

Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 25th October 2026

Last Sunday after Trinity



8.00am Holy Communion in Patching Church (Rev. Roger Walker)

10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church (Ven. John Barton)

281: He who would valiant be; **35:** A new commandment I give unto you;

88: Brother, sister, let me serve you; **716:** We have a gospel to proclaim

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday: 10.00am – Eucharist in Findon Church
1.00pm – Lunch @ 1pm. Findon Village Hall. £6
2.00pm – Tea @2 – Clapham & Patching Village Hall. £1
7.45pm – Bell ringing practice in Findon Church

Wednesday: 9.00am – No Morning Prayer in Findon Church
10.00am-12.00 – Coffee Morning at All Saints Church in the Valley

Friday: 9.00am – No Morning Prayer in Findon Church

Sunday 1st November – All Saints' Day

8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church (Rev. Zachary Allen)

10.00am Worship & Praise in Findon Church with The Salvation Army

10.00am Eucharist in Patching Church (Rev. Bill Meyer)

3.00pm All Souls' Service in Findon Church (Rev. Helena Buqué)



Collect for the Last Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy.

""Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly.

""Do not go about spreading slander among your people.

""Do not do anything that endangers your neighbor's life. I am the Lord.

""Do not hate a fellow Israelite in your heart. Rebuke your neighbor frankly so you will not share in their guilt.

""Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.""

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 34-end

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, "What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?" "The son of David," they replied. He said to them, "How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him 'Lord'? For he says, "'The Lord said to my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet.'" If then David calls him 'Lord,' how can he be his son?" No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.'

Other readings for this week: Ps. 1; 1 Thess. 2: 1-8

Post Communion Prayer for the Last Sunday after Trinity

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 26th

Luke 13: 10-17

Tuesday 27th

Ephesians 5: 21-end; Ps. 128; Luke 13: 18-21

Wednesday 28th – Simon and Jude, Apostles

John 15: 17-end

Thursday 29th

Luke 13: 31-end

Friday 30th

Luke 14: 1-6

Saturday 31st

Luke 14: 1, 7-11

Sunday 1st November – All Saints' Day

Rev. 7: 9-end; Ps. 34: 1-10; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matt. 5: 1-12

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 High Street, Holt Farm and Patching Street.
- The sick and those who care for them including: Rowan Potter; Teresa Street; Lucia; Adrian Kewell; Caroline Allcorn; Mike Solomons; Danielle Timm; Richard Goodsell; Emily; Gary Bond; Hilary Langford; Karen Kennard; Michael Drakeford; Robert
- RIP - Marilyn Cox (Service of Thanksgiving at Worthing Crematorium on Thursday 12th November at 12:30pm)
- On their anniversary – **20th** Jennifer Jones

NOTICES

A BIG thank you to everyone who helped at the Patching Church clean and tidy up on 24th October, despite the weather!

MESSAGE FROM REV'D COLIN: I would just like to express my grateful thanks for all your love, kindness and support during my dear wife, Marilyn's battle with cancer which very sadly led to her death. Thank you for the lovely cards and thank you too for all your prayers. Although we had been praying that she would respond to treatment and get better, this was not to be. However, we both had a very real sense of the Lord's presence with us and in fact during a particularly difficult meeting with the consultant Marilyn opened her arms and said 'Jesus is here', much to his surprise.

The Service of Thanksgiving for her life will be at Worthing Crematorium on Thursday 12th November at 12:30pm. You are very welcome to join us or perhaps say a prayer for us at that time. **Colin.**

Sunday 1st November

Worship & Praise with The Salvation Army, 10am, Findon Church

Join us for this service with the Salvation Army and a speaker from Turning Tides. Also, a Messy Church craft session during the service and breakfast at 9.30am!

All Souls Service, 3pm, Findon Church

Please join us for our All Souls' Service. The names of people's funerals taken in the last two years are automatically included in the service. For other departed loved ones, please **add them to the list at the back of the Church and come along to pray for them.**

TABLETOP SALE IN FINDON CHURCH ON 7 NOVEMBER HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Saturday 14th November, 10.30am – Family Walk

Starting at Clapham Church and walking to Patching Church. We will be stopping off for tea and biscuits and then returning to Clapham Church. All very welcome!

New representatives for the PCC needed!

The existing members would like to recruit new representatives from Findon, Clapham and Patching to the PCC (Parochial Church Council). If this is something you would be interested in, please speak to one of the churchwardens – Simon, Maggie or Kath, or contact the Office.

Volunteers to help in Findon Church

We are desperately looking for some more help in Findon Church, in particular sides people and Sacristans. Please speak to Simon who can give you more details or contact the Office. Any help would be really appreciated; thank you 😊



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Mon: 8.00am – 12noon, Fri: 8.00am – 3.00pm