

# Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

*Walking together in the Way of Christ and sharing His love with others*

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### Third Sunday of Easter



- 8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church  
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church  
**17** All heav'n declares; **19** All my hope on God is founded;  
**354** Jesus lives! thy terrors now; **411** Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us  
10.00am Eucharist in Clapham Church (Archdeacon Tom)

### Banns 2

Thomas Prideaux de Lacy and Leslie Morgan  
Joseph Maton and Joy Talbot  
Daniel Smith and Lauren Wheeler

### CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

- Tuesday: 10.00am – Eucharist in Findon Church  
2.00pm – Tea @2 – Clapham & Patching Village Hall. £1  
7.45pm – Bell ringing practice in Findon Church
- Wednesday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer in Findon Church
- Friday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer in Findon Church  
7.00pm – 9.00pm – Bell ringing training in Findon Church
- Saturday: 12.00noon – Baptism of Marilyn Fisher in Clapham Church

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8.00am Holy Communion in Patching Church (Rev. Chris Skilton)  
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church (Rev. Zachary Allen)  
2.00pm Bluebell Walk at Clapham Church

### Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**



### **First Reading: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32**

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 13-35**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us

on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*Other readings for today: Zeph. 3: 14-end; Ps. 116: 1-3, 10-end (or 116: 1-7); 1 Pet. 1: 17-23*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

#### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup>**

*John 6: 22-29*

#### **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Prov. 15: 28-end or Acts 15: 35-end; Ps. 119: 9-16; Eph. 4: 7-16; Mark 13: 5-13*

#### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*John 6: 35-40*

#### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – St George's Day**

*John 15: 18-21*

#### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup>**

*John 6: 52-59*

#### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> – Mark the Evangelist**

*Mark 13: 5-13*

#### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

***Acts 2: 42-end; [or Gen. ch.7]; Ps. 23; 1 Pet. 2: 19-end; John 10: 1-10***

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

- Our children and young people; staff from our schools and preschool; our work with children and young people.
- Those in Steep Lane, Castle Goring and Lee Farm.
- Friends and family of Marilyn being baptised on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April.
- The sick and those who care for them including: Rowan Potter; Teresa Street; Fred Ford; Lucia; Eda Spencer; Daintree; Adrian Kewell; Caroline Allcorn; Mike Solomons; Danielle Timm; Richard Goodsell; Emily; Gary Bond; Hilary Langford
- On their anniversary – **21<sup>st</sup>** John Sayles; **25<sup>th</sup>** Julie Brooks

## NOTICES

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April – 9.15am-2.30pm, Offington Park Methodist Church, BN14 7TN  
Trust, Troubles and Truth: How God keeps us afloat. Speaker – Jocelyn-Anne Harvey  
A day of worship & teaching for women - £7 incl. drinks. Bring your own packed lunch.  
Contact Irene Tuley on 01903 265319 for information.

### Friends of C&P - Bluebell Walk - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2pm from Clapham Church

Led by Clem Somerset through private land not open to the public, followed by tea and cake at the church. Suggested minimum donation £5 per adult, children free.

### Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

The APCM will be held at 11am on Sunday 10th May in Findon Church.

All welcome to attend. **Last reminder that reports for the APCM should now have been sent to the Parish Office!** Thank you very much.

### Diocese May Camp – weekend of 23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026

We are looking to send one or two people to the Diocese May Camp.

Would anybody in the congregation be able to support this trip which requires a funding of £75.00 each person? If this is something you feel able to support, please contact Graham Langford in confidence, at [ewes16.gl@gmail.com](mailto:ewes16.gl@gmail.com)



**DUE TO HOLIDAY, THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY & MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY- Normal hours resume Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**



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Mon: 8am – 11am, Fri: 7.30am – 3.30pm