

The Church of England in the parishes of Melbourne,
Smisby, Stanton by Bridge and Ticknall



The Bulletin

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Palm Sunday - 20th March 2016

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee

Readings: can be found on pages 11/12

Setting: *Daley* Missa Brevis 4

Gradual Psalm: 118 vv.1-2, 19-24 *plainchant* (page 12)

Hymns: 509 omit *, 86 v.2 women/children, v.4 men [79, 83] 511

Anthem: *Crucem tuam adoramus, Domine Pawel Lukaszewski*
(a translation of today's anthem is on page 6)

Organ Voluntary: Fantasia on 'Valet will ich dir geben'

(BWV735) *J.S.Bach*

Refreshments are served after the service. All who wish to stay will be very welcome. An excellent chance to build up community here.

6.30pm Shortened form of Evensong followed by a performance of

'Were you there when they crucified my Lord?'

by St Michael's Players

Hymns: 511, 95

Psalm: 62

Organ Voluntary: *Valet will ich dir geben* *Max Reger*

Yellow tax reclaim collection envelopes are in the pews. Please use them if you are offering cash during the services today, remembering to enter your name, address and postcode. Thank you very much.

Melbourne Parish Church: St Michael with St Mary

Part of the Melbourne Group of Parishes: Melbourne, Ticknall, Smisby and Stanton.

Melbourne Parish Church has a long and distinguished history. Once the southern seat of the Bishops of Carlisle, it now has a ministry to the small market town of Melbourne. Sunday and daily worship, music, youth work, bellringing, outreach and pastoral care, together with a lively Friends programme, are all valued parts of the life and ministry here.

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Welcome!

A very warm welcome to worship today, a particular greeting going to those who are visitors or newcomers.

The church is open daily, 9am – 5.15pm

Across the Benefice today

Melbourne: 8am – Revd Canon David Thomas
10.30am – Revd Canon David Thomas
6.30pm – Canon David Edwards
Smisby: 5.30pm – Revd Angela Plummer
Stanton: 11am – Revd Angela Plummer
Ticknall: 9.15am – Revd Angela Plummer



Easter Sunday, 27th March

There will be a Choral Evensong to celebrate Easter Day and this will be followed by Seasonal Refreshments provided by the Choir.
A perfect way to conclude a day of joy and celebration!

Please support this service if you are able.

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Were you there when they crucified My Lord?

St Michael's Players will be performing an adapted version of Sarah Klassen's piece *Were you there when they crucified My Lord?* as part of Evensong tonight.

It is a powerful and moving set of dramatic readings, using biblical text and the imagination to explore what thoughts may have been going through the minds of those who were around Jesus, as friends, followers and enemies, on the day of his crucifixion.

It will be performed after a shortened Evensong service, the whole event lasting about one hour. The cast includes some talented young people who have recently joined the Players. Admission is, obviously, free and we hope that as many people as possible will be able to join us on the 20th.

Lent Lunches: Did we beat the record?

This year we raised £464 for Calcutta Cathedral Relief Services - £40 up on last year so yes we did! A great effort. Many thanks to all the soup (and bread) makers, to all the washers up, servers and to all the people who came and helped or ate the soup week by week. Will we be able to beat this excellent total next year?

The Social Committee

Taking responsibility for Church life today:

This *Bulletin* section is a useful reminder to all who are on duty at this time, and may well also help visitors and newcomers to begin to identify who's who:

8am Holy Communion

Server: John Tivey

Sidesmen: Sheena & Henry Wilkins

Reader: Margaret Sharp

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee

Sidesmen: Janet & Cliff Warner

Crucifer: Graham Truscott

Server: Joy Hill

Reader: Leighton Grimes

Intercessor: Margaret Brackenbury

Junior Church: Lisa Gilchrist, Rachel Hill

Coffee: Kate Landenberger, Maurice & Pam Starkey

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Readers' rota Janet Warner 01283 701542 (janet@warner8.freemove.co.uk)

6.30pm Shortened form of Evensong followed by a performance of 'Were you there when they crucified my Lord?' by St Michael's Players
Sidesmen: Ann Hammond

Illuminating the Tower

To make your booking, please call the church office - 862153. Donations to sponsor the lights for an evening should be placed in a clearly marked envelope and put in the Sunday collection or put through the Rectory letterbox.

