Christmas Greetings



From your Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

This card comes from your Parish Church with our good wishes to you for Christmas

Christmas is a time for being together with family, friends and neighbours, and we welcome you to any of our services and social events listed on this card. If transport is a difficulty, please contact the Parish Office.

As we enjoy the festivities, let's not forget that the real reason for the season, Jesus Christ, was born in humble circumstances; Emmanuel, God-with-us, laid in an animal's feed trough because all the Inns were full, at a time of political instability much as we are experiencing today. While preparing to celebrate Christmas here, we cannot put aside our concern for the many innocent victims of the conflict in the Middle East and the prolonged war waged by Russia on Ukraine, holding each situation in our prayers. As we remember how Jesus grew up to teach us about God's love and forgiveness, may his presence touch your lives this Christmastide, bringing his peace into the uncertainty of our lives and hope for the new year as it begins.

May God bless you and your family this Christmas.

Simon, Maggie and Kath, your Churchwardens

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Church Services for Advent & Christmas

Date	Findon St John the Baptist	Clapham St Mary the Virgin	Patching St John the Divine
Sunday 6th Advent 2	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 10.00am Worship & Praise		10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 13th Advent 3	10.00am Eucharist	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	
Sunday 20th Advent 4	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 10.00am Eucharist 4.00pm Nine Lessons & Carols	10.00am Eucharist	
Thursday 24th Christmas Eve	3.00pm Christingle Service 11.30pm Midnight Mass		
Friday 25th Christmas Day	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 10.00am Christmas Eucharist		10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 27th Christmas 1	10.00am Eucharist		8.00am BCP Holy Communion

Findon, Clapham and Patching Village Christmas Celebrations

Sunday 6th Dec	5.30pm	Christmas lights are switched on in Findon Village, followed by a Christmas Market at The Gun.
Tuesday 8th Dec	6.15pm	Walking Nativity in Findon Village, with carols in the garden of the Gun Inn.
Thurs 10th Dec	2.00pm	Carol Singing at Clapham Lodge
Thurs 10th Dec	7.00pm	Christmas Concert by 'Harvest Home' in Patching Church
Sun 13th Dec	5.00pm	Carols by Candlelight featuring 'The Mistletones' choir in Findon Church
Tues 15th Dec	6.00pm	Carols round the coals in Patching Churchyard, with a visit from Father Christmas!