

Parish of Sanderstead and Hamsey  
Green

## All Saints' Church

Sunday 9th May 2021  
Easter 6



### Parish Praise

*Welcome in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.*

*Today, although we are not yet meeting together physically, by faith and by the Holy Spirit, we meet together as friends and followers of Jesus Christ. We are looking forward to May 23rd when, all being well, we will be able to meet together again.*

*Let's spend some time at the beginning of this service in quiet prayer, remembering the words of Jesus: 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.'*

*Revd Canon Martin Greenfield will preach today: "To be church is to love one another".*

**Hymn:** 'Jesus is Lord'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HHYt40whHQ>

#### **JESUS IS LORD,**

Creation's voice proclaims it  
for by his pow'r each tree and flow'r  
was planned and made.

Jesus is Lord!

The universe declares it;  
sun, moon and stars in heaven  
cry: Jesus is Lord!

*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!  
Praise him with hallelujahs  
for Jesus is Lord.*

Jesus is Lord!  
Yet from his throne eternal  
in flesh he came to die in pain  
on Calvary's tree.  
Jesus is Lord!  
From him all life proceeding,  
yet gave his life a ransom  
thus setting us free.

*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!  
Praise him with hallelujahs  
for Jesus is Lord.*

Jesus is Lord!  
O'er sin the mighty conqu'ror,  
from death he rose, and all his foes  
shall own his name.  
Jesus is Lord!  
God sends his Holy Spirit  
to show by works of power  
that Jesus is Lord.

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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Alleluia, Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

<i>Preparation. We say this prayer together</i>
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**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Peruvian Gloria (Glory To God)*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tEP9E10yUs8>

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.  
To him be glory forever.  
To him be glory forever.  
*Alleluia amen,*  
*alleluia amen.*  
*Alleluia amen, alleluia amen.*

Glory to God, glory to God, son of the Father.  
Glory to God, glory to God, son of the Father.  
To him be glory forever.  
To him be glory forever.  
*Alleluia amen,*  
*alleluia amen.*  
*Alleluia amen, alleluia amen.*

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.  
To him be glory forever.  
To him be glory forever.  
*Alleluia amen,*  
*alleluia amen.*  
*Alleluia amen, alleluia amen.*

<p><i>The minister leads us in the special prayer (the 'Collect') for today</i></p>
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**Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:  
help your Church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen**

## ***The Liturgy of the Word***

### **First Reading:** 1 John 5:1-6

*Faith in the incarnate Son of God*

**5** Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. <sup>2</sup> This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. <sup>3</sup> In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup> for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. <sup>5</sup> Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

<sup>6</sup> This is the one who came by water and blood – Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading:** John 15:9-17

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup> My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup> I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did

not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. <sup>17</sup> This is my command: love each other.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The Sermon*

<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>
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**We believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

*Hymn: A new commandment I give unto you*  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2X8m9tVR0\\_Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2X8m9tVR0_Y)

## **A NEW COMMANDMENT**

I give unto you:  
that you love one another  
as I have loved you,  
that you love one another  
as I have loved you.

By this will all men know  
that you are my disciples  
that you have love one for another;  
By this will all men know  
that you are my disciples  
that you have love one for another.

Jesus, John 13:34-35

## *Prayers of Intercession*

*We use this bidding and response:*

*Lord, in your mercy,*  
**hear our prayer**

We pray for...

- Our government and our nation.
- The world and those in great need.
- The local community
- Church leaders and congregations.

*These prayers end with...*

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

*The Lord's Prayer:*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*Closing Hymn: To God be the glory*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-15v9iworAU>

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY!** great things he hath done;  
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the earth hear his voice;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the people rejoice:  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory; great things he hath done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*[cont.]*

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the earth hear his voice;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the people rejoice:  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory; great things he hath done.*

Frances Jane van Alstyne (Fanny J. Crosby) (1820-1915)

### *Prayer of God's Blessing*

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,  
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

**Amen**

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

**Amen**

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,  
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

**Amen**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**