NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today 10am-11:30 – Naming and Circumcision of Jesus The Venerable Christopher Skilton Presiding and Preaching with Holy Anointing

Tues 3 Jan 9.30am-11am Play & Stay parents and babies in the choir room

with Kathryn

Weds 4 Jan 10am-10.45 Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful – Revd. Susan

Kylie Wheeler presiding

Fri 6 Jan 8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners

8pm Choir Practice – all welcome

Sat 7 Jan 10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings),

Weddings and all bookings

Sun 8 Jan 10am-11:30 – The Baptism of Christ – The Revd. Jim Jelley

Presiding and Preaching

11:45am Standing Committee in the Hall

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"As the old year retires and a new one is born, we commit into the hands of our Creator the happenings of the past year and ask for direction and guidance in the new one. May He grant us His grace, His tranquility and His wisdom!"

Peggy Toney Horton, Does God Want Us to Be Happy

"This is the new year the new you. You can pass through another year, coasting on cruise control. Or you can step out of your comfort zone, trying things you have never done before, & make 2017 as the year that you elevate from where you are & soar high. Make it happen!"

— <u>Pablo</u>

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Naming and Circumcision of Jesus 1st January 2017

HYMN 1: 39 - Angels from the Realms

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God,

whose blessed Son was circumcised in obedience to the law for our sake and given the Name that is above every name:

give us grace faithfully to bear his Name, to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit, and to proclaim him as the Saviour of the world;

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Ingrid Numbers 6: 22-27

²² The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

²⁴ The Lord bless you and keep you;

Psalm 8 vv 1-9

Domine, Dominus noster

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.
6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

7 All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

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

²³ Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

²⁵ the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

²⁶the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

²⁷ So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – Lilian – Galatians 4:4-7

⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Hymn 2: 42 –In the Bleak Midwinter GOSPEL READING – Luke 2:15-21

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." 16 So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹ After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Sermon – The Venerable Christopher Skilton

INTERCESSIONS – Barbara Truttero We Pray Especially This Week:

For celebrities who have died last year and all those who miss these icons in their lives.

For Britain in 2017

Once again, for the fly tipping situation in this area and our efforts to combat this.

For those families going through change at this time.

For the beginning of this church's 150th celebration year.

For those people who struggle with the cold weather.

For older people worried about their future.



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

Bradley, Lyn's daughter Claudine, Baby Willow, Ronald Windley, Bridget Alvin, Bianca (to be born in January) Julie Baxter, 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, Irene Myton, Eric, Geraldine Attwood, Enid Robinson, Agatha Evans, Jane Matthews, Ethel Miller, Marshall, and all those known to us

We pray for the soul of:

Clifton Myton † RIP

We Give Thanks and Praise:

For all that was good in our lives last year

For wonderful food and drink For the sharp bright winter weather For the hard work of our Serving Team For James Lewis' lovely Christmas day sermon

For all who worked hard at the Christmas Celebrations

For our relief clergy while Revd.
Catherine takes a hard earned rest

New Year Peace and Holy Anointing

Offertory Hymn: 33- Of the Father's Love Begotten

Communion Hymns.

Infant Holy - sheet Sing Lullaby - Choir

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,

whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Saviour:

grant that we who have shared in this sacrament of our salvation may live out our years in the power of the Name above all other names, 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.

Hymn 6 : God Rest you Merry Gentlemen - sheet