HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

1st January 2023

HYMN 1: 39 – Angels from the Realms

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was circumcised in obedience to the law for our sake and given the Name that is above every name:

give us grace faithfully to bear his Name, to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit, and to proclaim him as the Saviour of the world;

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Pearl Numbers 6: 22-27

²² The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:
²³ Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,
²⁴ The Lord bless you and keep you;
²⁵ the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
²⁶ the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
²⁷ So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them. Psalm 8 vv 1-9

Domine, Dominus noster

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens! ² Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger. ³ For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained. ⁴ What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

⁵ Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.

⁶ Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

⁷ All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;

⁸ The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

⁹ O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

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 – Mathilde – Galatians 4:4-7

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶ And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Hymn 2: 42 – In the Bleak Midwinter

GOSPEL READING – Luke 2:15-21 – James

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Marv treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and

praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹ After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Sermon – Revd Ada

INTERCESSIONS – Barbara

We Pray Especially This Week:

For those we know and love who have died in 2022 and all those who miss them. For Britain and the World in 2023 For our hope of a more peaceful year to come

For those suffering from the weather in The USA and Japan



- HAPPY NEW YEAR -

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:

Rev Peter's wife Jennifer, Brandon, Claudine, Billy's Uncle Richard, Barbara G, Margaret L, Janine H, Janet & John J, Stephen Mc, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora, Veronica F's friend, Matt, Tabitha's aunt, Brenda, Stephanie, Cyril, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road & Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Ernestine, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Adrian, Ron and all those we know and love *We pray for the souls of Rose's* brother and Lorraine Cresswell Anglight perpetual shine upon them May they Rest in Peace And rise in glory

We Give Thanks and Praise:

For all that was good in our lives last year For the hard work of our Serving Team For all who worked hard at the Christmas Celebrations especially our Churchwardens Redva and Sheri For our relief clergy while we await Revd Tomos

Offertory Hymn: 33– Of the Father's Love Begotten

Prayer for our new Incumbent

Heavenly Father, we joyfully thank you for answering our prayers. With the appointment of our new incumbent, Revd Tomos Reed, we are now beginning a new stage of our journey. Help us to be united in support, as we extend a warm and godly welcome. Keep your call fresh in his heart and constantly renew his spirit as he prepares for the work within the church and the wider community. Strengthen and guide him too for the challenges that lie ahead. Lord, as we rely on you, we have that re-assurance knowing that we have a future filled with hope. Amen

Communion Hymns. HHS 13 Infant Holy HHS 23 Sing Lullaby

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Saviour: grant that we who have shared in this sacrament of our salvation may live out our years in the power of the Name above all other names, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn 6 : HHS 11 God Rest you Merry Gentlemen

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Please stay at home if you have cold or flu-like symptoms.

Today	10.00am-11.15am – Holy Communion Service – Naming and Circumcision of Jesus. Revd Ada presiding and preaching
Tues 3 Jan	No Night Prayer with mindfulness and meditation (returns 17 January)
Weds 4 Jan	10am-10.45am Midweek Service in church
Thurs 5 Jan	No Bible Study
Sat 7 Jan	10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
Sun 8 Jan	 10am-11.15am – Epiphany – Revd Susan Wheeler-Kiley presiding and preaching 11.45am – Standing Committee in the hall

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"As the old year retires and a new one is born, we commit into the hands of our Creator the happenings of the past year and ask for direction and guidance in the new one. May He grant us His grace, His tranquility and His wisdom!"

- Peggy Toney Horton, Does God Want Us to Be Happy?

"This is the new year the new **you.** You can pass through another year, coasting on cruise control. Or you can step out of your comfort zone, trying things you have never done before, & make 2023 as the year that you elevate from where you are & soar high. Make it happen!" — **Pablo**

Next Sunday's Readings – Epiphany

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12 Psalm 72: 10-15

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