Daily Prayer in church

Tuesday & Wednesday **Morning Prayer** 9.15 am

Tuesday to Thursday **Evening Prayer** 5.00 pm (BCP)

You will be very welcome occasionally or regularly. This church, all who live in this parish, and the needs of the world, are prayed for daily.

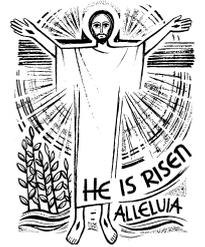
Thursdays at 9.15am Holy Communion

DAYS OFF: Angela has Friday as her day off. Please try to limit calls and emails on these days to issues that are urgent.

Holy Week & Easter



During Holy Week, we remember Christ's journey to the cross and then on to resurrection. His journey and ours begins with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. On Maundy Thursday we recall the Last Supper, the washing of the disciples' feet and the institution of Holy Communion. And then, on Good Friday, we stand, sorrowing, before the cross. Our journey takes us through so many different emotions before we finally reach the joy of the Easter morning. Easter means so much more if we have visited all the places along the way.



May I encourage all of you to participate in Holy Week and Easter as fully as possible? It would be good to have a large congregation for all the principal services - details below. *Angela*

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Monday in Holy Week

7.00pm Eucharist

Tuesday in Holy Week

7.00pm Reflective Service

Wednesday in Holy Week

7.00pm Eucharist

Maundy Thursday

9.15am Eucharist

Stanton: 7.30pm Sung Eucharist (with Melbourne Choir)

Good Friday

2.00pm The Liturgy of the Cross

Ticknall 7.30pm Sung Compline (with Melbourne and Ticknall Choirs)

Holy Saturday

8.00pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Day

8.00am Eucharist

10.30am Festival Eucharist

6.30pm Choral Evensong

A Translation of this week's Choir Anthem:

Crucem tuam adoramus, Domine
et sanctum resurrectionem tuam laudamus, et glorificamus
ecce enim propter lignum
venit gaudium in universo mundo.
*We adore Thy Cross, O Lord
and we praise and glorify Thy holy Resurrection
for behold by the wood of the Cross
joy has come into the whole world.*

Sidespersons needed: We are looking for more people to act as Sidespersons for the services on a Sunday. If you might be interested, please speak with Linda or Joanna. Apart from being valuable for the church and our welcome it is a good way to meet more people in the church. Ideally we need to know before the APCM in April so please don't delay but form an orderly queue!
Thank you, *Joanna Hocknell*

Easter Lilies – Last Call

Lilies are an ancient symbol of resurrection and so it is appropriate that they are used as we decorate the church for the great Easter festival. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of someone, please could you contact Sheena Wilkins (865053) or Margaret Murray-Leslie (862921). The cost of a lily is again £3. The monies and names of those to be remembered can also be given to the Wardens. Thank you.

Decorating the church at Easter: The church will be decked for Easter on the morning of Saturday 26th March (Easter Eve) from 10am. If you can help in any way, please contact Sheena Wilkins or Margaret Murray-Leslie (numbers above) or just arrive on the day. Help is always welcome. Contributions of greenery are very gratefully received, as are donations for the flowers that complement the lilies. Thank you. *Margaret and Sheena*

Experience Easter:

You will hopefully notice Experience Easter stations around the church. On Tuesday morning we welcomed seventy children (not all at once!) with teachers and helpers from Melbourne Infant School. We all enjoyed a wonderful morning as the Easter story was retold at each of the six stations. The children readily joined in different activities with questions and a lively sharing of ideas and thoughts. We came together at the beginning and end of the sessions. THANK YOU to helpers who put their creative skills to good use and gave their time to be with the children. They truly were a delight and we felt blessed to have shared the Easter experience with them. Please do take time to have a look at the stations around the church. *Linda Latchford*

UP IN THE AIR!



