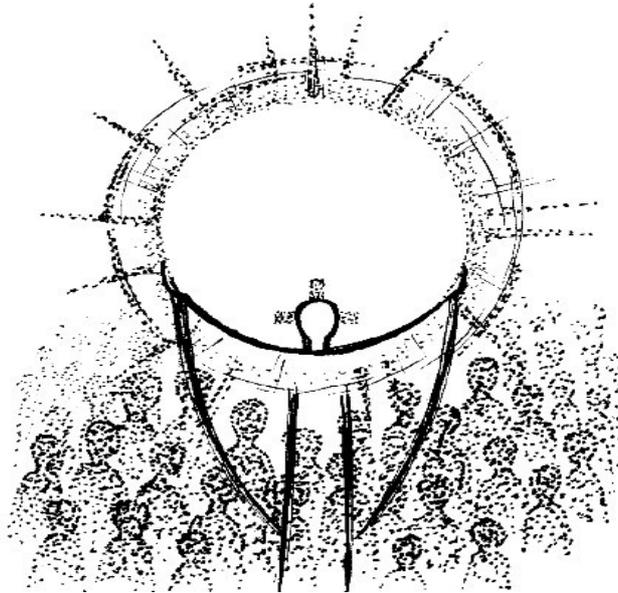


The Church of England in the parishes of Melbourne,
Smisby, Stanton by Bridge and Ticknall



The Bulletin

A weekly publication for the Parish of Melbourne



1st Sunday after Trinity 29th May 2016

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Sung Eucharist & Coffee.

Readings: can be found on page 8

Settings: *Rutter / Rogers / Pulkingham*

Hymns: 336, 394, 148 *omit* * [480, 277] 486

Anthem: Listen, sweet dove *Grayston Ives*

Organ Voluntary: *Intrada Grayston Ives*

As this is a fifth Sunday we welcome our sisters churches from Smisby, Stanton-by-Bridge and Ticknall.

There is no Junior Church today but a creche is available at the back of church for those with young children.

Refreshments are served after the service and all who wish to stay will be very welcome.

5.30 Joint 5th Sunday Evensong at **Smisby**
(no Evensong at Melbourne)

The Bulletin.

While Kate is off for the next few weeks I will be doing my best with the bulletin and looking after the office. The bulletin will need to be completed by Wednesday so please send items and rota changes as early in the week as possible. Thank you.

Joanna

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. Copies of this are available by the notice board at the back of Church if you wish to keep one at home.

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.

This week a donation has been given in memory of **Denys Bradshaw** whose anniversary we remember on 29th May.

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.

Forest Church

A bright warm day, a gathering of lovely people open to exploring their connections with God's creation (youngest 8, oldest preferred not to say!); many things to observe and listen to; and a moving liturgy and ritual led by Revd David Higgon. These were just some of the elements of the Forest Church gathering at Whistlewood Common last weekend.

What this was not was a standard church service held out of doors: it was, rather, a fresh expression of faith and spirituality - and a very meaningful and beautiful one at that, drawing on very old Christian traditions of connections with nature. In fact it drew particularly on the Celtic heritage locally: a St Bridget's cross, for example, fashioned from willow cut and

woven on site during the morning's activities, represented a link with the centuries-old history of St Bride's farm nearby and formed both a bridge through time in our imaginations and a centrepiece for the worship in the afternoon.

Melbourne churches were not well represented – just one person from the parish church. However, four other Whistlewood members – non-“churchgoers” joined two dozen or so lovely folk from elsewhere in the county to provide some tender care for the fledgling trees and a warm and gentle fellowship with the natural world and each other.

Is this something that Melbourne Christians want to see ? What kept you away ? What might tempt you to give it a try if another forest church session were to be held here ?

Lemon Curd and Preserves

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported the preserves stall at the Spring Fair last Saturday and also to the many people who continue to support me by providing jars.

Many people requested lemon curd which I had not been able to make due to ill health, lemon curd has a shorter shelf life than jam and marmalade and has to be made close to the event. I now have lemon curd available which can be purchased by contacting me and will also be available for sale at Sunday Teas I can also deliver if required.

Thank you and Best Wishes

Maureen Anderson Tel 863901 email maureen.anderson1953@yahoo.co.uk

Change of Address- Madge Limbert

Owing to her previous home closing, Madge has now moved to The Yews Care Home, 2 Church Street, Alvaston.

David Thomas' lecture on Islam

A few weeks ago David gave an excellent talk for the Friends about Islam entitled *“British and Muslim: communal living or parallel lives?”*

If anyone would like a copy of his talk please email Griselda Kerr at griseldakerr@btinternet.com

Forthcoming Events

Melbourne Mothers' Union

COFFEE EVENING

Tuesday June 7 in the Honner Room at 7.30 pm

Bring and Buy Cakes
Plants Raffle

Proceeds for Mothers' Union Work Overseas

*****Queen's Birthday Celebrations*****

On Sunday **June 12th** you are invited to a celebratory picnic to mark the Queen's official 90th birthday. Coffee will be served as usual after the 10.30 service before we make our way across to the Rectory garden.

Bring everything you need for your own picnic including food, drink, rugs etc. The bellringers will be ringing between 12noon and 2pm along with churches across the country. You might also choose to stay for afternoon tea in the garden from 3pm.

The National Anthem will be sung at both the 10.30 service and at Choral Evensong at 6.30pm. At Evensong there will be music of a festive nature with celebratory refreshments to follow. A perfect day!

(We can enjoy our picnics in church in the unlikely event of inclement weather!)

Linda and Joanna

Sponsored half-marathon in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care

Paul Fletcher-Read will be running the Ramathon on June 5th in order to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Care.

If you would like to sponsor him please give donations to Paul or Leighton or one of the wardens. Thank you for supporting this excellent charity.

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 on 16th June, 7.30pm in Melbourne Church

The Parish Church possesses three pieces by Ronald Pope - two pieces of sculpture and one painting. Dr Barstow is Reader in History and the Theory of Art at Derby University. 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 £3 including a glass of wine.

For catering purposes it would be helpful if people could reserve their tickets by either signing the sheet which will be in church, speaking to one of the wardens or by emailing griseldakerr@btinternet.com

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Bank Holiday Monday:		3-5 pm Teas in the Honner Room
Tuesday	11.am	Wedding preparation
	4.30 pm	Baptism preparation
	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
Saturday:	9am	Bulletin production team in Church House
	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, Kate Landenberger, 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 - Denys Bradshaw, Alice Bockock and Anna Lawrence.

Next Week at Melbourne: Trinity 2

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidesmen: Avril and Terry Harrison)

10.30am **Parish Communion & Coffee**

(Sidesmen: Pam Starkey, David Smith)

(Coffee: Maggie Kershaw, Annabel Needham, Steff Hughes)

6.30 **Evensong**

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

The First Reading: Galatians 1, 1-12

Paul an apostle—sent neither by human commission nor from human authorities, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead—and all the members of God’s family who are with me, to the churches of Galatia: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel—not that there is another gospel, but there are some who are confusing you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should proclaim to you a gospel contrary to what we proclaimed to you, let that one be accursed! As we have said before, so now I repeat, if anyone proclaims to you a gospel contrary to what you received, let that one be accursed!

Am I now seeking human approval, or God’s approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ. For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel Reading: Luke 7. 1-10

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, ‘He is worthy of having you do this for him, for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us.’ And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, ‘Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, “Go”, and he goes, and to another, “Come”, and he comes, and to my slave, “Do this”, and the slave does it.’ When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, ‘I tell you, not even

in Israel have I found such faith.' When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.