

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	10:00am-11:30am – Baptism of Christ HC + Sunday School 11.45am MAT chat with Lois of Nehemiah Charity 12 Noon – HCM Meeting in the Choir Room
Tues 15 Jan	7.am-7.30am – Morning Prayer 7:pm – 9pm PCC meeting in the Vicarage 7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer with mindfulness mediation
Weds 16 Jan	10am-10.45am Holy Communion – Peaceful and Prayerful <i>11.15 Funeral of Margaret Gadd at Croydon Crem</i>
Thurs 17 Jan	6pm-6.45pm Evening Prayer
Fri 18 Jan	7.30am-3pm Community Payback 1pm Funeral in church of Walter Newton
Sat 19 Jan	10am-11am Parish Office 11:00am – 12:30pm Servers' Training
Sun 20 Jan	10:00am-11:30am – Epiphany 3 + Sunday School + YPIG & 'meet the PCC' 12 Noon – B&F Meeting in the Choir Room

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“It is because baptism is a real insertion of human beings into the ascended manhood of Christ that the Church is Christ's own body, flesh of his flesh and bone of his bones.”

— E.L. Mascall, **The Mother of God: A Symposium**

“Prominent Christians in Constantine's time waited to be baptized until their deathbeds lest they commit a "major" sin that couldn't be forgiven of those already baptized.”

Thomas F. Madden, From Jesus to Christianity: A History of the Early Church
Next Sunday's Readings – Epiphany 3

Isaiah 62 – vv 1-5

1 Corinthians 12 – vv 1-11

John 2 – vv 1-11

36 – vv 5-10

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Epiphany 2 - The Baptism of Christ

Sunday 13th January 2019

Good Morning! Please follow the booklet for the start of this service.

HYMN 1: 198 – Ye Holy Angels bright

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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 – Isaiah 43: 1-7 James

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, “Give them up,” and to the south, “Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the

end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

Psalm 29 vv 1-10

Afferte Domino

Bring unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord : ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

2 Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name : worship the Lord with holy worship.
3 It is the Lord that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation : the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf : Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness: yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes : in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood : and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people : the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

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 – Acts 8: 14-17 Jenny

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Hymn 2: 144 – Come let us join

Gospel – Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his

threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."



Baptism is a Christian rite of admission and adoption, almost invariably with the use of water, into Christianity.

INTERCESSIONS – Barbara

We Pray Especially This Week:

-For the presence of the Holy Spirit in the USA and their government

-For the presence of the Holy Spirit at proceedings in the UK Parliament.

-For those affected by the fire at a storage unit in Croydon

-For Ernestine in her birthday week

- For Musole in his developing role

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

Brenda, Billy, Ceilidh, Christopher, Uncle Ron, Liam, Darren & Lina, Egjo, Trevor & family, Ernestine, Edith, Anthony, Lloyd,, Simon & Samantha and Zak,, Pat, Mona, Sidney, Steve, Alexander & Vida, Tabitha & Tinashe, Feodora,, Girish, Brenda, Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bradley, Bridget, Josephine, Christine, Tessa, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril and all those we love. We pray for all in our congregation

† We pray for the souls of Krishnan, Violet, Shatiba, Walter, James, Sheryl, & we pray for all those mourning.

We Give Thanks and Praise :

-For the days slowly becoming lighter

-For the Baptism of baby Kyrie last week

-For the beginnings of recovery for Zak

-For Cassius talent in playing the saxophone and the help of Sylvia

- For Christine's work with Mission Action Team

Offertory – 262 – Alleluia sing to Jesus

Communion Hymns.

246– Just as I am

162– Jesus where'er thy people meet

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; 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.

Final Hymn: 101 – O worship the King