

## NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Today</b>	<b>10am-11:30</b> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany – Candlemas + Anointing + Sunday School <b>12 noon-1.15pm</b> – Faith Action Team Meeting
<b>Tues 4 Feb</b>	<b>8:00am-8:30am</b> – Morning Prayer <b>7:30pm – 8:30pm</b> – Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation
<b>Weds 5 Feb</b>	<b>10am-10.45</b> Holy Communion peaceful & prayerful –
<b>Thurs 6 Feb</b>	<b>8pm-9.30pm</b> Deanery Synod with speaker Peter Graystone On ‘confidence’. At St Paul’s Thornton Heath St Paul’s Rd CR7 8NB
<b>Sat 8 Feb</b>	<b>10am-11am</b> Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings <b>2pm-4pm</b> – Senior’s Mix and Mingle in the hall
<b>Sun 9 Feb</b>	<b>10am-11:30</b> – Third Sunday before Lent + Sunday School <b>12 noon</b> – Mission Action Team meeting

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### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

*“Rivers know this: there is no hurry. We shall get there some day.”*

— **A.A. Milne, Winnie-the-Pooh**

*“A waiting person is a patient person. The word patience means the willingness to stay where we are and live the situation out to the full in the belief that something hidden there will manifest itself to us.”*

— **Henri J.M. Nouwen**

*“Patience, he thought. So much of this was patience - waiting, and thinking and doing things right. So much of all this, so much of all living was patience and thinking.”*

— **Gary Paulsen, Hatchet**

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### Next Sunday’s Readings – Third Sunday before Lent

**Isaiah 58– vv 1-9a – 1 Corinthians 2 vv 1-12 - Matthew 5 – vv 13-20**

**Psalm 112 – vv 1--19**

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## HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

### Candlemas – The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

**2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

#### **HYMN 1: 198– Ye Holy Angels bright**

#### **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ 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 – Malachi 3:1-5 Sylvia**

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness.

<sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

<sup>5</sup>Then I will draw near to you for judgment; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow and the orphan, against those who

thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

#### **Psalm 24 :1-10**

#### **Domini est terra**

The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

**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 – Hebrews 2: 14-18  
- Nathaniel**

<sup>14</sup> Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup> For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup> Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup> Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

**Hymn 2: 453 – Faithful vigil ended**

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 2 :22-40  
James**

<sup>22</sup> When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), <sup>24</sup> and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s

Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup> “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.” <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.” <sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup> At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup> When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup> The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

**INTERCESSIONS – Dan**

**We Pray Especially This Week:**

- For a confidence in our country post-Brexit and for all the countries of Europe  
- for those affected by the volcanic eruption in and around the Caribbean  
- For a bettering of Jewish-Islam-Hindu-Christian relations across the world.  
- for our Safer Neighbourhood police team and the safety on our streets  
- For Gloria and all our teenagers

**We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:** Trevor, Shirley, 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 for all those mourning.

**We Give Thanks and Praise:**

- For the Old Testament day study at Paul’s Thornton Heath  
- For our ‘holy dusters’ on Saturdays  
- For the love and support of husbands, wives, partners, friends, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and cousins  
- For all who contributed to our parish magazine.  
- For God’s faithfulness to us.

**Offertory Hymn: HHS 11 Give me joy in my heart**

**Communion Hymns.**

HHS 2– Spirit of God unseen  
311 – Virgin born, we bow before Thee

**Post Communion Prayer**

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**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 : 117- Praise to the Holiest**