NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

- Today10:00am 11:30am First Sunday of Lent Holy
Communion + Sunday School
12 noon Beyond 150 Heritage and Connect Meeting
- Tues 20 Feb
 7.00pm-7.30am
 - Morning Prayer

 7:30-9.00pm LENT COURSE WITH FILM in Vicarage
- Weds 21 Feb10am-10.45am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful
12:30pm Funeral in Church Charmaine Moran
- Thurs 22 Feb 6:00-6.30pm Evening Prayer
- Friday 23 Feb 8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners
- Sat 24 Feb10am-11am Parish Office Cover for baptisms (Christenings),
Weddings and all bookings
- Sun 25 Feb10:00am 11:30am Second Sunday of Lent Holy
Communion + Sunday School + Learning Lent reflection on
'Selflessness' by Mitzi + James Lewis to Preach

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"Laws and principles are not for the times when there is no temptation: they are for such moments as this, when body and soul rise in mutiny against their rigour ... If at my convenience I might break them, what would be their worth?"

— Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre

"... the devil doesn't come dressed in a red cape and pointy horns. He comes as everything you've ever wished for ..."

— <u>Tucker Max</u>,

"Temptation is the feeling we get when encountered by an opportunity to do what we innately know we shouldn't."

— <u>Steve Maraboli</u>

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON First Sunday of Lent Sunday 18th February 2018

HYMN 1- 56– Forty days and forty nights

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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**

5 MINS LEARNING LENT REFLECTION – 'RESISTING DESIRES' - LILIAN THURGOOD

OT Reading – Genesis 9: 8-17– Marie

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹² God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant

that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷ God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Psalm 25: 1-9

Ad te, Domine, levavi

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee : O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

² For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed : but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

³ Shew me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.

⁴ Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me : for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

⁵ Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies : and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

⁶ O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

⁷ Gracious and righteous is the Lord : therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

⁸ Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement : and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

⁹ All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth : unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

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 – 1 Peter 3: 18-22 – Sue

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Hymn 2: 113– Father hear the prayer we offer

Gospel – Mark 1: 9-15c- James

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water. he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven. "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." ¹² And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."



INTERCESSIONS – Marie We Pray Especially This Week:

- For patience & kindness for all we love

- For our Lent commitments to give up old habits and to take up new things

- For mother and fathers in their difficult decisions in parenting.

- For grandparents who help bring up their grandchildren

- For those who are pregnant or wanting to start a family

- For Tessa Carter and her ongoing illness We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:

Ingrid's relative, Paulina Larios-Vazquez Maria's daughter, Christopher Strevens, Lyn Edwards, Rose Lawrence & family, 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, Denise Mendez, Ina Parkinson, Tony, Noel Scarlett, Irene Myton, Ron Thurgood, Avril Ward, & and all those known to us

+ The soul of Elizabeth Williams – Michael William's wife. The soul of Janet Ogunduyilemi. The soul of Rebecca Corrall 'Becky'. For all those who are mourning.

We Give Thanks and Praise :

The birth of baby Tyler to Charlene &
Courtney married here last year.
For the good times in half term
For good attendance at our Ash

Wednesday services

- For the work of Mitzi our SPA

Offertory Hymn: 55 – Christian dost thou see them

Communion Hymns 27– On Jordan's bank 129 – Lord Jesus think on me

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; 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 – 148– At the name of Jesus

