NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10:00am- 11:30am – Epiphany 3 – Holy Communion +Sunday School – James Lewis to Preach 11.30 – 12noon Young People's own consultation 12 noon – 'Beyond 150 ^{th'} Action Team Meeting in Vicarage
Tues 23 Jan	7.00pm-7.30am - Morning Prayer
	6pm-7.30pm Croydon Citizens Visioning Event – in the In the church hall – some local schools and our Deanery churches discuss what we want to ask of our Council
	7:30-8:30pm – Night Prayer with mindfulness mediation
Weds 24 Jan	10am-10.45am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful
Thurs 25 Jan	6:00-7.00pm – Evening Prayer & Bible Study
Friday 26 Jan	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 8:00pm – Choir Practice - all are welcome
Sat 27 Jan	10am-11am Parish Office Cover for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
	6pm-10pm Kerala Cultural Educational Awards in Church Hall Revd Catherine is one of the Award givers
Sun 28 Jan	 10:00am- 11:30am – Epiphany 4 – Candlemas - Holy Communion +Sunday School – Paul Parmenter to Preach Please bring your own spare candles with you 12 noon – Pastoral Action Team Meeting -Catherine Wood of Attend will talk about End of Life support training

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"Create your own miracles; do what you think you cannot do."

- Roy T. Bennett

"What was wonderful about childhood is that anything in it was a wonder. It was not merely a world full of miracles; it was a miraculous world."

- G.K. Chesterton

"Sometimes we get caught up in trying to glorify God by praising what He can do and we lose sight of the practical point of what He actually does

do." — Dallas Willard

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Third Sunday of Epiphany Sunday 21st January 2018

HYMN 1-331 - The God of Abraham

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness

sustain us by your mighty power; 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

OT Reading - Genesis 14: 17-20 - Sue

¹⁷ After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸ And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. ¹⁹ He blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High maker of heaven and earth; ²⁰ and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

Psalm 128: 1-7

Beati omnes

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house.

4 Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.

5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.

7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.

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

NT Reading – Revelation 19: 6-10 - Marie

⁶Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunderpeals, crying out,

"Hallelujah!
For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.

Tet us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has
come, and his bride has made
herself ready;

to her it has been granted to be
clothed
with fine linen, bright and pure"—
for the fine linen is the righteous
deeds of the saints.

⁹ And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are true words of God."

¹⁰ Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

Hymn 2: 356 – Father, Lord of all creation

Gospel - John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water iars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

INTERCESSIONS – Marie We Pray Especially This Week:

- For all affected by Corillian Construction financial problems
- For all abuse of power in the work place, within families and within relationships
- For those afraid of knife crime in Croydon
- For those who grieve still born babies
- For Elmwood Infant School
- for the safe return of Alison from Barbados
- For Ingrid's aunt who has had a stroke

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

All who live at 44 Kimberley Rd, Murnell Morrant, Rose Lawrence & family, Shirley Amuah, Miriam Kolandawel, Lyn Edwards, Jignasha Patel, Natalie, , Jennifer, Sheila Richardson, Girish, Tiku Amin, Brenda, baby Teddy, Enid Jackson, Ethel Miller, Pat & Enid Robinson, Sam Barker, Mrs Trotman, Bradley, Bridget Alvin, Josephine & Daniel Walters, Coleen, Christine C, The Mendez family, Tessa Carter, Ina Parkinson, Tony, Noel Scarlett, Irene Myton, Ron Thurgood, Avril Ward, & and all those known to us

+The soul of Gary...Rose Kapito's brother (Gloria's uncle). +The soul of Claude Neville...and his sons Kevin & Gary who mourn. For the soul of Zareych who died aged 4 and her mother Ayoolawho mourns (Mitzi's niece).

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For Croydon's bid to be the first borough of culture in 2019
- For local art, dance and music
- For more sunshine this week
- For the fruitful PCC meeting this week
- For the flowers in church from Dan, Shirley & Miriam

Offertory Hymn: 53 – Songs of thankfulness and praise

Communion Hymns 249 – Take my life and let it be 272 – O God unseen yet ever near

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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 - 239- Forth in Thy name