

## NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Today</b>	<b>10:00am – 11:30am</b> – Mothering Sunday – All Together Service +Holy Communion + Cream tea
<b>Tues 2 Apr</b>	<b>8.00pm-8.30am</b> - Morning Prayer <b>6:30pm-8.30pm</b> Public Spirit Deanery Young People’s Assembly at St Paul’s Church Thornton Heath CR7 8NB (no Night Prayer & meditation)
<b>Weds 3 Apr</b>	<b>10am-10.45am</b> Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful <i>12.45pm Funeral of Pamela Hartwell Croydon Crem</i>
<b>Thurs 4 Apr</b>	<b>6:00-6.30pm</b> – Evening Prayer <b>7:00-8:30pm</b> – Lent Course 3 – Healing in Vicarage
<b>Fri 5 Apr</b>	<b>8.30am-3.30pm</b> Community Payback Gardeners <b>8pm</b> Choir Practice – all welcome
<b>Sat 6 Apr</b>	<b>10am-11am</b> Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings <b>12.30pm</b> Our Annual Church inspection
<b>Sun 7 April</b>	<b>10:00am-11:30am</b> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sun of Lent + Passiontide Starts+ Sunday School

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### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“I won't try to describe how deeply I mourn her passing still. I know that she was the kindest, most generous spirit I have ever known, and that what is best in me I owe to her.”

— **Barack Obama, Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance**

“She was her own Enigma Code and me and my dad were not Bletchley Park.” — **Jeanette Winterson, Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?**

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### Next Sunday's Readings – Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins

*Isaiah 43 – vv 16-21*

*Philippians 3 – vv 4b –14*

*John 12 – vv 1-8*

*Psalm 126 – vv 1-7*

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## HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

### Mothering Sunday

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

#### HYMN 1: 104– For the beauty

#### COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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 – Exodus 2: 1-10– Christine

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman.

<sup>2</sup>The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months.

<sup>3</sup>When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. <sup>4</sup>His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

<sup>5</sup>The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. <sup>6</sup>When

she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. <sup>7</sup>Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” <sup>8</sup>Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. <sup>9</sup>Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. <sup>10</sup>When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

#### Psalm 34: 11-20

<sup>11</sup> Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

<sup>12</sup> What man is he that lusteth to live : and would fain see good days?

<sup>13</sup> Keep thy tongue from evil : and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

<sup>14</sup> Eschew evil, and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.

<sup>15</sup> The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.

<sup>16</sup> The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out

the remembrance of them from the earth.

<sup>17</sup> The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

<sup>18</sup> The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

<sup>19</sup> Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

<sup>20</sup> He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

***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 – 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 Sue**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, <sup>4</sup> who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. <sup>5</sup> For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. <sup>6</sup> If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. <sup>7</sup> Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

**Hymn 2: 116 – All things bright and beautiful**

**Gospel – Luke 2: 33-35 Mitzi**

<sup>33</sup> And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup> so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."



**INTERCESSIONS – Barbara**

***We Pray Especially This Week:***

- *For our Parliament in their decisions for this country*

- *Continue to pray for those affected by floods in Mozambique & Zimbabwe*

- *For racism and prejudice at world football matches and events*

- *For young people caught up in the wave of local street crime.*

- *For Elmwood Care Home staff.*

***We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:*** Christine C, Miriam,

Liz R, Rose N, Pam – Sue's friend, Brenda, Denise, Steve, Ernestine, Edith, Anthony, Lloyd, Simon & Samantha and Zak,, Pat, Mona, Sidney, Alexander, Tinashe, Feodora, Girish, Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bradley, Bridget, Josephine, Tessa, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril & those we love. *We pray for all the congregation.*

† *We pray for the souls of Len Smith, Pamela Hartwell, Wilfred Cotterell, Iris Stewart, Elsie Wren & we pray for all those mourning.*

***We Give Thanks and Praise:***

- *For the daffodils and tulips 'laughing' in the spring*

- *For music we love and that inspires*

- *For the England football team doing well at the moment.*

- *For Redva's work on maintaining the church building.*

- *For mother's and those who are like mothers to us.*

**Offertory Hymn: 394 – Lord of all hopefulness**

**Communion Hymns.**

**360– For Mary mother**

**HHS 50 – Make me a channel**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; 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 : 205 – Now thank we all our God**