

Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 12th July 2026

Sixth Sunday after Trinity



- 8.00am Holy Communion in Clapham Church
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church
467: New ev'ry morning is the love (omit v3&4);
719: We plough the fields and scatter;
45 As the deer pants for the water; **114:** Come down, O love divine

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

- Tuesday: 10.00am – Eucharist in Findon Church
2.00pm – Tea @2 – Richard Prior's house (cancelled if wet!) £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
4.15pm – Wedding Rehearsal
- Saturday: 2.00pm – Wedding of Flynn Goward & Esme MacBean
in Findon Church.

Sunday 19th July – the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church
10.00am Eucharist in Clapham Church (Fr. Felix Smith)
12.00noon Christening of Arthur Oliphant-Hope in Findon Church
1.00pm Fundraising Barn Dance & BBQ at Holt Farm, Clapham



Collect for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'



Other readings for this week:

Ps. 65 (or 65: 8-end); Rom. 8: 1-11

Post Communion Prayer for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 13th

Matthew 10.34 – 11.1

Tuesday 14th

Isaiah 7: 1-9; Ps. 48: 1-7; Matt. 11: 20-24

Wednesday 15th

Matthew 11: 25-27

Thursday 16th

Matthew 11: 28-end

Friday 17th

Matthew 12: 1-8

Saturday 18th July

Matthew 12: 14-21

Sunday 19th July – Seventh Sunday after Trinity

*Isa. 44: 6-8; Ps. 86: 11-end; Rom. 8: 12-25; **Matt. 13: 24-30, 36-43***

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 Convent Gardens, Clapham Close and Long Furlong.
- 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; Karen Kennard; Michael Drakeford
- On their anniversary – **12th** Isolde Holmes

NOTICES

Fundraising Barn Dance and BBQ – Holt Farm Barn, Clapham, BN13 3UB

Sunday 19th July – arrival from 1pm, BBQ 1.30pm, dancing from 2.30-5.30pm

£20 per adult, children free. Dances called by the Brighton Ceilidh Collective.

Contact fcparndance@gmail.com or phone Maggie on 07483 239208.

New Safeguarding Officer

We welcome Vicky Riches as our new safeguarding officer. Vicky is taking over the reins from Ann Hollyhomes, and we would like to extend our grateful thanks to Ann for her dedication and commitment to this role over several years.

There is more information about Vicky on our website.

Compassion UK – Sponsoring a Child

After a very interesting and moving talk by the charity "Compassion" last Sunday at Findon, there has been interest in sponsoring two children abroad by our parish.

Sponsoring a child is £32.00 per month. It would mean asking for £1 per month - £12.00 per year from everybody interested and we as a church would then follow the development of the two children chosen, by receiving updates on their progress. Payment would be made into our church account via the Parish Giving Scheme and payment to the Charity would then be processed. Of course, if anybody wanted to donate more than £1.00 per month that would be lovely.

If you are interested in being part of this church family project, please let me know on either my email address ewes16.gl@gmail.com or phone me on 07753 755889. This would of course be in total confidence. Donations can be named or made anonymously. Subscriptions may be cancelled at any time.

Thank you, Graham

Lambstails - The last one before the summer break is Tuesday 14th July.

This is for children up to 5 years old and their parents/ carers on Tuesday afternoons 3.00-4.30pm in Findon Rectory. (Not on the first Tues of the month.)

For information about Lambstails contact Dom: fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com

Thank you from Claire and Hannah Kersley

Following the completion of our Sussex 3 Peaks charity walk on Saturday 20th June, we would like to say a heartfelt thank you to those of you who so kindly donated to Turning Tides and sent us messages of support. Your donations helped us raise nearly £800, nearly £300 over our £500 target. It is greatly appreciated, thank you.

New Opening Hours for the Parish Office from Monday 20 July:

Mondays: 8am – 12noon | Fridays: 8am – 3pm



Please use our donation code if you have a smart phone.

All money donated goes to the Parish for the upkeep of our Churches.

Parish Giving Scheme "PGS"

If you would like to join this tax beneficial scheme to make a regular gift to the Parish by direct debit, use <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/findon-clapham-patching-worthing/> (Parish code: 100610130). Alternatively, contact PGS

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Other ways of supporting our Parish can be found under the Giving Page of our Website below.

Website: www.findon-clapham-patching-churches.com

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Mon: 8am – 11am, Fri: 7.30am – 3.30pm