

## Thought for the Day

Have you ever been through something, perhaps something difficult, and not realised until later that God was walking with you the whole time? In today's reading from Luke (chapter 24 verses 13-35) this is what happened to Cleopas and his friend on their journey to Emmaus. As they walked, they talked about the death of Jesus - a sad and difficult time. Then Jesus comes and walks alongside them explaining everything, although they did not recognise him. It wasn't until later that they realised who their companion was, and then everything fell in to place.

It can be very hard to recognise that God is with us, especially when we are going through a difficult time. It may be that we can only see that God was walking alongside us when we look back, and our eyes are opened. Personally, I find it very reassuring that God is with me even when I am unaware of it. Let us pray for God to open our eyes to his presence at all times and that we may help others to know that God is walking alongside them.

Ruth

### **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, Don and Family, Lorraine Langdon, Darcey, Annette Dickers, Byrnice McMullen, Claire Phillips, Thelma and Neville Mitchell, Dinah O'Flaherty Olyn Brady and Carol Devic

**Those Who have died and those who grieve for them:** Ken Tinkler 

## Notices

**PRAYER MINISTRY** – Will be available after the service in the Lady Chapel on 19.4.26, 3.5.26, 17.5.26 and 31.5.26. If you would like prayer at other times, please approach one of the Ministry Team.

### **A Thank You**

Revd Jayne and family would like to thank everyone for their messages, prayers and cards on the death of her father Ken Tinkler. His funeral will be in Saint Nicholas Church on Wednesday 29th of April at 2pm everybody welcome.

### **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.

**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	HOLY WEEK
<b>SUNDAY 19<sup>H</sup> APRIL</b>	9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Rev John Nightingale) 10.30 am Holy Communion (Rev Rob Morris) 6.00 pm Compline (Sylvia Fox & Ruth Howman)
<b>MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL</b>	10.00 am-12.00 am Churchyard Team 2.30 Handbells (speak to Sylvia if interested) 7.30 pm PCC Meeting
<b>TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL</b>	6.00 -8.00pm Junior Choir (Please speak to Sylvia if interested) 7.00 pm Men's Group Social History of Druid's Heath
<b>WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL</b>	10.00am-12.00pm Open Church 10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter @ Hawkesley Church B38 9TR.
<b>THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL</b>	9.00-11.00am Tiny Tots 10.00-12.00pm Churchyard Team
<b>FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL</b>	7.15-8.30pm Adult Choir Practice (please speak to Sylvia if interested)
<b>SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL</b>	10.00 am – 12.00 pm Open Church
<b>SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL</b>	9.00 am Matins (David Ash) 10.30 am Morning Praise (Pauline W & Dorothea M) 6.00 pm Holy Communion (Rev Theresa Morton)

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May APCM at St Nicolas after 10.30 service.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2026 Kings Norton Festival

**19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**St. Nicolas, Kings Norton**

**3rd Sunday of Easter**

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### **READINGS TODAY**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 p.116

Luke 24:13-35 p.86

### **NEXT WEEK**

Acts 2:42-end p.116

John 10:1-10 p.100

### Collect for the Week

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, 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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