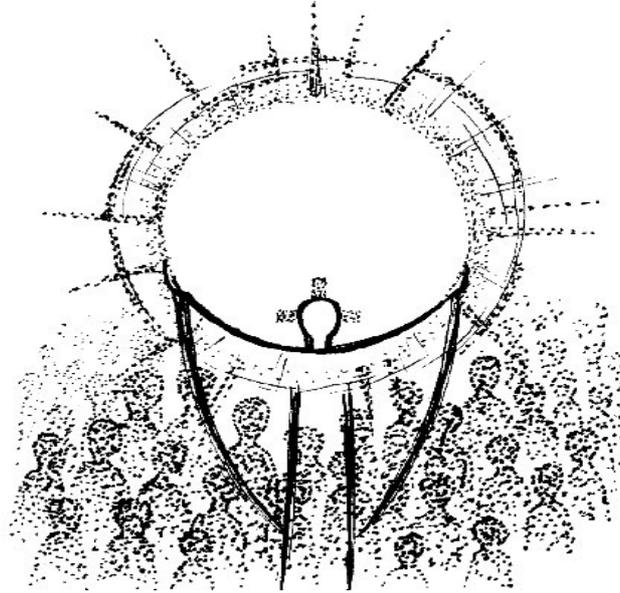


The Church of England in the parishes of Melbourne,
Smisby, Stanton by Bridge and Ticknall



The Bulletin

A weekly publication for the Parish of Melbourne



The Seventh Sunday of Easter - 8th May 2016

The Sunday after Ascension Day

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee

Readings: can be found on pages 6-8

Setting: *Rawsthorne* Festive Eucharist

Gradual Psalm: 97 (page 8)

Hymns: 132, 446 [131, 134] 332 omit *

Anthem: I will not leave you comfortless *Titcomb*

Organ Voluntary: March on Handel's 'Lift up your heads'

Guilmant

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

6pm **Christian Aid Week service at Melbourne Methodist Church**

Organised by Churches together in Melbourne (No Service here)

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.

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 Sandra Chantry
10.30am - Archdeacon Christopher Cunliffe
6.30pm - No service here tonight

Smisby: 5.30pm - Canon David Edwards

Stanton: 10.30am - At Swarkestone

Ticknall: 9.15am - Revd Prebendary Tony Wood



This morning at 10.30am:

As our own priests are not available today, the Archdeacon of Derby, the Ven. Christopher Cunliffe, has kindly agreed to take the service. A very warm welcome to him from us all!

Directory: Please note that there is a laminated directory with phone numbers (previously page 2 of the bulletin) now available on the noticeboard at the back of church should you need it.

Sunday Teas: From 3pm - 5pm today in the Honner Room.

Please don't forget to look at the rota to see when you are down for a session, it's on the noticeboard at the back of church. We are supporting Community Care, The Air Ambulance and Us this year with half the monies raised; the other half will be for church funds. Please come and support the venture if you are able; it's a very pleasant place to sit and have a cup of tea or to stroll around the Rectory Gardens. We are looking for willing and able volunteers to put out tables and chairs in the Honner Room after the 10.30am service on a regular or occasional basis. Please contact the Wardens if you can help. Carolyn Tasker is taking the lead with Sunday Teas this year so please get in touch with her if you have any queries. Her number is 864940 or after a service. Many thanks, *The Social Committee*

Christian Aid Week: Please can you help with house to house collections in Christian Aid Week? All the churches in Melbourne share in this - we need to do our part. Christian Aid works among the poorest of the poor to raise families out of poverty and to help in times of disaster. Thank you.

Contact Sheena Wilkins after a church service or on 865053.

Bright Lights Performance of 'Robin Hood' in church tonight at 5pm. Entrance free, donations welcome! Don't miss the amazing adventures of Robin Hood and his 'Merrie Men'. All welcome!