Children's Praise Party

Date: Monday 11th April
Time: 9am - 12 & 12:30 - 2:30pm
Cost: £3 per session or £5 all day
For: Children age 5-11
Where: Melbourne Parish Church

Registration at the door on arrival

Pete from 'Pulse Ministries' is coming on the school INSET Day to lead another day of fun with games, songs and Bible Stories.

For more information, please contact

Rachel 01332 416152 / rachel@coupe.me.uk

Help needed !

Friends ! Tickets are being reserved very fast for the lecture to be given by David Thomas on 13th April. The church I think, will be full by the time we get there. It is really good news that so many people want to hear what David has to say about **British or Muslim: Community Living or Parallel Lives?** **Please don't forget to ring Griselda to reserve your tickets even if you're a Friend (864756).**

It is free to the Friends but I need help with the making of canapés - is there anyone who would make a plate of something and bring it, either to the Dower House beforehand or bring it to the church with them? Please let me know. It would be really kind. We are also going to need wine and soft drinks.....

Thank you everyone for your support in this. *Griselda.*

Village Quiz:

Congratulations to St Michael's Players who won the Village Quiz again this year. What brains they have among them. £1200 was presented to a representative from Rainbows, a very worthwhile sum indeed! Thank you to the Committee who organised and catered for our Friday evening winter Entertainment and well done to all the teams brave enough to take part.

Sign-up list:

Please see the noticeboard at the back of church if you need/can offer a lift for the Maundy Thursday service at Stanton or Good Friday's Sung Compline at Ticknall.

Choir on the road

Sign-up notices are now on the Church noticeboard for the Choir's two Bank Holiday trips in May to Bristol on Monday 2nd and to Lincoln on Monday 30th. We value greatly the support of the congregation and other friends on these trips and are looking forward to singing at these Cathedrals, both of which are return visits after invitations received last time.

Do come along if you haven't been on one of our trips before – they are free days to do as you please and there is Choral Evensong before the return home.

The Bristol Coach is £17 per seat and leaves at 8.45a.m.

The Lincoln Coach is £16 per seat and leaves at 9.15a.m.

Special price: £30 for both trips, if paid by May 1st.

Reminder:

Coach trip to St. George's Chapel Windsor, Saturday, 20th August
(*Choir singing the weekend services - further details soon*)

Coach trip to Chester Cathedral, Saturday 29th October

Please get in touch if you want further information
(simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or 01543 258777).

Simon Collins, Director of Music

IT'S SUNDAY!



HAVE A CUP OF TEA

Sunday Teas:

Gentle Reminder I am now starting to put the rota together, which I hope to go up in church early April. I have not quite contacted everyone yet, but will do so soon. If there is anyone out there who would enjoy baking, serving or just washing up, do please contact me or anyone on the Social Committee. We

now have Easter Monday sorted, but any extra cakes are welcome to start us off.

We will be using the Rectory garden again which is always a big draw for our visitors. Half of the profits will go to nominated charities again this year.

Many thanks, *Carolyn Tasker*

Carolyntasker@hotmail.co.uk

[At the last PCC meeting it was decided to support Melbourne Community Care, The Air Ambulance and Us (formerly the United Society) this year.]

A DERBYSHIRE PASSION:

Stations of the Cross Exhibition, Derby Cathedral, Sat 12th March to Thurs 31st March

Derby Cathedral is hosting an exhibition of 15 works of art by Derbyshire artists depicting the story of Christ's passion. These works include paintings, textiles and lettering. Michael Cook, who painted The Red Cup which hangs in our own church has painted two of the exhibits though his depiction of 'The Resurrection' will not feature until Easter Saturday. If you are in the Cathedral Quarter do drop in to see this unique exhibition.

At the same time an exhibition of lino cuts by Mark Cazalet, depicting 'The Path to Calvary', can be seen in the Sir Richard Morris Lounge. *Ros Bell*

The Lenten Journey

By Bishop

Alastair

In one of his sermons at the University Church in Oxford, where he was the Vicar, John Henry Newman highlighted three markers that help us recognise the value of Lent and the miracle of Easter.

