

Thought for the Day

'...so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him.'
Acts 17:27

That comment from Paul in today's reading is strange, considering what he has to say in Romans about the relationship between God and people. In the previous verse, Paul mentions an unnamed 'ancestor', who is clearly Abraham. Yet, Abraham (as Paul tells us in Romans) didn't 'grope' for God; God revealed Himself to him. Paul tells the Athenians that '[he sees] how extremely religious [they] are in every way.' (v22). Religious people try to reach God, find Him or please Him through their own efforts; and sadly there are Christians who act this way. That isn't the Way. God doesn't want the 'sacrifices' of our efforts; He wants us as a living sacrifice. In that way, we will produce 'fruit' through faith. Where is God, for you, right now?

Steve

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, Byrnicc McMullen, Claire Phillips, Thelma and Neville Mitchell, Dinah O'Flaherty, Olyn Brady, Carol Devic and Carole Griffiths.

Those Who have died and those who grieve for them: Doreen Ravenall, James Ross and Otis Dennis. 🍀

Notices

PRAYER MINISTRY – Will be available after the service in the Lady Chapel on 17.5.26 and 31.5.26. If you would like prayer at other times, please approach one of the Ministry Team.

Orchestral Concert in St Nicolas

Saturday 23rd May at 7.30pm - pay as you are able (guide price is £12 - but that is only a guide).

Music by Mendelssohn, Mozart and Saint-Saens - including Saint-Saens Cello Concerto. Do come and join us.

THE RETURN OF KINGS NORTON FESTIVAL

Plans for the Festival are well underway and now we need your help.

For the stalls that we are running we need donations – so time to have a hunt in those cupboards or add an item to your shopping list please.

We need donations 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.

Nearer the time we will need plants and cakes but not yet! (or the plants will need watering and the cakes might get eaten.....)

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

MEN'S GROUP Monday 18 May 7.30 - Zoe Stewart will give an illustrated talk on walking the Camino de Santiago last year. The meeting is open to all.

B30 AND SOUTH BIRMINGHAM FOODBANK -Our stock levels remain very low – with us buying at least 50% of our needs each week. Aldi Kings Norton is becoming a very important partner as we work with them on bulk ordering. **Our most urgent needs** are rice (500g), tinned soup, jam/honey, tinned spaghetti and soap (bar or liquid).

THIS WEEK	
SUNDAY 10TH MAY	9.00 am Matins (Sylvia Fox) 10.30 am Morning Praise (Dorothea M & Pauline W) 12.00 pm APCM followed by PCC 6.00 pm Communion/Anointing (Rev Eliakim Ikechukwu)
MONDAY 11TH MAY	2.30 pm Handbells (Please speak to Sylvia if interested)
TUESDAY 12TH MAY	6.00 -8.00pm Junior Choir (Please speak to Sylvia if interested)
WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY	10.00am-12.00pm Open Church 10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter @ Hawkesley Church B38 9TR.
THURSDAY 14TH MAY	9.00-11.00am Tiny Tots 10.00-12.00pm Churchyard Team
FRIDAY 15TH MAY	7.15-8.30pm Adult Choir Practice (please speak to Sylvia if interested)
SATURDAY 16TH MAY	10.00 am – 12.00 pm Open Church
SUNDAY 17TH MAY	9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Canon Rob Morris) 10.30 am Holy Communion (Canon Rob Morris) 6.00 pm Compline (Ruth Howman & Dorothea M)

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sunday 10th May APCM at St Nicolas after 10.30 service followed by PCC meeting.

Monday 18th May 7.30 pm Men's Group @ St Nicolas.

Saturday 23rd May Concert in Church (see notices)

Saturday 11th July 2026 Kings Norton Festival

Saturday 10th October Craft Fair

10th May 2026
St. Nicolas, Kings Norton
6th Sunday of Easter
Incorporating Hawkesley LEP
Part of the Church of England



READINGS TODAY

Acts 17:22-31 p.134

John 14:15-21p.106

NEXT WEEK

Acts 1:6-14 p.114

John 17:1-11 p.108

Collect for the Week

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your
call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your
command and draw the nations to
the fire of your love, to the glory of
God the Father. Amen.

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



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