

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today	10am-11:30 – The Baptism of Christ – The Revd. Jim Jelley Presiding and Preaching 11:45am Standing Committee in the Hall
Tues 10 Jan	9.30am-11am Play & Stay parents and babies in the choir room with Kathryn 7:30pm – 9pm – Thank God It's Tuesday Revd. Catherine is back
Weds 11 Jan	10am-10.45 Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful –
Fri 13 Jan	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 8pm Choir Practice – all welcome
Sat 14 Jan	10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
Sun 15 Jan	10am-11:30 – Second Sunday of Epiphany – + Sunday School and Young People's Group

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“How do you know yourself to be a son of God in fact as well as in name?”

Answer: “Because I am baptized in the name of God the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.” - John Calvin (from his catechism)”

— **John Calvin**

“It is because baptism is a real insertion of human beings into the ascended manhood of Christ that the Church is Christ's own body, flesh of his flesh and bone of his bones.”

— **E.L. Mascall, The Mother of God: A Symposium**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

The Baptism of Christ

8th January 2017

HYMN 1: 198 – Ye Holy Angels Bright

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water
and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to
our calling as your adopted children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Murnell Isaiah 42: 1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

² He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;

³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a
dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the
earth; and the coastlands wait for his
teaching.

⁵ Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched
them out, who spread out the earth and
what comes from it, who gives breath to
the people upon it and spirit to those who
walk in it:

⁶ I am the Lord, I have called you in
righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the
people, a light to the nations, ⁷ to open the
eyes that are blind, to bring out the
prisoners from the dungeon, from the
prison those who sit in darkness.

⁸ I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I
give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

⁹ See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare; before they
spring forth, I tell you of them.

Psalm 29 vv 1-10

Afferte Domino

Bring unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring
young rams unto the Lord : ascribe unto
the Lord worship and strength.

² Give the Lord the honour due unto his
Name : worship the Lord with holy
worship.

³ It is the Lord that commandeth the
waters : it is the glorious God that maketh
the thunder.

⁴ It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the
voice of the Lord is mighty in operation :
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaketh the
cedar-trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the
cedars of Libanus.

⁶ He maketh them also to skip like a calf :
Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young
unicorn.

⁷ The voice of the Lord divideth the flames
of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the
wilderness: yea, the Lord shaketh the

wilderness of Cades.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes : in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood : and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people : the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

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 – Michael – Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people

and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Hymn 2: 144 – Come let us join our cheerful songs

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.

¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.” Then he consented.

¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Sermon – The Revd. Jim Jelley

INTERCESSIONS – Percival McCooke

We Pray Especially This Week:

For midwives and neonatal doctors and nurses

For new born babies everywhere

For those being called to serve God

For those being baptised this year

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 Give Thanks and Praise:

For those who cared for the sick and dying over the Christmas and New Year period
For teachers and children looking forward to the new term at school
For God’s gift of Nature
For our friends and neighbours
For our families

Offertory Hymn: 262– Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Communion Hymns.

246 – Just as I am without one plea

162 – Jesus where’er thy people meet

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation;
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.

Hymn 6 : 101- O worship the King