#### NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Today10am-11:30 10am-11:30am Second Sunday of Epiphany +<br/>Archdeacon Chris Skilton Presiding + Sunday School and Young<br/>People's Group Eco-sermon-slot. After the service, a chance to<br/>say farewell to the Archdeacon with refreshments
- Tues 21 Jan8:00am-8:30am Morning Prayer6pm-8pmPublic Spirit win an award at South London Citizens<br/>Notre Dame School Elephant & Castle7:30pm 8:30pm Night Prayer with mindfulness and<br/>meditation
- Weds 22 Jan10am-10.45 Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful –<br/>7.30pm Deanery Leadership Team at Vicarage
- Thurs 23 Jan6:00pm-6.30pm Evening Prayer
- Sat 25 Jan10am-11am Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings),<br/>Weddings and all bookings
- Sun 26 Jan10am-11:30 Third Sunday of Epiphany + Sunday School<br/>With guest priest Revd Peter Jones12 noon Pastoral Action Team meeting in Choir room<br/>12.30-2.30pm Public Spirit Young People & leaders<br/>at Holy Saviour in Church

#### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"Sometimes we get stuck in patterns or reoccurring themes in our lives that require a shocking epiphany to give us the opportunity to see new possibilities and notice the obstacles that keep us from moving on."

#### - Kat Lahr, Anatomy Of Illumination

"There's nothing better when something comes and hits you and you think

#### 'YES'!" — J.K. Rowling

Would you go with Jesus if he came calling for you to leave your home and family? - **Anon** 

#### Next Sunday's Readings – Epiphany 3 Isaiah 9– vv 1-4 – 1 Corinthians 1–1.-18 - Matthew 4 – vv 12-23 Psalm 27 – vv 1,4-12

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# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Second Sunday of Epiphany 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020 With guest President The Venerable Christopher Skilton Archdeacon of Croydon at his last service with us

# HYMN 1: 142 – Hail to the Lord's anointed

#### COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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 – Sheri Isaiah 49: 1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. <sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." <sup>4</sup> But I said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." <sup>5</sup> And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength— <sup>6</sup> he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." <sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

#### Psalm 40 vv 1-12

#### Expectans expectavi

I waited patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.
4 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put

their trust in the Lord.

5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward : and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.

7 If I should declare them, and speak of them : they should be more than I am able to express.

8 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.

9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come, 10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God : I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.

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 – Sue – 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Paul. called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup> just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - 7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Hymn 2: 345 – Christ is the King

### GOSPEL READING – John 1:29-42 Marie

<sup>29</sup>The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared. "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said. 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup> And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." <sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them. "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said. "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

# INTERCESSIONS – Marie Williams We Pray Especially This Week:

- For those affected by the strong winds earlier this week
- For those in Australia affected by the fires especially farmers

- For the Royal family especially in the light of Meghan & Harry

- For those who find January difficult

We Pray for those Unwell in Body,

Mind or Spirit: Cousin Zen, Cousin Michael, Geraldine, Gordon, Cousin Abisha, The Lyle family, Feyemi, Murleen, Pamphilia, all those at 44 Kimberley, Ishmael, Mayfair & baby Jacob, Feodora, Lauren, Maria, Alison, Mother Jean Y, Miriam, Brenda, Denise, Denise, Mia & Ernestine, Simon and Samantha, Pat, Mona, Tinashe, Girish, Enid, Ethel , Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril. And all those we love

The souls of Yvonne Trotman SPA & Daniel Collins. We pray in loving memory of Daphne T. and Alec L and we pray for all those mourning.

## We Give Thanks and Praise:

For the baptisms of Daniel, Daniella, Davina & Darren last week
For relatives and friends who support us in hard times

- For the caring service of Archdeacon Chris to this church and to our Deanery

# Offertory Hymn: 53– Songs of thankfulness

Communion Hymns. Choir – Fairest Lord Jesus HHS 20 – Jesus is Lord

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of 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 : 192- Praise my soul