

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



# The Bulletin

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## Christ the King – 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Festival Eucharist, Junior Church & Coffee

**Readings:** can be found on page 8

**Introit:** Above all praise and all majesty *Mendelssohn*

**Settings:** *Cæsar St Mary's/ Eleanor Daley* Missa Brevis No. 4

**Hymns:** 345, 134, Hail Redeemer, (insert) [446, 306] 373

**Anthem:** O how glorious is the Kingdom *Basil Harwood*

**Organ Voluntary:** Final (Symphonie 1) *Louis Vierne*

*Refreshments are available after this service. Please join us at the back of church if you have time to stay.*

6.30pm Evensong

**Hymns:** 386, 391, 499, 352

**Psalm:** 72 vv.1-7

**Organ Voluntary:** Prince of Denmark's March *Jeremiah Clarke*

## Welcome!

Welcome to all worshipping here today with a special welcome to those who are visitors or newcomers.

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## Across the Benefice today

**Melbourne:**                *8am* - Revd Angela Plummer  
                                  *10.30am* - Revd Angela Plummer  
                                  *6.30pm* -  
**Smisby:**                    *4.30pm* - Revd Angela Plummer  
**Stanton:**                 *11am* - Revd Norman Bracewell  
**Ticknall:**                 *10.30am* - Mrs Mary Hirst



## Taking responsibility for Church life today:

**8am**        **Holy Communion**

**Server:** John Tatam

**Sidespersons:** Sheena & Henry Wilkins

**Reader:** Sheena Wilkins

**10.30am** **Festival Eucharist, Junior Church & Coffee**

**Sidespersons:** Griselda Kerr, Gordon Hughes

**Crucifer:** Paul Fletcher-Read

**Server:** Ros Bell

**Reader:** Rachel Reid

**Intercessor:** Alison Gregory

**Junior Church:** Katy Latchford, Ruth Parkinson

**Coffee:** Mary Bolton, Pam & Maurice Starkey

**6.30pm**    **Evensong**

**Sidesperson:** Victoria Hancock

**Coffee rota**                **Kate Landenberger** 01283 200762

**Readers' rota**            **Janet Warner**                01283701542 ([janet@warner8.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:janet@warner8.freeserve.co.uk))

**Mothers' Union:** The next MU lunch is on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 12.15pm at the John Thompson Inn in Ingleby. Friends are welcome to join us. If anyone needs a lift, please contact Erica Stewart on 865444.

## 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. There has been a donation for 3 nights from Paddy and Joe Laban in memory of their son, Andrew; and also a donation in memory of George Galt from his wife, Kathy Galt.

### Daily Prayer in church

Tuesday & Wednesday      **Morning Prayer** 9.15 am

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

Please note that for the time being, during the vacancy, Evening Prayer will take place on Tuesday evenings only. As is customary this will commence at 5pm in the Lady Chapel.

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**

### Collation of Revd Steve Short:

Revd Steve Short will be collated as Rector of this Benefice on **Tuesday 31st January 2017 at 7.30pm in Melbourne Parish Church** by the Bishop of Repton and inducted by the Archdeacon of Derby.

There will be more information to follow, meanwhile do make a note of the date. We hope as many people as possible will attend from across the Benefice.

*Linda and Joanna*

### The Children's Society - Box Collection:

I have now received a letter requesting the boxes be returned for counting. Please bring them to Church (or drop them off to me at the Honner Room on Monday afternoons between 2pm and 3.30pm) as soon as possible. Many thanks for your continued support of a most worthy cause. *Christine Franks*

## TOYBOX

### CHANGING THE WORLD FOR STREET CHILDREN IN LATIN AMERICA. CHRISTMAS BIRTH CERTIFICATE APPEAL.

At Christmas would you do something extraordinary - would you contribute towards registering a Street Child and give them a Birth Certificate.

In Guatemala there are 700,000 Street Children who don't have a Birth Certificate. As a result they have no official identity - they are simply known as XXX children. They have no name and don't officially exist.

