Trinity 13 – September 14, 2025 Holy Cross Day

WELCOME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open all desires know and from whom no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PSALM 8

¹ Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.

²Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. ³When I consider your heavens,

the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars,

which you have set in place,

⁴what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

⁵You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour. ⁶You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:

⁷all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, 8the birds in the sky,

and the fish in the sea,

all that swim the paths of the seas.

⁹ Lord, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen

SONG: There is a redeemer – 544

CONFESSION

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ: to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven. and to bring us to eternal life.

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence (for personal confession)

Most merciful God. Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

ABSOLUTION:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you (us), pardon and deliver you (us) from all your (our) sins, confirm and strengthen you (us) in all goodness, and keep you (us) in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Song At the cross (Matt Redman)

READINGS: Philippians 2: 5 – 11 This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

COLLECT (special prayer):

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the Good News of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

SONG:

When I survey the wondrous cross (596)

GOSPEL: John 3:13 - 18

Alleluia, alleluia.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia.

Hear the gospel of our Lord according to...

Glory to you, O Christ

This is the Gospel of Christ,

Praise to you O Lord.

DISMISS CHILDREN

SERMON: The Cross; The wisdom and power of God

SONG

Jesus, keep me near the cross, There a precious fountain; Free to all, a healing stream, Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

In the cross, in the cross
Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me; There the Bright and Morning Star Shed His beams around me.

Near the cross! O lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me; Help me walk from day to day With its shadow o'er me.

Near the cross! I'll watch and wait, Hoping, trusting ever; Till I reach the golden strand, Just beyond the river.

<u>CREED</u>: (Nicene Creed AD325) Let us declare our faith in God:

INTERCESSION:

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

PEACE

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY

Please place your contribution in the plate at the back. If you prefer to contribute through the bank: Santander Bank account number: 91028603; sort code: 090155; St. Saviour's Parochial Church Council. If you prefer to give using the Parish Giving Scheme visit their website: https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/. We also receive card contributions.

Gracious God, for all you have given us, all you will give us and all you give us here and now, we offer you our thanks and praise. Bless this offering of our money and of ourselves to be used in your service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PERSONAL PRAYER DURING COMMUNION

During communion there will be an opportunity to receive prayer and anointing with oil from a member of our prayer team. If you would like someone to pray with you, please head to the **prayer corner after receiving communion**.

SONG: Jesus remember me... 875 (*During the preparation of the table*)

HOLY COMMUNION (Prayer B)

Blessed be the kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit now and unto the ages of ages. **Amen**

Merciful God, through the death of your beloved Son you transformed an instrument of shame into a sign of hope and glory. Receive all we bring before you this day, and renew us in the mystery of his love; through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.

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And now we give you thanks because for our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore...

THE LORD'S PRAYER (page 9)
Our Father in heaven...
Breaking of the Bread (page 10)
Agnus Dei: Lamb of God...

INVITATION:

Draw near with faith...(10)

Prayer of humble access:

We do not presume... (page 11)

SONGS: (during communion)

Such love – 514 Jesus take me – 305 Jesus you are changing me – 311

POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS

Almighty God,

who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Faithful God,

whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes:

give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. **Amen**

PRAYER OF THANKS:

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us...

NOTICES AND BIRTHDAYS

FINAL SONG

Name of all majesty 939

PRAYER AND BLESSING

Acclamation

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;

by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world. God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

We preach Christ crucified,

the power of God and the wisdom of God.

By your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

God forbid that I should glory,

save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you; by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven;

And the blessing of God almighty: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you (and all you love) now and forever.

Amen

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord; In the name of Christ, Amen

NOTICES

- Please continue to help to replenish our foodbank which is a source of help to many in our community. Thanks to all those who have been contributing to this with food and money. It is very appreciated.
- Please take a copy of the Good News
 GOOD NEWS
 Evangelistic Newspaper
 Reverse take a copy of the Good News
 Newspaper. It is a good read.
- 3. We are renovating our toilets because we have a major leak in one of them and the plumbing needs replacing. If you are able to contribute to this we would very much appreciate it. Please excuse the inconvenience. Thanks
- Alpha Course began September 4th at 7pm

 please take a leaflet to give to a friend or neighbour or family.
- 5. **Next PCC meeting** Wednesday September 17at 7:30pm.
- 6. Harvest service and parish lunch September 28th
- 7. Operation Christmas Child shoe



boxes appeal begins.
Please start bringing your gifts. We gather in
November to fill the boxes

and send them off in time for Christmas.

Please remember to subscribe and use the bell if



you use YouTube to help you in your morning prayers.



Friday fortnight BIBLE STUDY on zoom every other Friday from 7:30



Tuesday evening BIBLE STUDY each week on zoom from 7:30pm.

ALL ARE INVITED

Church of England daily prayer:

https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer

<u>PRAYERS</u> (please take a copy of the prayer leaflet to help you in your daily prayers)

The JESUS PRAYER: Pray this prayer daily as you arise from sleep. as you walk along, as you travel, as you eat and as you retire to bed at nights:

LORD JESUS CHRIST, SON OF GOD, HAVE MERCY ON ME (US or THE WORLD) A SINNER.

ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER

I arise today, through God's strength to pilot me, God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me, God's hand to guard me, God's shield to protect me, God's host to save me From snares of devils, From temptation of vices, From everyone who shall wish me ill, afar and near.

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of
me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,

Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to You, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYER FOCUS:

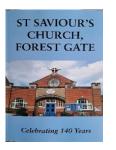
If you would like someone to pray with you, please go to the prayer corner and a member of our prayer team will pray with you. Please keep these and others in your prayers this week.

For I am the Lord who heals you. (Ex15:26)
Cast all your cares and anxieties and worries and fears upon the LORD for he cares for you. (1 Peter 5:7)

Roy and Pauline Haywood (Nathan), Samuel and Pauline Bookal-Downes, Doreen, Noel (Maxine) Morris, Attlee (and Revd Janetta), Jean and Walter, Monica, Veronica and Chester, **Dolly** and Desmond, **Jean** Murphy, **Pat** and Ray Vincent, Muriel (and son Simon), David Martins, Veronica James, Monica and daughter (Sheryl), Radcliffe and Pauline, Andy and Anita, Una, Ann and Richard (in Wales), Kianna - (Ann's granddaughter) and her stepmum – Lucy and brother lan, **Spencer** (Sophie's son), **Jennifer**, **Ilene** (Hillary's mum), **Karen** (Hillary's sister), **Hillary**, **Tia** (Maxine's great grandniece); Comfort, Rev. Young and family (brother- Sang Young and mother – Young Rai), **Vevet** Deer (lay chair – Waltham Forest), Michael Gordon...

<u>CARERS</u>: We pray for all those who care for the sick – doctors, nurses, carers and family members: *Maxine, Rev. Janetta, Deborah, Radcliffe, Simon, Janet (Una's daughter), spouses and children...*

<u>Charity of the month:</u> Barnabas Aid Fund please pray for them.



Please remember to promote and purchase a copy of our book. The majority of the proceeds will go towards helping to sort out our heating. Donation: £10 Thanks. Members of the PRAYER TEAM are meeting

prior to the service at around 10:15 to pray for the service. If you are able, please join them. *Prayer moves mountains...* https://stsaviourse7.org.uk/

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