

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

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| Today | 10:00am-11:30am – 2 nd Sunday before Lent +James Lewis to preach+ Revd Sara Goatcher to Preside |
| Tues 26 Feb | 7.00am – Morning Prayer 7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer with mindfulness mediation |
| Weds 27 Feb | 10am-10.45am Holy Communion – Peaceful and Prayerful 11am -12 noon– Meeting with Churchwardens |
| Thurs 28 Feb | 6:00pm-6.30pm Evening Prayer |
| Friday 1 Mar | 8.30am-3.30pm Community Payback Gardeners 6-7pm – Choir practice – anyone is welcome |
| Sat 2 Mar | 10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings 7.30pm-9.00pm Fish and Chips Social and Quiz |
| Sun 3 Mar | 10:00am-11:30am –Sunday before Lent + Sunday School 11.45am – Standing Committee Meeting 12 Noon – HCM Meeting |

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“I think God, in creating man, somewhat overestimated his ability.”
— *Oscar Wilde*

“The creation of the world did not take place once and for all time, but takes place every day.”
— *Samuel Beckett, Proust*

Next Sunday's Readings – Sunday before Lent

Exodus 34 – vv 29-35
2 Corinthians 3 – vv 12-4.2
Luke 9 – vv 28-36
Psalm 99 – vv 1-9

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

Second Sunday before Lent

Sunday 24th February 2019

HYMN 1: 95 – Holy, Holy, Holy

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**

Genesis 2 – vv 4b-9, 15-25 - Jenny

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵ when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; ⁶ but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— ⁷ then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. ⁸ And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹ Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. ¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge

of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” ¹⁸ Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” ¹⁹ So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹ So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” ²⁴ Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Psalm 65 vv 1-14

Te decet hymnus

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.

³ My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.

⁴ Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

⁵ Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

⁶ Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains: and is girded about with power.

⁷ Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

⁸ They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens : thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

⁹ Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.

¹⁰ The river of God is full of water : thou prearest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

¹¹ Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof : thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

¹² Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.

¹³ They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

¹⁴ The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

**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 4 – vv 1-11

Barbara

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." ² At once I was in the spirit¹ and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! ³ And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. ⁴ Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. ⁵ Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; ⁶ and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: ⁷ the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. ⁸ And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, "Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come." ⁹ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, ¹¹ "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

Hymn 2: 224 – Lead us Heavenly Father

Gospel: Luke 8 – vv 22-25 Mitzi

²² One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they put out, ²³ and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴ They went to him and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵ He said to them, "Where is your faith?" They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?"

INTERCESSIONS – Christine

We Pray Especially This Week:

*-For integrity in our Members of Parliament.
-For ordinary people angry and anxious about the uncertain future of this country.
-For those exasperated about the continued state of rubbish & litter on our local streets.
-For those in unstable situations – money, housing, relationships.*

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or

Spirit: *Tevin, Brenda, Barbara, Denise, Chris W, Sabir, Steve, Veronica, Sylvester, Mohammed, Geraldine & children, Viola, the Noble family, Uncle Ron, Liam, Darren & Lina, Trevor & family, Ernestine, Edith, Anthony, Lloyd, Simon & Samantha and Zak,, Pat, Mona, Sidney, Alexander, Tinashe, Feodora, Girish, Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bradley, Bridget, Josephine, Christine, Tessa, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril & those we love.*

† We pray for the souls of Elsie Wren, Joan Raine, Vida, Doreen, Natalie Uncle Kelly, Violet, Lilybell, Zenora, Shatiba, James, Sheryl, & we pray for all those mourning.

We Give Thanks and Praise :

*-For the baptism of adult Billy last week.
-For the City Churches Outing on Weds
-For the Young People's Deanery Residential this weekend
-For signs of spring and warmer weather
- Half term rest and activities.
- For God's faithfulness to us.*

Offertory –117 – Praise to the Holiest

Communion Hymns.

**225– Fierce raged the tempest
HHS 8– Amazing Grace**

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.

Final Hymn 292– Eternal Father strong to save