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: Tom Mills

Sidesmen: Noreen & Tony Taylor

Reader: Brenda Bryant

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee

Sidesmen: Annabel Needham, Victoria Hancock

Crucifer: John Glaze

Server: Jo Glaze

Reader: Terry Harrison

Intercessor: Sheena Wilkins

Junior Church: Lisa Gilchrist, Paul Fletcher-Read

Coffee: Mary Bolton, Terry & Avril Harrison

Coffee rota Kate Landenberger 01283 200762

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

**6pm Christian Aid Week service at Melbourne Methodist Church
(No Service here this evening)**

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.

Garden Fête

Saturday May 21st from 2pm - 4pm
in the Rectory Garden



Stalls to include:

Plants: the Choir. (There is an order form for pre-paid plants for those who wish to order early or who are unable to come on the day. Please speak to a member of the Choir)

Books: Joanna Hocknell. As we usually run out of space to display books we have decided to concentrate on paperbacks for the bookstall at the Garden Fête. If you have any to spare, please bring them to church or the Honner Rooms or if you want me to collect them please contact me on 865492. Thank you. *Joanna Hocknell*

Bling: Bronwen Truscott

Raffle: The Mothers' Union

Bottle Tombola: John Smallwood and Nigel Tasker

Bric-a-brac: Sheena Wilkins and team (only good quality please)

Cakes and Preserves: Maureen Anderson, Beth Anderson

Whacky Game: provided by Gordon Hughes and Graham Truscott

Junior Church: Lisa Gilchrist

Social & Promotional: Elsie Elliott and Ena Hunt

Sweets: Guess the weight of the sweets, Shirley Granelli

Teas: Linda Latchford, Jen Smallwood and Carolyn Tasker

'Poundland' Stall: Bellringers (Christine Franks leading)

Please put the date in your diaries and begin to sort out any **good quality bric-a-brac** and **paperback books** as well as **raffle prizes** and **bottles for the tombola**. Goods can be brought into church or on the day.

We will also need help to set up gazebos and to clear up afterwards. Setting up will be from 10.30am. If you could offer an hour or two, please let someone on the Social Committee know.

Social Committee: Sheena Wilkins, Linda Latchford, Joanna Hocknell, Carolyn Tasker and Jen Smallwood.

Many thanks, let's make it a great day!

The Choral Road in May.....

- Bank Holiday Mon, 30th May: Coach trip to Lincoln Cathedral

Sign-up list is on the noticeboard.

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

Future dates for the diary

- 20th and 21st August: Weekend at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle
(we also plan to run this as a coach day trip on Saturday 20th August)

- Saturday 29th October: Coach trip to Chester Cathedral

I do encourage you to come along if you are yet to experience one.

They are relaxing days "doing your own thing" and

Choral Evensong to enjoy before the journey back home.

All this, door-to-door, in the company of people you know!

(Enquiries: 01543 258777, simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or after services).

Simon Collins, Director of Music

The 'Lost Sculpture' of Ronald Pope - a lecture by Dr. Ronald Barstow, Reader in History and Theory of Art at the University of Derby on 16th June, 7.30pm

The Parish Church possesses three pieces by Ronald Pope - two pieces of sculpture and one painting. Dr. Barstow has kindly agreed to talk about this important local artist. He will place Pope's work at Melbourne in the context of his numerous commissions for religious and secular buildings, including schools, colleges, hospitals and law courts in Derbyshire and beyond. He will also consider the extent to which these public artworks have disappeared from sight in recent years due to neglect, theft or vandalism, and how we may help to prevent further losses.

