

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Today **10am 3rd Sunday before Advent** - Holy Communion & Sunday School and preaching is Reader Paul Parmenter
11:45am Standing Committee meeting
4:00pm – All Souls Service
- Tues 8 Nov **9.30am-11am** Play & Stay parents and babies in the choir room – with Kathryn
7.30pm-9pm ‘Thank God it’s Tuesday’ new style Sing&nightprayer service in Church
- Weds 9 Nov **10am-10.45** Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful –
5pm - All are invited to multi faith Peace Evening at Croydon Voluntary Centre London Road- meet outside at 4.50pm.
- Fri 11 Nov **8.30am-3.30pm** Community Payback Gardeners
8pm Choir Practice – all welcome
- Sat 12 Nov **10am-11am** Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
- Sun 13 Nov **10am** Remembrance Sunday – Holy Communion and Sunday School
12 noon – Mission and Communication Team Meeting

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

“GRACE means God Redeems And Christ Empowers!”

— Lailah Gifty Akita, Think Great: Be Great!

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH – CROYDON

3rd Sunday before Advent

6th November 2016

HYMN 1: 331 – The God of Abraham praise (vv 1-5)

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING – James Job 19: 23-27a

²³ “O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! ²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; ²⁶ and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, ²⁷ whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

PSALM FOR THE DAY 17 1-9

Exaudi, Domine

Hear the right, O Lord, consider my complaint : and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.
2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence : and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.
3 Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me : for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.
4 Because of men's works, that are done against the words of thy lips : I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.
5 O hold thou up my goings in thy paths : that my footsteps slip not.
6 I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me : incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.
7 Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee : from such as resist thy right hand.
8 Keep me as the apple of an eye : hide me under the shadow of thy wings,
9 From the ungodly that trouble me : mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.
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

**NEW TESTAMENT READING – Sheri
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Hymn 2: 83 – Loves redeeming work

GOSPEL READING - Luke 20:27-38

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸ and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.” ³⁴ Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

INTERCESSIONS – Percy

We Pray Especially This Week For:

*All the peoples of America
The immigration situation worldwide
The example set by people in positions of authority
People on the margins who feel there political voice is not heard.
Those in the Croydon Area affected by murder*

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind

or Spirit, Bianca (to be born) Ina Parkinson, Lyn Jackson, Margaret, Terry Crowther, Vanessa, Raymond, Elaine Dey , Margaret Bundy, Daniel Walters, Cheryl Thompson, Girish, Simon and Samantha, Coleen, Danielle, Rod, Christine C, Nicole, Tessa Carter, Ina, Tony, Jenny Prentice, Ron Thurgood, Avril Ward, Noel Scarlett, Clifton and Irene Myton, Walter, Eric, Geraldine Attwood, Enid Robinson, Agatha Evans, Jane Matthews, Ethel Miller, Marshall, Vivaldo, Marie Williams and her extended family and all those known to us

We pray for the souls of Sarah Awusede Amuah sister and sister-inlaw of Shirley and Tom, travelling for the funeral and also pray for the soul of Beauty – Murnell’s friend † RIP

We Give Thanks and Praise For:

*Glorious autumn colours
The crisp autumn light
The warmth of our homes
Our families, relatives and good friends
Kathryn and Doreen Sunday School leaders*

PEACE

**Offertory Hymn: 217- Be thou my guardian
The Hymns during Communion are
102 – My God how wonderful
151 – Our blest redeemer**

Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
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.

Hymn 6 : 194 – King of glory, King of peace