

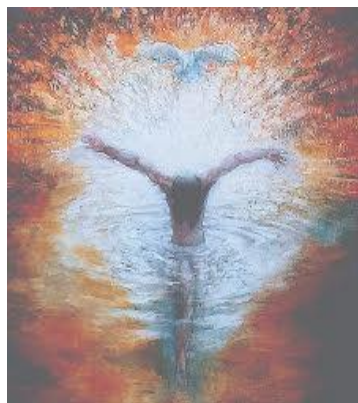
Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 11th January 2026

Baptism of Christ

The First Sunday after Epiphany



8.00am Holy Communion in Clapham Church
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church
114 Come down, O love divine;
506 O let the Son of God enfold you;
381 Let all mortal flesh keep silence;
419 Lord, the light of your love is shining

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 2-4.00pm – Tea/Coffee/biscuits in Findon Village Hall. Just pop in!

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

Saturday: 2.00-4.00pm – Games Afternoon in Findon Church

Sunday 18th January – Second Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church (Revd. Bill Meyer)
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church (Revd. Bill Meyer)
10.00am Eucharist in Clapham Church (Revd. Colin Cox)

Collect for the Baptism of Christ



Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3: 13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

Other readings for today: Acts 10: 34-43

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 12th

Mark 1: 14-20

Tuesday 13th

1 Sam. 1: 9-20; 1 Sam. 2: 1, 4-8; Mark 1: 21-28

Wednesday 14th

Mark 1: 29-39

Thursday 15th

Mark 1: 40-end

Friday 16th

Mark 2: 1-12

Saturday 17th

Mark 2: 13-17

Sunday 18th – Second Sunday after Epiphany

Isa. 49: 1-7; 1 Cor. 1: 1-9; John 1: 29-42

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 Northview Terrace, Rectory Lane and France Lane.
- 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; Mabel Carson

Our new Archdeacon **Tom Carpenter** will be conducting the 10am Sung Eucharist at Patching Church on 1st February. All are welcome to the service.

Notices

Sat. 17th January - Games Afternoon in Findon Church, 2-4pm

Music & instruments, pool, face painting, skittles and bell ringing for youngsters.
Drinks and snacks available. Donations welcomed.

Sat. 21st February - Film Afternoon in Findon Church, 2pm

TOY STORY! All families welcome. Snacks and drinks, donations welcomed

Sat. 18th April, 7.30pm

Return of the **Ron Green** Big Band Concert in Findon Church

Tickets £7.50 from Dom, Village Shop or Peckhams. £10 on door



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