

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today	10am-11:30 – Second Sunday of Epiphany – + Sunday School and Young People’s Group
Tues 17 Jan	9.30am-11am Play & Stay parents and babies in the choir room with Kathryn 7:30pm – 9pm – Thank God It’s Tuesday 7:00pm – 9:00pm – PCC meeting in the vicarage
Weds 18 Jan	10am-10.45 Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful –
Fri 20 Jan	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 8pm Choir Practice – all welcome
Sat 21 Jan	10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
Sun 22 Jan	10am-11:30 – Third Sunday of Epiphany – + Sunday School Malcom Davies presents church picture 12 noon – Pastoral Action Team meeting

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“Sometimes we get stuck in patterns or reoccurring themes in our lives that require a shocking epiphany to give us the opportunity to see new possibilities and notice the obstacles that keep us from moving on.”

— **Kat Lahr, Anatomy Of Illumination**

“There’s nothing better when something comes and hits you and you think ‘YES!’”

— **J.K. Rowling**

*Would you go with Jesus if he came calling for **you** to leave your home and family?*

- **Anon**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Second Sunday of Epiphany

15th January 2017

HYMN 1: 147 – Crown Him with many crowns

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by
the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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 – Marie
Isaiah 49: 1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother’s womb he
named me. ²He made my mouth like a
sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he
hid me; he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
³And he said to me, “You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” ⁴But I
said, “I have labored in vain, I have spent
my strength for nothing and vanity; yet
surely my cause is with the Lord, and my
reward with my God.” ⁵And now the Lord
says, who formed me in the womb to be
his servant, to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
⁶he says, “It is too light a thing that you

should be my servant to raise up the tribes
of Jacob and to restore the survivors of
Israel; I will give you as a light to the
nations, that my salvation may reach to the
end of the earth.” ⁷Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the
nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see
and stand up, princes, and they shall
prostrate themselves, because of the Lord,
who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who
has chosen you.”

Psalm 40 vv 1-12

Expectans expectavi

I waited patiently for the Lord : and he
inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
2 He brought me also out of the horrible
pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my
feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth
: even a thanksgiving unto our God.
4 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put
their trust in the Lord.
5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope
in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud,
and to such as go about with lies.
6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous
works which thou hast done, like as be also
thy thoughts which are to us-ward : and yet
there is no man that ordereth them unto
thee.
7 If I should declare them, and speak of
them : they should be more than I am able
to express.
8 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest
not: but mine ears hast thou opened.

9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come, 10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God : I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.

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 –
1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— ⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— ⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymn 2: 312 – Jesus calls us

GOSPEL READING – John 1:29-42

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

INTERCESSIONS – Marie Williams

We Pray Especially This Week:

For a hopeful sense of the new year in settling back to usual routine

For those in our community back at work

For those in our community back at school

For those in this area whose garden walls have been vandalised

For appropriate use of email, twitter, Facebook etc.

For the inauguration of new president of USA and for world politics

For our PCC meeting for the first time this year

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

Mrs Trotman, Fitzroy, Denise, Bradley, Ronald Windley , Bridget Alvin, Julie Baxter, Lyn Jackson, Margaret, Terry Crowther, Vanessa, Raymond, Elaine Dey , Margaret Bundy, Daniel Walters, Cheryl Thompson, Girish, Simon, 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 better health news for Samantha

For more light at each end of the day

For films and film stars who influence our lives

For the hard work of Redva as churchwarden

Offertory Hymn:51– As with gladness

Communion Hymns.

272 – O God unseen yet ever near

249 – Take my life and let it be

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your
glory may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of 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 : 171- Thy hand O God has
guided**