

# Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

*Second Sunday of Easter*



- 8.00am Holy Communion in Clapham Church  
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church  
**680** This joyful Eastertide; **716** We have a gospel to proclaim;  
**461** My Jesus, my Saviour; **70** Be thou my vision  
11.45am Baptism of Nancy Gue in Patching Church

## Banns 1

Thomas Prideaux de Lacy and Leslie Morgan  
Joseph Maton and Joy Talbot  
Daniel Smith and Lauren Wheeler

### 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: 9.00am – Morning Prayer in Findon Church
- Friday: 9.00am – Morning Prayer in Findon Church  
7.00pm – 9.00pm – Bell ringing training in Findon Church
- Saturday: 7.30pm - The Ron Green Big Band Jazz Concert in Findon Church

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Third Sunday of Easter**

- 8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church  
10.00am Eucharist in Findon Church  
10.00am Eucharist in Clapham Church (Archdeacon Tom)



## Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. **Amen.**

### First Reading: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

‘You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.” ‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, “He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.” This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

### Gospel Reading: John 20: 19-end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord.’ But he said to them, ‘Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.’ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put

your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.’ Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*Other readings for today: Exod. 14: 10-end; 15: 20-21; Ps. 16; 1 Pet. 1: 3-9*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

#### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

*John 3: 1-8*

#### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Acts 4: 32-end; Ps. 93; John 3: 7-15*

#### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

*John 3: 16-21*

#### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**

*John 3: 31-end*

#### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

*John 6: 1-15*

#### **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

*John 6: 16-21*

#### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Easter**

***Acts 2: 14a, 36-41 [or Zeph. 3: 14-end]; Ps. 116: 1-3, 10-end (or 116: 1-7); 1 Pet. 1: 17-23; Luke 24: 13-35***

### **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 Steep Close, Brickyard Cottages and Hillside.
- Friends and family of Nancy being baptised in Patching Church 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
- On their anniversary – **13<sup>th</sup>** John White
- **RIP** – Lorena-Rose Koleva; Maurice Harwood

## NOTICES

**The Ron Green Big Band Concert** in Findon Church, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm  
 Tickets £7.50, £10 on the door. Contact Dom Timm – [fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com](mailto:fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com)

If anyone did not have chance to meet our new Archdeacon, Tom, he will be leading the 10.00 service at Clapham on April 19th. Please come along.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April – 9.15am-2.30pm, Offington Park Methodist Church, BN14 7TN**  
**Trust, Troubles and Truth: How God keeps us afloat. Speaker – Jocelyn-Anne Harvey**  
 A day of worship & teaching for women - £7 incl. drinks. Bring your own packed lunch.  
 Contact Irene Tuley on 01903 265319 for information.

**Friends of C&P - Bluebell Walk - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2pm from Clapham Church**  
 Led by Clem Somerset through private land not open to the public, followed by tea and cake at the church. Suggested minimum donation £5 per adult, children free.

## **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**

The APCM will be held at 11am on Sunday 10th May in Findon Church.

Could people responsible for submitting reports please send these to the Parish Office as soon as possible. The deadline is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you very much.



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Mon: 8am – 11am, Fri: 7.30am – 3.30pm