

THIS WEEK

Sunday 18th May

9.00 am BCP Holy Communion
10.30 am Holy Communion
APCM after service
6.00 pm Evening Prayer

WEDNESDAY 21st May

10.00am-12.00pm OPEN CHURCH
10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter Hawkesley

THURSDAY 22nd May

9.00am-11.00am TINY TOTS
10.00am-12.00pm
Churchyard Volunteer care team

SATURDAY 24th May

10.00am—12.00pm—OPEN CHURCH

SUNDAY 25th May

9.00 BCP Holy Communion with
robed choir
10.30 Morning Praise
6.00 Compline

Collect for the Week

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

18th May 2025



St. Nicolas, Kings Norton

Incorporating Hawkesley LEP

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READINGS:

TODAY

Acts 11:1-18 page 126
John 13:31-35 page 105

NEXT WEEK

Acts 16: 9-15
John 14: 23-29

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5th Sunday of Easter

‘I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’ John 13:34-35

Jesus gives us a new commandment. To love one another. Perhaps the hardest commandment of all. Because let’s face it, we can all be difficult to love at times. Loving our family and friends is tricky enough. But then there are people who challenge us because of their difference – people who look or act differently, people who annoy or upset us. Loving them is tricky. Being open hearted, like Jesus with his arms open wide in love on the cross is something we can aspire too. But it isn’t easy. Perhaps Jesus knew that which is why he adds that people will know you are his disciples if you do this. A call to discipleship. **Pauline**

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Sunday 13th July Parish Lunch at Kings Norton Golf Club

Rector's Retirement

Rev Larry has announced his retirement from full-time ministry. His last Sunday at St Nicolas will be Sunday 27th July at the 10.30am service. After retirement he will be assisting in a part time honorary role as Assistant Minister in the parish of St Andrew's, Wilmcote, near Stratford upon Avon.

Please Remember in your prayers: Mason Green, Paul Cowley, Siobhan and Darlene, June McCoy, Pauline Wells, Joyce Hancock, Maureen Black, Steven Fearon, Greta Lacey, Sarah Byford, Catherine Wilkinson, Gabriella Young, Matthew Coulter, Sandra, John Osborne, Margaret Roper, Jean Dewey, Eddie Matthews, Mary Barnes, Kate Charalambous, Donald Bullas, Fiona Fendick, Kath Baylis, David Hanson, Lyn Taylor and Yeali Turan.

Those Who have died and those who grieve for them: James Crook, David Nutt and Rev'd Bill Norman.

Lady Chapel: Prayers are offered here after the 10.30am service. Please come if you would like someone to pray with you.

Rev'd Bill Norman—notice received this week.

Our father, Bill Norman - Rector of King's Norton until 1991 - died on Saturday 10th May 2025, peacefully and at home. He was ninety-nine, with twenty grandchildren and twenty-three great-grandchildren. Though no stranger to tragedy and bedbound for his final year, he remained unwavering in his gratitude for the many blessings in his life – and we are so grateful that he was our father.

His funeral will be held at 2.30 pm on 5th June at St Mary's Church, Balham High Road, London SW17.

With happy memories of my childhood in King's Norton,
Charity Norman

Rev. Mark Bennett

It has been announced that Mark has been appointed Area Dean of Kings Norton, Moseley and Shirley Deanery and Interim Minister of St Paul's Balsall Heath. He will be taking up post at the end of June. His last Sunday with us will be 1st June. His licensing service is on 24th June 7.00 pm at the United Church of St Paul's, 100 Mary Street, Balsall Heath. All are welcome.

B30 and South Birmingham Foodbank

Please keep clients, trustees, managers and all the team members in your prayers. Our most urgent needs are tinned spaghetti, jam, honey and rice (500g).