Holy Saviour Church, Croydon 17th Sunday After Trinity 22nd September 2024

Entrance Hymn 207 – Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

Hymn Before the Gospel: 233 – O Thou Who Camest From Above

Offertory Hymn 150 – Ye Servants Of The Lord

Communion Hymn(s):190 – There Is A Land: **HHS 56**—Holy, Holy,

Final Hymn: HHS 100 – Will You Come And Follow Me?

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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: Wisdom of Solomon 1: 16-2.1, 12-22- Sue

¹⁶ But the ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death; considering him a friend, they pined away and made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his company. For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, 'Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades. 12 'Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. ¹³ He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord. ¹⁴ He became to us a reproof of our thoughts; ¹⁵ the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange. ¹⁶ We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father. ¹⁷ Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; ¹⁸ for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. 19 Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. ²⁰ Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected.' ²¹ Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, ²² and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness, nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

PSALM 54 : 1-7



Save me, O God, for thy Name's sake: and avenge me in thy strength.

- ² Hear my prayer, O God: and hearken unto the words of my mouth.
- ³ For strangers are risen up against me: and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.
- ⁴ Behold, God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
- ⁵ He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: destroy thou them in thy truth.
- ⁶ An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord: because it is so comfortable.
- ⁷ For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble : and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

We <u>remain seated</u> 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: James 3:13-14,3,7-8a Lilian

¹³ Who is wise and knowledgeable among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be arrogant and lie about the truth. ¹⁵ This is not wisdom that comes down from above but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶ For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. ³ You ask and do not receive because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

GOSPEL - Mark 9: 30-37 - Lilian

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know it; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' ³² But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' ³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' ³⁶ Then

he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

INTERCESSIONS - Christine

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

Lynton Salmon, Cherelle, Julie Johns, Lyn Johns, 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, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, Christopher, Denise M, Enid, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat, 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 James Williams, Bransby Roberts, and all those we have loved and lost.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; 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 – 17th Sunday after Trinity: Fr Tomos Presiding and Reader

James Preaching:

Tues 24 Sept Night Prayer and Bible Study We will be looking at the Book of Ruth.

Email the vicar for the online link to join.

Wed 25 Sept 10am - Holy Communion

Sat 28 Sept 11am – Holy Dusters

Sun 29 Sept 10am – Michael and All Angels – Fr Tomos Presiding + speakers from

the Nehemiah Project;

Readings: Genesis 28.10-17; Psalm 103.19-22;; Revelation 12.7-12;

John 1.47-51

Other Notices

Sun 29 Sept Next Sunday School Date: 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 School Volunteers: we are seeking to recruit more

volunteers to support our Sunday School Leaders. The role involves helping to supervise Sunday School activities. Please speak to the vicar if you are interested in helping out. *This role is subject to*

enhanced disclosure from the DBS.

Sat 5 Oct Southwark Cathedral Black History Month Festal Eucharist

10.30 am (President: The Archbishop of Canterbury)

Sat 5 Oct 7pm Harvest Supper - Bring and Share in the Church Hall!

Sun 6 Oct 10am Harvest Festival Eucharist – Donations of non-perishable food goods

will be gratefully accepted and distributed to good causes

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