

Holy Saviour Church, Croydon

Dedication Service

23rd June 2024

Entrance Hymn 163 – *Angel Voices Ever Singing*

Hymn Before the Gospel: 283 – *Blessed City Heavenly Salem*

Offertory Hymn 262 – *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*

Communion Hymn(s): 256 – *Let All Mortal Flesh 97* — *Father of Heaven Whose Love*

Final Hymn: 171 – *Thy Hand O God Has Guided*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you here: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple acceptable to you; through 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: Genesis 28 : 11-18 – Pearl

¹¹ Jacob came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹² And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, ¹⁴ and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵ Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” ¹⁶ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” ¹⁷ And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.” ¹⁸ So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it.

PSALM 122: 1-9

Laetatus sum

¹ WAS glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.

² Our feet shall stand in thy gates : O Jerusalem.

³ Jerusalem is built as a city : that is at unity in itself.

⁴ For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord : to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

⁵ For there is the seat of judgement : even the seat of the house of David.

⁶ O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

⁷ Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.

⁸ For my brethren and companions' sakes : I will wish thee prosperity.

⁹ Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God : I will seek to do thee good.

*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: 1 Peter 2 :1-10 Mathilde

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. ² Like new-born infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷ This honour, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸ and "A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

GOSPEL – John 10: 22-29– Lilian

²² At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all, and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand.

INTERCESSIONS – Christine

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

Khalil A, 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, Veronica Vernon, Pauline Temiz, Brian Cresswell, The King and the Princess of Wales

We pray for those who mourn

We pray for the souls of Colin, and those who have died who we know

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; 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.

Rev'd Tomos Reed, Holy Saviour Vicarage

115 St Saviour's Road, Croydon CR0 2XF

vicar@holysaviourcroydon.co.uk; 02036334924

www.holysaviourcroydon.co.uk

Hall Bookings: info@holysaviourcroydon.co.uk

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

Services this Week

Today	10am – Dedication Festival † Fr Tomos Presiding and Preaching
Tues 25 June	Bible Study – Please let Father Tomos know if you wish to join
Wed 26 June	10.00am – Eucharist
Sat 29 June	11:00am – Holy Dusters
Sun 30 June	10am – 5th Sunday after Trinity † Fr Tomos Presiding and Reader James Preaching + Sunday School; after-service refreshments

Other Notices

Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm **Night Prayer & Online Bible Study continues 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!

Sat 27 July 12 noon – 4pm **Save the date – Holy Saviour Parish Fair in collaboration with UYC Academy**

Upcoming Sunday School Dates: Please save the following dates in your diary and also encourage anyone who may be interested to come along! Parents are welcome to accompany children to Sunday School or to remain in the service. Please don't leave your children behind at Holy Saviour!

Sunday 30 June - Sunday 14 July - Sunday 28 July

Copyright acknowledgement:

The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible copyright©1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches in the USA. All rights reserved. Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England copyright© The Archbishops' Council