This lecture is free to Friends, and tickets to non Friends will be £5 including a glass of wine. Tickets are available at the door and may be reserved by emailing griseldakerr@btinternet.com

Grass Cutting Rota: PLEASE consider whether you could join the GRASS CUTTING team to look after the area around the church. There is a rota from previous years but one or two people are now feeling that they would prefer to step down. Terry Harrison bravely stepped into the breach this week to tackle the jungle like terrain and Brian Banks has kindly offered for next week. Do have a word if you could help. Joanna, Kate or Linda will give more information. If you are already on the rota we'll assume you are happy to remain unless you tell us otherwise. Many thanks, *Linda Latchford*

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm	Caring Hands in the Honner Room
	6pm	Wedding Preparation
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	12noon	Chapter Meeting at Stapenhill
	6.30pm	Wedding Rehearsal in Church
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
Saturday:	9am	Renewal of Wedding Vows Service in Church
	9am	Bulletin production team in Church House
	12noon	Wedding
	4pm	Messy Church
	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, Fred Heafield, Madge Limbert and Wendie Moore. 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 Frederick Burden, Horace Percy James-Davies, Ruth Brookbanks, Joe Winters, Leonora Wilkins, Margaret Stevens and Jonathan Franks.

Next Week at Melbourne: Pentecost

8am Holy Communion (Sidesmen: Sue Dore, Ann Rafferty)

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee

(Sidesmen: Janet & Cliff Warner)

(Coffee: Griselda Kerr, Maurice & Pam Starkey)

6.30pm Evensong (Sidesman: Ann Hammond)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

The First Reading: *Acts 16.16-34*

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by

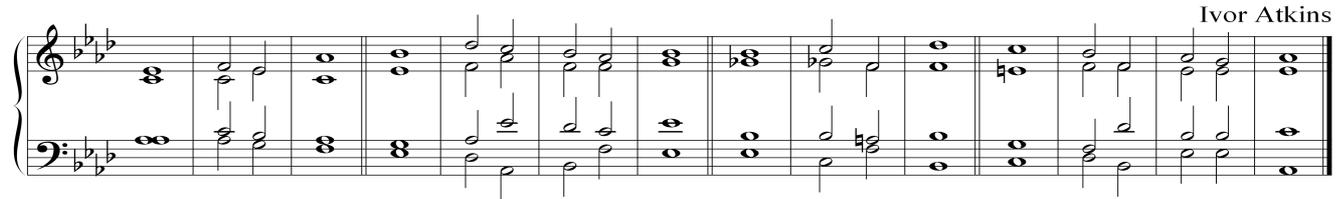
fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The Gospel Reading: *John 17.20-end*

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I

will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Gradual Psalm: *Psalm 97*



- 1 The Lord is king * let the | earth re- | joice;
let the | multitude • of the | isles be | glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are | round a- | bout him;
righteousness and justice are the foun- | dation | of his | throne.
- 3 Fire | goes be- | fore him:
and burns up his | enemies on | every | side.
- 4 His lightnings | lit up • the | world;
the | earth | saw it and | trembled.
- 5 The mountains melted like wax at the | presence • of the | Lord:
at the | presence • of the | Lord • of the | whole earth.
- 6 The heavens de- | clared his | righteousness:
and all the | peoples have | seen his | glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and de- | light in • mere |
idols: Bow down be- | fore him | all you | gods.
- 8 Zion heard and was glad * and the daughters of | Judah re- | joiced:
be- | cause of • your | judgements O | Lord.
- 9 For you Lord are most high over | all the | earth;
you are ex- | alted | far a-bove | all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves | those who • hate | evil;
he preserves the lives of his faithful *
and de- | livers them • from the | hand • of the | wicked.
- 11 Light has | sprung up • for the | righteous:
and | joy • for the | true of | heart.
- 12 Rejoice in the | Lord you | righteous,
and give | thanks • to his | holy | name.

Stop Press: The next **MESSY CHURCH** is happening on **Saturday 14th May from 4pm until 5.30pm in Church & in St Michael's House**. The theme is **EXPERIENCING PENTECOST** and there will be stations set up around church following this event. Members of the congregation are invited to drop in for 10 minutes or longer to see the children's activities taking place on the Saturday and to see the activity and reflection areas on the Sunday and the following week.

Linda Latchford