Honesty

First, he called upon his parishioners to recognise that “many lives are blighted by sins unconfessed and unabsolved”. How many of us carry the burden of mistakes, failures or wilful selfishness that we have not really owned – just tried to put to one side, or move on from? Psychologists, let alone spiritual guides, know that these kind of negative factors remain as powerful undercurrents. One of the challenges and tragedies of our time is the tendency to live as though sin was not real – the key emphasis is confidence and improvement. Negatives are regrettable, but to be conquered by our own formal momentum.

The miracle of Easter includes the dynamic that honesty with ourselves, including our failures and sins, is the only way of becoming open to the grace of forgiveness and the new start that resurrection can bring.

Community

Newman's second point was that personal faith and experience becomes selfishness unless it is placed in a wider framework. The glad acknowledgement that each of us can only thrive if we are part of a community. Wholeness for each individual is only found and experienced through participation in a Holy Communion. The miracle of Easter is that broken, imperfect lives can be bound together into the Body of Christ. A Holy Communion which supports the self not just now, but into eternity.

Ambition

Newman's final observation was to highlight that “England was dominated by an appetite for wealth and power”. Perhaps even more the case today than

in the middle of the nineteenth century when he was preaching. The miracle of Easter invites our ambition to be for the wellbeing of others, especially those in need, as a sign of how God's new life is tasted together on earth, as it will be in heaven. The Easter people of the Resurrection gathered to look outwards into the needs and hopes of others. We call this mission.

A powerful framework for our thoughts and prayers in Lent, as we prepare to recognise once again the miracle of Easter.

From Our Diocese (a monthly publication from the Diocese of Derby website).

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	9.30am	Morning Prayer at Ticknall Church
	2pm	Caring Hands in The Honner Room
	7pm	Eucharist
Tuesday:	7pm	Reflective Service
Wednesday:	2pm	Home Communion
	7pm	Eucharist
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday
	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Eucharist at Stanton
Good Friday:	2pm	Liturgy of the Cross at Melbourne
	7.30pm	Sung Compline at Ticknall
Saturday:	9am	Bulletin production team in Church House
	10am	Decorating the church for Easter Day
	5pm	Church prepared for Sunday worship

A pattern for daily prayer, so that, at home or at church, we can pray together

Monday: Those in great poverty or need.

Tuesday: Those who have asked for our prayers: Anne Brazier, Alison Emery, Kit Emery, Karen Grewcock, Fred Heafield, Madge Limbert, Wendie Moore and Helen Salih. Also those in Derby's hospitals and hospices. All at Pool Cottage.

Wednesday: Our group of parishes.

Thursday: The church worldwide. All Christian people. The local church. The Anglican Communion.

Friday: All in need, especially the hungry, poor and homeless.

The departed

In our prayers this week, we can remember those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Harry Brame, William Hancock, Mary Messer and David Taylor.

Next Week at Melbourne – Easter Day

8am Holy Communion

(Sidesmen: Noreen & Tony Taylor)

10.30am Festival Eucharist, Sunday Crèche & Coffee

(Sidesmen: Victoria Hancock)

(Coffee: Mary Bolton, Margaret Brackenbury,

Kate Landenberger)

6.30pm Choral Evensong

(Sidesman: Sheena & Henry Wilkins)

From March's prayer page:

Lord, you rode straight into the power of the enemy to suffer and die; give us strength to follow you to the centres of opposition in this world, and the confidence which confronts power with love. Amen

Susan Williams

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

The First Reading: *Philippians 2.5-11*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Gospel Reading (at 8am): *Luke 19.28-40*

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has

never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." ' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *(Plainchant, sung by the Choir)*

(Please turn to face the Gospel reader in the aisle during the singing of the Psalm)

Psalm 118.1-2,19-24

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious *
because his mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious *
and that his mercy endureth for ever.

Open me the gates of righteousness *
that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord *
the righteous shall enter into it.

I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me *
and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused *
is become the head-stone in the corner.

This is the Lord's doing *
and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.