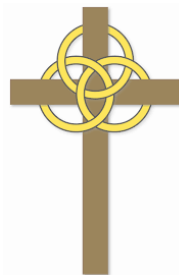


Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching

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

Sunday 30th August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity



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

10.00am Parish Eucharist in Findon Church

67 Be still for the presence of the Lord; **88** Brother, sister, let me serve you; **161** Father, hear the prayer we offer; **281** He who would valiant be

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: *Parish Office Closed – Bank Holiday*

Tuesday: 10.00am – Eucharist in Findon Church
2.00pm – Tea @2 – Richard Prior's house (cancelled if wet!) £1
7.45pm – Bell ringing practice in Findon Church

Wednesday: ***No Morning Prayer in Findon Church***

Friday: ***No Morning Prayer in Findon Church***

Saturday: 9.30am – 12.00noon – Visiting Bellringers in Findon Church

Sunday 6th September – Harvest Festival

8.00am Holy Communion in Findon Church

10.00am Worship & Praise for Harvest in Findon Church with 'Hope Rising'

10.00am Eucharist (Harvest Festival and charity auction) in Patching Church



Collect for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading: Romans 12: 9-end

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16: 21-end

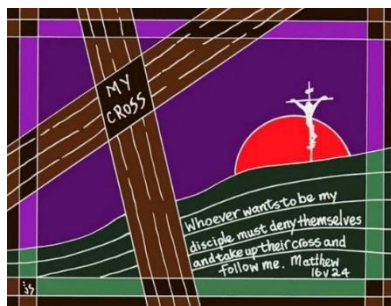
From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

Other readings for this week:

Jer. 15: 15-21; Ps. 26: 1-8



Post Communion Prayer for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday 31st

Luke 4: 16-30

Tuesday 1st Sept.

1 Cor. 2: 10b-end; Ps. 145: 10-17; Luke 4: 31-37

Wednesday 2nd Sept.

Luke 4: 38-end

Thursday 3rd Sept.

Luke 5: 1-11

Friday 4th Sept.

Luke 5: 33-end

Saturday 5th Sept.

Luke 6: 1-5

Sunday 6th Sept. – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18 or 28: 1-14; Psalm 65; 2 Cor 9: 6-end; Luke 12: 16-30

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 Findon Heights, Brickyard Cottages and Coldharbour Lane.
- 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; Marilyn Cox
- RIP –Kathleen Stubbs; Fred Ford

NOTICES

Lambs Tails has changed its name to 'Explorers'!

Explorers is for babies up to school year 2, with their parents/carers.

Starting 8th September, every Tuesday 3.15pm to 4pm at the Rectory, School Hill, Findon. Games, crafts and refreshments for all.



Turning Tides Prayer Calendar – A Journey towards Harvest

This Harvest Prayer Calendar invites us to pray for people across West Sussex - <https://www.turning-tides.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Harvest-Prayer-Calendar-2026.pdf>

“As we prepare to celebrate the harvest, may we remember that there is enough to share, and that a small act of generosity can become the beginning of hope, belonging and a new life.”

Harvest Festivals - Sunday September 6th

Findon - On this first Sunday we are going to start Autumn with a breakfast at 9-30 am. There will be pastries, coffee and squash; donations welcomed. The service will start as usual at 10 am. **A Messy Church Craft will be held during the service.** All welcome. Please note there will be no refreshments after the service.

Donations welcomed for Turning Tides - See list of produce items at back of the church.

Patching – Following the 10am Harvest Service, there will be a charity auction of harvest goods, starting at 11.15am. Donations of fruits, veg, groceries etc. much appreciated. Money raised will be donated to St Barnabas Hospice. All welcome. Donations of goods can be taken to the church on Saturday 11am – 3pm or brought to the auction. Enquiries to Kath – 01903 871147, hutchinson997@btinternet.com

Saturday 26 September – Clapham Harvest Supper

Details to follow soon!



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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 Administrator - Ian Hollyhomes, t: 01903 872475, e: ianhollyhomes52@gmail.com

Other ways of supporting our Parish can be found under the Giving Page of our Website below.

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