

Holy Saviour Church, Croydon
Sunday before Advent – Christ The King
24th November 2024

Entrance Hymn: 139 - Rejoice The Lord is King

Hymn Before the Gospel: 126 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Offertory Hymn: 283 – Blessed City Heavenly Salem

Communion Hymn(s): 199- Immortal, Invisible: 269 – *Dearest Jesu*

Final Hymn: 141 – The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

FIRST READING: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 – Sue

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. ¹³ As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

PSALM 93 : 1-6



- 1 The Lord is King, and hath put on ' glorious ap'parel : the Lord hath put on his apparel and ' girded him'self with ' strength.
- 2 He hath made the round ' world so ' sure : that it ' cannot ' be ' moved.

- 3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat ' been pre'pared : thou ' art from ' ever'lasting.
- 4 The floods are risen O Lord, the floods have lift ' up their ' voice : the ' floods lift ' up their ' waves.
- 5 The waves of the sea are mighty and ' rage ' horribly : but yet the Lord who ' dwelleth on ' high is ' mightier.
- 6 Thy testimonies O Lord are ' very ' sure : holiness be'cometh thine ' house for ' ever.

*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. 'A'men***

SECOND READING: Revelation 1: 4b-8 – Sheri

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL – John 18: 33-37 – Mathilde

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷ Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

INTERCESSIONS Christine

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

Juana Vega, Chris Hubbuck, Julie Cornfield, 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, the Princess of Wales and Bishop Christopher

We pray for those who mourn

We pray for the souls of Lloyd McLeggan, Lynton Salmon, 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

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; 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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Today **10am – Christ The King: Fr Tomos presiding and Reader James preaching**
Noon - Baptism

Wed 27 Nov **10am - No Service This Week (Eucharist returns on Wed 4 Dec)**

Sun 1 Dec **10am – Advent Sunday: Fr Tomos presiding and preaching**

Sat 7 Dec **10.30am – Morning Prayer for Advent (every Saturday in Advent)**

Sat 30 Nov **11am Holy Dusters**

Mon 2 Dec **7.30pm Advent Course (online) – Women of the Nativity:** based on Paula
(weekly) Gooder's book, we will be looking at a series of reflections and Bible
passages. Email vicar@holysaviourcroydon.co.uk for the Zoom link.

Sun 8 Dec **Guest Speaker from the Leprosy Mission**
10 am

Thurs 12 Dec **South London and Maudsley (SLAM) NHS Trust:** SLAM return to Holy
11 am Saviour with a special session on coping with anxiety

Sat 14 Dec **December Mix and Mingle:** our December Mix and Mingle is a Bollywood
2 – 4pm Event organised by the Kerala Cultural and Welfare Association! All are
welcome!

Sunday School: many thanks to those who kindly volunteered to help with the vital ministry of Sunday School. Once the necessary safeguarding formalities are completed we should be able to restart Sunday School in November. Keep an eye out for future dates!

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