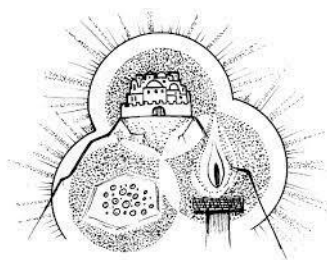


Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 11th February 2024

The Sunday next before Lent



8.00am Holy Communion at Clapham Church

9.30am Eucharist at Findon Church

105: Christ, whose glory fills the skies; **67** Be still, for the presence of the Lord; **461:** My Jesus my saviour; **419:** Shine, Jesus, shine

Collect for the Sunday next before Lent



Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: 2 Cor. 4: 3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading: Mark 9: 2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one

for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

Other readings for today: 2 Kings 2: 1-12; Ps. 50: 1-6

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DIARY AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 12th

Mark 8: 11-13

Tuesday 13th

Jas. 1: 12-18; Ps. 94: 12-18; Mark 8: 14-21

10am Holy Communion at Findon Church

11am – Lambstails. Come to the Vicarage from 11am for pancakes!

7.45pm – extra bellringing practice at Findon Church

Wednesday 14th – Ash Wednesday

Matt. 6: 1-6, 16-21 or John 8: 1-11

10.00am - Holy Communion with imposition of ashes at Findon Church

Thursday 15th

Luke 9: 22-25

7.45pm – Bellringing practice at Findon Church

Friday 16th

Matt. 9: 14-15

9.00am – Morning Prayer at Findon Church

Saturday 17th

Luke 5: 27-32

10.30am – Wedding Preparation Morning at Findon Church

Sunday 18th – First Sunday of Lent

Gen. 9: 8-17; Ps. 25: 1-9; 1 Pet. 3: 18-end; Mark 1: 9-15

8.00am - Holy Communion at Findon Church

9.30am - Eucharist at Findon Church

10.00am - Eucharist at Clapham Church

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 The Square, Rectory Lane and Coldharbour Lane.
- The sick and those who care for them including: Rowan Potter; Teresa Street; Anne De Campenhout; Naomi; John Childs; Fred Ford; Tina; Lucia; Deborah; Eda Spencer; Dennis Chandler; Caroline Allcorn; Vince Mason; Rosie; Sally Morris; Jerry Fox
- **RIP:** Mike Jolley; John Devereux (funeral to be held on 12th February, 11am at Worthing Crematorium); Peter Miles; Sam

NOTICES

Sunday 11th Feb – Celebration of Marriage. St Michael and All Angels, Lancing – 4pm. There will be an opportunity during the service for couples to renew their marriage vows, give thanks for their marriage and sing favourite wedding hymns.

This is for everyone and not just restricted to couples married at St Michaels.

Quiz Night – Sat. 24th February, 6.30 for 7pm, Findon Village Hall

Teams of 6 or 7 people. £17 per head to include fish and chip supper.

Licensed bar. Tickets available from Peckhams Butchers.

Fund raising raffle for Friends of Findon Church



Volunteer Parish Representative for the Village Hall Committee

If anyone is interested in taking on this role, please speak to Helena.

We are very grateful for Graham Langford's help with this over the past few years.

Lent Course

Homegroup will be studying a Lent course for the next 5 weeks in the evening.

If ANYONE would like to take part in a daytime course, please speak to Helena.



STOP PRESS – Save the date! Salvation Army are coming to Findon Church for our Worship & Praise service on **Sunday 2nd June.**

Inspired Instrumentalists Concert – Friday 12th April – Findon Church, 7.30pm

This is a group of 29 instrumentalists from Worthing, playing a selection of instruments ranging from ukuleles and guitars to brass and woodwind – “a band with a difference”! Audiences are encouraged to participate by singing along! They have kindly offered to come and raise money for our Church. Tickets are £10 each, under 14s free. Please contact the Parish Office or see Graham Langford.

We are looking to organise a trip to Schney (Germany) this year. If you would be interested, please speak to Helena after the service or contact the Parish Office.



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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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