

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today	10:00 – 11:30am - Sixth Sunday of Easter – we are Altogether Reader James Lewis preaching + talk by charity Christian Family Concern 12.30 Baptism of Oreque
Tues 28 May	6pm – 7:30pm Confirmation Session 5 in church 7.30pm-8.30pm Night Prayer & Meditation
Wed 29 May	10am-11am Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful
Thurs 30 May	6pm-7pm Ascension Day Evening Prayers in church
Sat 1 June	10am-11am Parish Office open for Baptisms/Christenings; Weddings and Hall bookings 2:30pm-3.30pm servers and communion assistants' rehearsal 3:30pm -4.45pm – candidates' rehearsal 4:00pm – Choir rehearsal 5:30pm – Deanery Confirmation service conducted by Bishop Jonathan – please support the candidates After the service – social event in the hall
Sund 2 June	10.00-11.30am Ascension Holy Communion Service With reflection given by Marie Williams

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

“Oliver Cromwell banned kissing on Sundays---even for married couples---
on pain of a prison sentence.”

— **Mitchell Symons, *That Book: ...of Perfectly Useless Information***

“Sabbath observance invites us to stop. It invites us to rest. It asks us to notice
that while we rest, the world continues without our help. It invites us to delight
in the world's beauty and abundance.”

— **Wendell Berry**

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HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH – CROYDON Sixth Sunday of Easter – 26th May 2019

**HYMN 1- 266 – We hail Thy presence
glorious**

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God our redeemer, you have delivered
us from the power of darkness and
brought us into the kingdom of your
Son: grant, that as by his death he has
recalled us to life, so by his continual
presence in us he may raise us to eternal
joy; 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**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Barbara

Ezekiel 37 : 1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me,
and he brought me out by the spirit of
the Lord and set me down in the middle
of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led
me all around them; there were very
many lying in the valley, and they were
very dry. ³ He said to me, “Mortal, can
these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord
God, you know.” ⁴ Then he said to me,
“Prophesy to these bones, and say to
them: O dry bones, hear the word of the
Lord. ⁵ Thus says the Lord God to these
bones: I will cause breath to enter you,
and you shall live. ⁶ I will lay sinews on
you, and will cause flesh to come upon
you, and cover you with skin, and put
breath in you, and you shall live; and you
shall know that I am the Lord.” ⁷ So I
prophesied as I had been commanded;

and as I prophesied, suddenly there was
a noise, a rattling, and the bones came
together, bone to its bone.

⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on
them, and flesh had come upon them,
and skin had covered them; but there
was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to
me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy,
mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says
the Lord God: Come from the four
winds, O breath, and breathe upon these
slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰ I prophesied
as he commanded me, and the breath
came into them, and they lived, and
stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹ Then he said to me, “Mortal, these
bones are the whole house of Israel.
They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and
our hope is lost; we are cut off
completely.’ ¹² Therefore prophesy, and
say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I
am going to open your graves, and bring
you up from your graves, O my people;
and I will bring you back to the land of
Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am
the Lord, when I open your graves, and
bring you up from your graves, O my
people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you,
and you shall live, and I will place you on
your own soil; then you shall know that I,
the Lord, have spoken and will act, says
the Lord.”

Psalm 67 vv 1-7

Deus misereatur

God be merciful unto us, and bless us :
and shew us the light of his
countenance, and be merciful unto us:
2 That thy way may be known upon
earth : thy saving health among all
nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God :
yea, let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad
: for thou shalt judge the folk
righteously, and govern the nations
upon earth.

5 Let the people praise thee, O God :
let all the people praise thee.

6 Then shall the earth bring forth her
increase : and God, even our own God,
shall give us his blessing.

7 God shall bless us : and all the ends
of the world shall fear him.

***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***

NEW TESTAMENT READING - Pearl

Acts 16 : 9-15

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision:
there stood a man of Macedonia
pleading with him and saying, "Come
over to Macedonia and help us."
¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we
immediately tried to cross over to
Macedonia, being convinced that God
had called us to proclaim the good
news to them. ¹¹ We set sail from
Troas and took a straight course to
Samothrace, the following day to
Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi,
which is a leading city of the district of

Macedonia and a Roman colony. We
remained in this city for some days.
¹³ On the Sabbath day we went outside
the gate by the river, where we
supposed there was a place of prayer;
and we sat down and spoke to the
women who had gathered there.
¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a
worshiper of God, was listening to us;
she was from the city of Thyatira and a
dealer in purple cloth. The Lord
opened her heart to listen eagerly to
what was said by Paul. ¹⁵ When she
and her household were baptized, she
urged us, saying, "If you have judged
me to be faithful to the Lord, come
and stay at my home." And she
prevailed upon us.

**Hymn 2 – 157- Breathe on me breath
of God**

GOSPEL READING - John 5 : 1-9 Mitzi

After this there was a festival of the
Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
² Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate
there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-
zatha, which has five porticoes. ³ In
these lay many invalids—blind, lame,
and paralyzed. ⁵ One man was there
who had been ill for thirty-eight years.
⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and
knew that he had been there a long
time, he said to him, "Do you want to
be made well?" ⁷ The sick man
answered him, "Sir, I have no one to
put me into the pool when the water
is stirred up; and while I am making
my way, someone else steps down
ahead of me." ⁸ Jesus said to him,
"Stand up, take your mat and walk."

⁹ At once the man was made well, and he
took up his mat and began to walk.
Now that day was a Sabbath.

Prayers of Intercession – Christine B

We Pray Especially This Week:

- *For our Prime Minister and the next few
weeks in parliament*
- *For those overstretched and under
resourced in the NHS.*
- *for those who lose their jobs on
religious grounds.*
- *for the teenager stabbed outside St
Oswald's church, Norbury.*
- *For the Deanery Confirmation at Holy
Saviour this coming Saturday and for all
those to be Confirmed.*

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind

or Spirit Sorrayan, Shirley A, Vincent,
Veronica, Aunt Hyacinth, Liz R, Rose N,
Pam, Uncle Ron, Brenda, Denise &
Christina, Denise & Mia & 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. *And all those we love.*

*† We pray for the souls of Steve Hoare
and Alma Murinda. And we pray for all
who are mourning.*

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- *For fine weather and roses blooming*
- *For our mini-parish pilgrimage to St
Peter & St Paul's Chaldon in Caterham*
- *For the institution of Fr Sean Gilbert as
Vicar at St Alban's Thornton Heath.*
- *For all the good people at Holy Saviour
church and all they do.*

**Offertory Hymn – 179 – God of
mercy, God of grace**

Communion Hymns

**93 – Come Holy Ghost our souls
inspire**
403 – Now let us from this table

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ
gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you, the spring of life
and source of goodness, through him
who is alive and reigns, now and for
ever. **Amen**

The 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 – HHS 14 – And can it be
that I should gain**