



Sunday 10th September 2017 / Harvest / 13th Sunday After Trinity

While St Nicolas and Immanuel celebrate Harvest at Hawkesley we will be continuing our journey through the beginning of the Old Testament. We will be thinking about the Passover. We will be reminded how the Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out to God and how God heard them, remembered his Covenant with their forefathers and brought them out of slavery.

The Passover was instituted to ensure that the Israelites never forgot what God had done for them. Telling their story helped them trust God going forward.

People of every time and place have suffered and cried out to God. Today is no different: the people in the Caribbean islands suffering the effects of the hurricanes; the 'Dreamers' in the USA who have lost their right to stay in the only country they see as home; the countless people who live in our community who are struggling with poverty; many others suffering health issues; all cry out to God and need to know that God hears them.

Our story of God being with us, of God hearing us and of God saving us is one we must keep telling. Knowing our story will help us to trust and give us strength as we too cry out to God. Perhaps also it will help us hear God's call on our lives: on our hands, our feet, our mouths, our ears and our purses, that we can be part of God's saving plan. ~ Caz Hague

Worship In The Parish Today

St Nicolas'	9:00am	Holy Communion (Harvest)
	10:30am	Harvest Festival
	6:00pm	Holy Communion & Healing
Hawkesley	10:30 am	Holy Communion
Immanuel	10:30 am	@SN

Children & young people are welcome at every service.

Tiny Tots: Thurs. 9.00 am
Bumps & Babies: Mon 1.00 pm
BOTH AT ST. NICOLAS' CHURCH

Sundays for Children (3yrs+)

1st Sunday - Oasis at Saint Nicolas' Place
2nd Sunday – All Age at St Nicolas' Church
3rd Sunday - Godly Play @ SNP
4th Sunday - All Age @SNP

**Next GPS Youth Group:
September 20th**

***Please note* GPS will now be starting @ 4:30 pm**

Open Doors Petition

Open Doors are asking for people to sign their petition to The Secretary General of the United Nations on behalf of our Christian Brothers and Sisters in Iraq & Syria. The petition calls for 1)The right to equal citizenship 2) Dignified living conditions 3) A prominent role in reconciling and rebuilding society. Copies of the petition are in all our churches for people to sign if they wish. You do not need to give any details of address etc. Just signing is enough.

Harvest Readings

Psalm 65	OT p 539
2 Cor. 9.6-end	NT p 180

Collect for Harvest

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Opportunities to support others in St Nicolas:

There is a basket receiving small gifts of school/college stationery for our partner parish in Bolivia (La Trinidad Church in Cochabamba).

Our Harvest Gifts today are for B30 Foodbank [particular needs are tinned meat, tinned tomatoes, tinned spaghetti, tinned/packet custard, tinned fruit and tinned rice pudding].

September also is time to give to Water Aid. There will be a collection point for small change in St Nicolas (large water containers) and gifts can also be left at the Parish Office.

October 1st at 6.30pm: Annual Foodbank Service at Cotteridge Church. All most welcome.

Saint Nicolas' Place. Our tearoom is open Mon - Sat 9.00 am - 4.00 pm. Green's Tea Room for excellent food and service. The shop is open from Monday to Saturday, 10.00 am - 3.00 pm. For events & bookings call 0121 458 1223. Or visit saintnicolasplace.co.uk.

Please pray for the Diocesan link with the Anglican Church in Bolivia and our links with Father Walter Toro of Jesus the Good Shepherd Church in Tarija, Bolivia and with Pastor Tammy Firestone and the congregation of La Trinidad Church in Cochbamba.

Please pray for residents, workers, staff, pupils and parents of:
Granshaw Close, Grassmoor Road, Greaves Square, Green Lane
Wychall Primary School & Childrens Center, Hawkesley Church Primary Academy & King's Norton Primary School

Please pray for those preparing for Baptism and Marriage.

Please remember in your prayers:
Beryl Wilkes, Joan Pearce, Ray Davies, Beryl Jones, Natasha Markovic, Nan Hoadly, Florence Bonner, Lillian Hillier, John Clark, Joan Gunter, Olga Groves, Joyce Hawkins, Em & Tina Drakeford, Leon and Melissa Brown, Connie Wilson, Simon Hambly, Dorothy Gardner, Addie Tilley, Paul Shelton, Delsie Burges/Brooks, Mason Green, Oscar Hooper, Jacob, Christine, Joan Grimmitt, June McCoy, Andrew Leslie and Doug Sansom

Please remember those who are ill, receiving treatment or recovering from surgery:
Yvonne Whittingham, Jonathan Rogers, Annie Edwards, Sandra Sandilands, Marlene Collier, Gabrielle Pond-Baker, Sandra W, Thelma Mitchell, Jean Gates, Veronica Clark, Jayne Slater and Debbie White.
Children Charlie Ramsey, Twins Stella & Francesca and Sahar Kaussar.

Please pray for those who have died and for those who grieve for them:
Merlin Cross, Pauline Tildesley; Shirley Sparrey, Brenda Bryant

Open Church

St Nicolas' Church is open as often as possible. Do visit, pray, light a candle or share conversation over coffee at the times shown below.

Wednesday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon & 6.30 - 8.00 pm (Candlelit Church).

Thursday 6.30 - 8.00 pm for all marriage and baptism enquiries.

Saturday 10.00 - 12.00 noon for coffee, Knit & Natter & space for quiet prayer.

Until Further Notice

There will be no 12 noon Holy Communion Service on Wednesday.

This Week: 11th – 16th September *in St Nicolas' Church unless otherwise stated*

Monday	1pm	Bumps & Babies
Tuesday	2pm	Hawkesley Home Group (21 Rednal Rd)
Wednesday	10am – 12 noon 6:30 – 8pm 8pm	Open Church / Open Bible Candlelit Church Open Bible
Thursday	9am – 11am 6:30-8pm	Tiny Tots Wedding & Baptism Bookings
Saturday	10am - 12 noon	Knit & Natter

Hawkesley Home Group

Will be meeting this Tuesday (12th Sept) at 21 Rednal Road @ 2pm They will be studying Archbishop Welbys book, "Dethroning Mammon".
All are welcome.

Next Sunday: 17th September 2017 *Trinity 14*

St Nicolas'	9:00am	Holy Communion
	10:30am	Holy Communion
	4:00pm	Baptisms
	6:00pm	Compline
Hawkesley	10:30 am	Morning Worship
Immanuel	10:30 am	Holy Communion

Next Sunday's Readings

Genesis 50.15-21	OT p 49
Romans 14.1-12	NT p 158
Matthew 18.21-35	NT p 19

Harvest Flowers – donations towards the cost of the flowers would be much appreciated. Please hand to me, place in the flower donations box in Church or leave with the Parish Office.
Thanks – Alison

For more detailed information about what's on in Kings Norton, pick up a copy of the **Parish Magazine.**

When visiting our churches, please take care of your personal belongings as you would in any public space.



St Nicolas' Church has an induction loop (T-Loop). This operates with any standard hearing aid when switched to the >T= position.