NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

 Today
 10:00am-11:30am – Peter and Paul Apostles HC + Sunday

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Tues 4 July7:00am- 7.30am Morning Prayer9.30am-11am Play & Stay parents & babies - choir room7.30pm-9.00pm Night Prayer & Mindfulness meditation

- Weds 5 July10am-10.45am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful6:00pm-8pm Open Church
- Thurs 6 July7:30pm-8.00pm Evening Prayer8pm Deanery Synod at All Saints Upper Norwood Beulah Hill
SE19 3LS Revd Catherine to be commissioned as Area Dean!
- Friday 7 July8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners1.30pm Funeral of George Collis Croydon Crem8pm Choir Practice
- Sat 8 July10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings),
Weddings and all bookings
- Sun 9 July 10:00am-11:30am Trinity 4 HC + Sunday School

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"A pastor friend of mine said, "Our problem is that we no longer have martyrs. We only have celebrities."

- <u>Shane Claiborne</u>

"A martyrdom is always the design of God, for His love of men, to warn them and to lead them, to bring them back to His ways. It is never the design of man; for the true martyr is he who has become the instrument of God, who has lost his will in the will of God, and who no long desires anything for himself, not even the glory of being a martyr." — **T.S. Eliot, Murder in the Cathedral**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Peter and Paul Apostles Sunday 2nd July 2017

HYMN 1-2-New every morning

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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**

OT Reading – Zechariah 4: 1-6a, 10b-end – Elana

The angel who talked with me came again, and wakened me, as one is wakened from sleep. ² He said to me, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see a lampstand all of gold, with a bowl on the top of it; there are seven lamps on it, with seven lips on each of the lamps that are on the top of it. ³ And by it there are two olive trees, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left." ⁴I said to the angel who talked with me, "What are these, my lord?" ⁵ Then the angel who talked with me answered me, "Do you not know what these are?" I said, "No, my lord." ⁶He said to me, "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the Lord of hosts. ¹⁰ For whoever has despised the day of small things shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel.

"These seven are the eyes of the Lord, which range through the whole earth." ¹¹ Then I said to him, "What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?" ¹² And a second time I said to him, "What are these two branches of the olive trees, which pour out the oil through the two golden pipes?" ¹³ He said to me, "Do you not know what these are?" I said, "No, my lord." ¹⁴ Then he said, "These are the two anointed ones who stand by the Lord of the whole earth."

Psalm 125: vv 1-5

Qui confidunt

Israel.

They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever. 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore. 3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness. 4 Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good and true of heart. 5 As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

NT Reading – Acts 12:1- 11 Sylvia

12 About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church.² He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. ³After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) ⁴ When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. ⁶The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. ⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his wrists. ⁸The angel said to him, "Fasten your belt and put on your sandals." He did so. Then he said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." ⁹ Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ After they had passed the first

and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. ¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting."

Hymn 2: 233 – O Thou who camest

Gospel – Matthew 16: 13-19

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

INTERCESSIONS – Percival

We Pray Especially This Week:

For employment rights and pay in the public sector For the Grenfell Tower survivors

For those affected by the helicopter attack in Venezuela

For those taking exams and those awaiting exam results

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

Tiku Amin, Brenda, Veronica, baby Teddy, The Mendez family, Enid Jackson, Ethel Miller, Enid Robinson, Sarah, Sam Barker, Kimberline Alexander, Ron Ritchie, Mrs Trotman, Bradley, Bridget Alvin, Daniel Walters, Coleen, Rod, Christine C, Tessa Carter, Ina, Tony, Noel Scarlett, Irene Myton, Ron Thurgood, Avril Ward, our families, relatives, godchildren and close friends and all those known to us.

For the soul of George Collis +RIP and the family who mourn him

For all those who are mourning

appointment as Area Dean

We Give Thanks and Praise : For sunshine and rain for our gardens

For the creative and artistic talent at Holy Saviour For the musical talent of Lilian & Ron's family For the 12 churches in the Deanery of Croydon North & Revd Catherine's Offertory Hymn: 395 – Lord of all power Communion Hymns.

301 – How beauteous are their feet 176– Happy are they

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in 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: 375 – I danced for the scribe