

Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 22nd March 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent

(Passiontide begins)



- 8.00am Holy Communion in Patching Church
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church
738 When I survey the wondrous cross; **662** There's a wideness in God's mercy; **506** O let the Son of God enfold you; **32** And can it be? (omit v3)
11.45am Baptism of Penelope Hunter in Clapham Church

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: 9.00 am - Morning Prayer in Findon Church
7.30pm – Compline in Findon Church
- Friday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer in Findon Church
7.00pm – 9.00pm – Bell ringing training in Findon Church
- Saturday 9.30am – Patching Church Spring clear-up

Sunday 29th March – Palm Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church
9.30am Procession with a pony from Clapham & Patching School up to Church
10.00am Parish Eucharist in Clapham Church



Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Gospel Reading: John 11: 1-45

Other readings for today:

Psalm 130; Romans 8: 6-11



Depiction of Jesus Christ raising Lazarus from the dead, Catacombs of Callistus, Rome, 3rd Century CE
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Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 23rd

John 8: 1-11

Tuesday 24th

Numbers 21: 4-9; Psalm 102: 1-3, 16-23; John 8: 21-30

Wednesday 25th – Annunciation of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Luke 1: 26-38

Thursday 26th – Joseph of Nazareth

John 8: 51-end

Friday 27th

John 10: 31-end

Saturday 28th

John 7: 40-52

Sunday 29th – Palm Sunday

*Liturgy of the Palms - **Matthew 21: 1-11***

Liturgy of the Passion - Isa. 50: 4-9a; Ps. 31: 9-16 (or 31: 9-18); Phil. 2: 5-11;

Matt. 26.14 – 27.end or Matt. 27: 11-54

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 Southview Road, Holt Farm and Arundel Road.
- Friends and family of Penelope being baptised today.
- 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
- **RIP** – Lorena-Rose Koleva; Maurice Harwood
- **On their anniversary** – **23rd** Ian Swales; **25th** Seth Evans

NOTICES

Easter Lilies



There is the opportunity to sponsor an Easter lily in memory of a loved one which will be displayed over the Easter period at Findon Church. Please complete a form which is available at the back of the Church (or Findon News) and place it in an envelope with your £5 donation. These may be given in at any service or posted in at the Rectory.

Saturday 28th March – Patching Church Spring Clear-up. 9.30am

Please come along and help if you can.



Let's talk about the Elephant in the Room!

Please click the link below for more information about the campaign running this month with **Turning Tides**, our local homelessness charity - <https://us4.campaign-archive.com/?e=27db0b60ab&u=3bc5b9b83f4b1beae0b20f8b8&id=ff2d706f2b>

Palm Sunday March 29th -Parish Eucharist, 10am Clapham Church

9.30am procession with a pony from Clapham & Patching School up to the church. Parking available at the church.



The Ron Green Big Band Concert in Findon Church, Saturday 18th April, 7.30pm

Tickets £7.50, £10 on the door. Contact Dom Timm – fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com

Fundraising Barn Dance at Holt Farm. Sunday 19th July, Arrival from 1pm.

BBQ from 1:30pm, Dancing from 2:30pm till 5:30pm. Tickets £20 per adult, children free. Contact Maggie to book your place. fcpbarndance@gmail.com 07483 239208. All proceeds to the PCC of Findon, Clapham and Patching.



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.

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Mon: 8am – 11am, Fri: 7.30am – 3.30pm