

Thought for the Day

In today's Bible readings, the Old Testament Prophet Isaiah and the New Testament Apostle Matthew remind us that the God who made the stars is not distant or unreachable, but present and active among us.

Isaiah lifts our eyes to the greatness of God: the One who measures the waters, names the stars, and holds the nations in his hands. Yet this vast and holy God is not unaware of our weakness. He gives strength to the weary, power to the powerless, and renewal to those who wait upon Him. The prophet's words speak directly into our moments of exhaustion, doubt, and discouragement. They remind us that God's understanding is beyond ours, but that His care is deeply personal.

In Matthew's Gospel, the risen Jesus stands before His disciples with all authority in heaven and on earth. He does not send them in their own strength, but with a command and a promise. Go and make disciples. Know that He is with you always. The same Lord who renews the faint in Isaiah commissions ordinary people to carry his Gospel to the nations.

Taken together, these passages call us to humility, trust, and mission. We *serve a God who is greater than all creation, yet who is near enough to strengthen us for every step and every task.* David Ash

Please Remember in your prayers:

Mason Green, Paul Cowley, Siobhan and Darlene, June McCoy, Pauline Wells, Joyce Hancock, Maureen Black, Steven Fearon, Greta Lacey, Gabriella Young, Matthew Coulter, Margaret Roper, Eddie Matthews, Mary Barnes, Kate Charalambous, Donald Bullas, Kath Baylis, Angela Brady, Lorraine Langdon, Annette Dickers, Byrnicie McMullen, Claire Phillips, Thelma and Neville Mitchell, Dinah O'Flaherty, Olyn Brady, Carol Devic, Carole Griffiths and Jean Hooper.

Those Who have died and those who grieve for them: Otis Dennis, Constantine Williams, John Osbourne, Christine Robinson and Elaine Brooks



Notices

PRAYER MINISTRY – Will be available after the service in the Lady Chapel on 31st May, 7th June and 21st June. If you would like prayer at other times, please approach one of the Ministry Team.

THE RETURN OF KINGS NORTON FESTIVAL

A reminder of the items we are looking for – donations please of any of the following:

Toiletries – new and unopened
Bottles – of anything! in date and unopened
Jigsaws – complete please
Items for the tombola
Toys – new or excellent condition
Hand Crocheted or knitted items suitable for selling.

Please put any donations on the table in the baptistry or bring to the Parish Office.

B30 AND SOUTH BIRMINGHAM FOODBANK

B30 and South Birmingham Foodbank
Donations of food remain critically low, with us buying 50-75% of our weekly needs. Our purchasing team are finding every way possible to get best value for money, as well as reviewing the food-parcel contents with the front-of-house team. Sainsbury's, Aldi KN and Bookers Stirchley are all partners within our overall purchasing plan. Our most urgent needs are tinned spaghetti, jam/honey, rice (500g), tinned fish (things other than tuna preferably) and gender-neutral shampoos.

Thank you for all your support: prayer and donations, both financial and of food.

FIRST FRIDAY HYMNS

On the first Friday of the month in St Nicolas, from 11-12noon. Exploring well known, new and forgotten hymns, linked with a theme or church season.

OPEN CHURCH

We are looking for more volunteers to help run our Open Church sessions on a Wednesday and Saturday mornings. If you are interested, please speak to Shane.

THIS WEEK	
SUNDAY 31ST MAY	9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Rev Mark Bennett) 10.30 am Holy Communion (Rev Mark Bennett) 6.00 pm Celtic Service (Steve W & Mervyn McG)
MONDAY 1ST JUNE	2.30 pm Handbells (Please speak to Sylvia if interested)
TUESDAY 2ND JUNE	6.00 -8.00pm Junior Choir (Please speak to Sylvia if interested)
WEDNESDAY 3RD JUNE	10.00am-12.00pm Open Church 10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter @ Hawkesley Church B38 9TR.
THURSDAY 4TH JUNE	9.00-11.00am Tiny Tots 10.00-12.00pm Churchyard Team
FRIDAY 5TH JUNE	7.15-8.30pm Adult Choir Practice (please speak to Sylvia if interested)
SATURDAY 6TH JUNE	10.00 am – 12.00 pm Open Church
SUNDAY 7TH JUNE	9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Bishop Esther) 10.30 am Holy Communion (Bishop Esther) 6.00 pm Taizé Prayer (David Ash)

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 11th July 2026 Kings Norton Festival

Saturday 10th October Craft Fair

Men's Group

The Men's Group Annual Garden Party, an open event, is on Monday 22 June from 7.30 at the Badger's house. For more details, please speak to Steve Wright, John Adams or David Badger. Please bring food to share and a chair if you need one. Drinks provided.

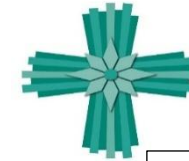
31st May 2026

St. Nicolas, Kings Norton

Trinity Sunday

Incorporating Hawkesley LEP

Part of the Church of England



Collect for the Week

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge
of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the
mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.

TODAY

Isaiah 40:12-17, 27-end p.678

Matthew 28:16-end p.32

NEXT WEEK

Romans 4:16-end p.151

Matthew 9:9-13,18-26 p.8

QR To Donate! Alternatively, donate at the back of church or using our donation boxes!



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