

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10:00am-11:30am – Trinity 13 -HC + Sunday School 12 noon – Mission Action Team meeting
Tues 28 Aug	7:00am-7:30am – Morning Prayer 7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer with Mindfulness meditation
Weds 29 Aug	10am-10.45am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful 7pm-8pm Wedding Blessing Rehearsal Peter & Lisa
Thurs 23 Aug	6:00-7:00pm – Evening Prayer
Friday 31 Aug	8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners
Sat 1 Sept	10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings 2pm Wedding Blessing Peter and Lisa
Sun 2 Sept	10:00am-11:30am – Trinity 14 -HC + Sunday School + Revd Raewynne Whiteley guest preacher on Vocations 11:45am – Standing Committee Meeting

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“...The words testament and covenant are virtually synonymous in their theological usage, the Latin definition of testamentum being "a covenant with God, holy scripture." Thus, the Old and New Testaments, as we commonly refer to them, are written testimonies or witnesses (the Latin testis meaning "witness") of the covenants between God and man in various dispensations.”

— **Jeffrey R. Holland**

“Man approaches God most nearly when he is in one sense least like God. For what can be more unlike than fullness and need, sovereignty and humility, righteousness and penitence, limitless power and a cry for help?”

— **C.S. Lewis, The Four Loves**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

13th Sunday of Trinity

Sunday 26th August 2018

**Processional Hymn- 210 – Oft in danger,
oft in woe**

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

OT Reading – Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18 Jenny

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ²And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴“Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” ¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods;

¹⁷for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

Psalm 34: vv 15-22

15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.
16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.
19 Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.
20 He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.
21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

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 – Ephesians 6: 10–20 Lilian

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵ As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message

may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Gradual Hymn: 312 – Jesus calls us

Gospel – John 6: 56-69

⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹ He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. ⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹ But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵ And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” ⁶⁶ Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him,

“Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

**INTERCESSIONS – Christine B
We Pray Especially This Week:**

-For the people of Kerela in India during the unprecedented flooding.

-For Kerela Cultural Welfare Association in this area and for our collaborative work.

-For all those who received GCSE results this week and their families.

-For those with dementia in care homes.

-For Mitzi as she travels away and James & Maria as they travel back!

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind

or Spirit: *Pearl – B’s sister, Mona – A’s mother, Chabhan, Aisha, Sidney H, the Gibson family, Steve, Edmund M, Alexander & Vida, Tinashe, Tabitha & relatives, Feodora, David and Valerie, Michael & Neville, Rose L & family, Natalie, Jennifer, Girish, Brenda, baby Teddy, Enid J, Ethel M, Pat & Enid R, Bradley, Bridget A, Josephine W, Coleen, Christine C, Denise M, Tessa C, Ina P, Tony, Noel S, Irene M, Ron T, Avril W, and all those we love. We pray for all in our congregation*

† The souls of Sam Barker & Oliver Roberts and we pray for all those mourning.

We Give Thanks and Praise :

*For all who bring flowers to church
For baby Andre to be baptised this afternoon*

*-For the work of our Churchwardens,
Treasurer and PCC Secretary*

-For the parish trip to Brighton – all who came and to Social Events Team.

Offertory Hymn: 95 – Holy, Holy, Holy

Communion Hymns.

160 – We love this place, O Lord

272 – O God unseen, yet ever near

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven:

let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; 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.

Recessional Hymn: 219 – Soldiers of Christ arise