaviourcroydon.co.uk for the joining link!
Sun 16 June	Southwark Cathedral Music Project: Southwark Cathedral Organist, Ian Keatley, is inviting parish church choirs from the Diocese of Southwark to sing Evensong with Southwark Cathedral Choir on Sunday 16 June at 3pm. If you sing in a parish church choir in the Diocese of Southwark, please come and join us! This initiative forms part of our new Diocesan Music Outreach Programme including organ workshops with my colleague, Simon Hogan (Sub-Organist) and our Organ Extravaganza Day for diocesan school children on Wednesday 5 June. Contact Ian on: ian.keatley@southwark.anglican.org to book a place!

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