

# Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Third Sunday of Easter**



8.00am Holy Communion at Clapham Church

9.30am Eucharist at Findon Church

**680** This joyful Eastertide; **195** From heav'n you came;

**333** It is a thing most wonderful; **137** Crown him with many crowns

**Banns 1**

**Frazer Oliphant-Hope and Charlie Prescott**

## CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday: 10.00am – Holy Communion at Findon Church

Wednesday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer at Findon Church

Thursday: 7.45pm – Bell ringing practice at Findon Church

Friday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer at Findon Church

## **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April – The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8.00am Holy Communion at Findon Church

9.30am Eucharist at Findon Church (with Revd. Zachary Allen presiding)

10.00am Eucharist at Clapham Church

## Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter



Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

### **First Reading: Acts 3: 12-19**

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 36b-48**

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

*Other readings for today: Zeph. 3: 14-end; Ps. 4; 1 John 3: 1-7*

## Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

*John 6: 22-29*

#### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>

*Acts 7.51 – 8.1a; Ps. 31: 1-5, 16; John 6: 30-35*

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>

*John 6: 35-40*

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

*John 6: 44-51*

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

*John 6: 52-59*

#### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

*John 6: 60-69*

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Acts 4: 5-12; Gen. 7: 1-5, 11-18; 8: 6-18; 9: 8-13; Ps. 23; 1 John 3: 16-end;*

***John 10: 11-18***

### 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 Ash Close, Holt Farm and Swillage Lane.
- The sick and those who care for them including: Rowan Potter; Teresa Street; John Childs; Fred Ford; Tina; Lucia; Eda Spencer; Dennis Chandler; Caroline Allcorn; Vince Mason; Mary; Don; Barbara Harbut; Tony
- **RIP:** Doug Groves (funeral at Patching Church, on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2pm)

**Home Group** starts again on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 7.00pm, meeting fortnightly. Please contact the Parish Office for venue details.

## NOTICES

### Patching Church Clear-up

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to tidy and clear up the Church and Churchyard, and also a very big thank you to the people who provided the refreshments. All very much appreciated.



### Bluebell Walk, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Starting at Clapham Church at 2pm and walking round private areas of Clapham Woods, courtesy of Mr Clem Somerset. Followed by tea at the church.

### Vintage Car Rally at Findon Place – Bank Holiday Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May, 3pm

A great day out, lots of interesting cars and motorcycles, BBQ and tea tent. Admission free; donations much appreciated. **Raffle Prizes:** If you would like to donate a raffle prize for this fundraising event, please leave them in the box at the back of the church, in the parcel box at 38, Nepcote Lane or in the Rectory porch. Thankyou.

### Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

This will be held at 10.45am on Sunday 12th May in Findon Church. All welcome. Could people responsible for submitting reports for the APCM please send these to the Parish Office as soon as possible. The deadline is Mon. 22<sup>nd</sup> April to allow time for the final APCM report to be completed. Thank you very much.

### Graham Kendrick concert in Findon Church on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Just 15 tickets left now! Contact Graham Langford on [ewes16.gl@gmail.com](mailto:ewes16.gl@gmail.com)



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