

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10:00am- 11:30am – Second Sunday before Lent - Holy Communion + Anointing + Sunday School +Judith is preaching 11:30am – Young peoples’ leaders’ meeting 12 noon – Mission and Communication Action Team Meeting
Tues 6 Feb	7.00pm-7.30am - Morning Prayer 6:30pm – Faith Action Team Meeting in the choir room 7:30-8:30pm – Night Prayer with mindfulness mediation
Weds 7 Feb	10am-10.45am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful
Thurs 8 Feb	6:00-6.30pm – Evening Prayer
Friday 9 Feb	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 6:00pm – 9pm – Muslim / Christian talks and dinner at the St James’ Road Mosque 8:00pm-9:00pm – Choir Practice all are welcome
Sat 10 Feb	10am-11am Parish Office Cover for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings 7:00pm – 9:00pm Fish & chips, Quiz and Singalong
Sun 11 Feb	10:00am- 11:30am – Sunday before Lent - Holy Communion + Sunday School – Racial Justice Sunday 12 noon – Building and Finance Meeting

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields, that it kisses them so gently? And then it covers them up snug, you know, with a white quilt; and perhaps it says, “Go to sleep, darlings, till the summer comes again.”

— **Lewis Carroll, Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland & Through the Looking-Glass**

“We know that God is everywhere; but certainly we feel His presence most when His works are on the grandest scale spread before us; and it is in the unclouded night-sky, where His worlds wheel their silent course, that we read clearest His infinitude, His omnipotence, His omnipresence.”

— **Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Second Sunday before Lent Sunday 4th February 2018

HYMN 1- 105 – All creatures of our God and King

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

OT Reading – Proverbs 8: 1,22–31 – Lilian

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice? ²² The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world’s first bits of soil. ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker;

and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

Psalm 104: 26-36

²⁶ There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan: whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

²⁷ These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

²⁸ When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

²⁹ When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

³⁰ When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

³¹ The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

³² The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

³³ I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.

³⁵ As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : ³⁶ Praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

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 – Colossians 1: 15-20 – Barbara

¹⁵ Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.



22. Snowdrop.

Hymn 2: 106— Lord the beauty thine the splendour

Gospel – John 1: 1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him.

⁸ He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹ The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.

¹¹ He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him.

¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

INTERCESSIONS – Dan

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For those is affected by gender equality issues and debates.

- For those who are anxious and stressed

- For our local street sweepers

- For building developments in Croydon

- For our young people in church

- For Bishop Christopher & Bishop Jonathan

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

Joanne & Kathleen. All who live at 44 Kimberley Rd, Murnell Marrant, Rose Lawrence & family, Rose & Gloria, 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, & all those known to us

+ The soul of Elizabeth Williams – Michael William's wife. + The souls of Primrose and Trevor – Avril's friends. For all who are mourning.

We Give Thanks and Praise :

- For the gift of life, health and spiritual strength

- For pets - the joy given to our lives

- For our homes and heating

- For Deanery Synod last

week...discussed Housing issues

- For our 'after church Coffee volunteers

Offertory Hymn: 148 – At the name of Jesus

Communion Hymns

199– Immortal, Invisible

477 – Jesus we thus obey

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; 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 – 180– Thou whose almighty word