Toybox is a small British Charity established in 1992 devoted solely to helping these children.

During Advent we often hear the Gospel story of the Birth Pangs as the wars and turmoil of the past die away and the Kingdom of God comes onto the horizon – For these Street Children the birth pangs of their mothers lead to their birth and then abandonment to a life on the streets with no hope. Without a Birth Certificate these children cannot see a doctor, sit an exam, get a job, earn an income, or get married. They are prey to human trafficking, and they finish up in a mass grave marked simply XXX.

Toybox are asking us to help get a child a Birth Certificate this Christmas as the best Christmas present they could have because it opens so many doors for them. So far they have been able to get Birth Certificates for over 1,500 children in the last 2 years.

It costs £32 each to do the research to establish who each of these children are and get that child registered with a Guatemalan Birth Certificate. In the past myself and the folks I know have provided 7 birth certificates so far. This Christmas I'm going to sponsor one Certificate again. If you would like to contribute in a small way to provide more then please put your donation, however, small, in an envelope marked "Birth Certificate" and put it through the door at 63 Jubilee Close Melbourne and I'll send them on. (cheques made payable to "Toybox" please.) Thank you.

*Revd. Margaret Jacques*

**The Battle of the Somme Commemoration:** Every November, on the anniversary of the 1918 Armistice, the country remembers all those people who died in past conflicts. This November the country will also commemorate the centenary of the end of one battle from one of these past conflicts, the Battle of the Somme.

In any consideration of the Great War, the Somme, (perhaps along with the battle of Passchendaele), is usually the first thing that comes to mind, mainly because of the casualties and the mud. For many people this battle represents the primary image of this period of our history. However, beyond the stark facts that on the first day the British suffered catastrophic losses with nearly 20,000 dead and another 40,000 wounded, and that during the twenty weeks duration of the battle 1,300,000 men of Britain, France and Germany were either killed or wounded, it has to be remembered that these battles were fought largely by civilian soldiers. These men had previously done ordinary jobs and led ordinary lives. The backbone of the army at this time were not conscripts but the volunteers of Kitchener's `New Army` and this was the first time that they had been tested in a major action. These were men such as Joseph Wallis, a skilled worker in the shoe trade, who, in August 1915 went to Melbourne Market Place to hear Sir H.H. Raphael making a special appeal for recruits to his newly formed Arts and Crafts battalion. Joseph, along with several other Melbourne craftsmen, was impressed enough to volunteer. He joined in early September and was killed almost exactly a year later, or rather he was wounded and disappeared into the Somme mud, on what was, for the

history books, a militarily significant day - the occasion of the first ever appearance of tanks on a battlefield. It was certainly a significant day for his family back in Ashby Road.

At a distance in time of 100 years, it is difficult to have a real appreciation of their ordeal without having walked in their footsteps across muddy fields and trenches, having stood in a multitude of cemeteries, or having seen the debris and the scars which still mark the now largely restored rolling green landscape.

The small exhibition which is in the Church over the Remembrance period includes details of the twelve men of Melbourne and Ticknall who died in the many battles that made up the Somme Offensive. It attempts to show that the names carved in stone or written on scrolls, represent real lives of young men from various walks of life and levels of society. May we always honour their sacrifice. Let us also remember the other men of the villages who were also involved in these battles. Many of these men carried the physical and mental scars for the rest of their lives.

*Adrian Earp*

[We are very grateful to Adrian for his work in preparing the exhibition. He is a member of Melbourne Historical Research Group and presented a most interesting talk to The Friends two years ago. His book "In Memoriam", which is the result of his years of research is available, price £15, from MHRG or Adrian direct on 01335 [343203/adrian.earp@btinternet.com](mailto:343203/adrian.earp@btinternet.com) ]

### **Caring Hands:**

Up to 30 ladies meet in the Honner Room every Monday; they come from different churches and communities in Melbourne, Ticknall and Stanton. Of course, there is tea and a little quiet (!) conversation, but what else do they do?

They knit!

So far, 1905 squares have been sent to Africa to be made up into blankets.

For Syria: 69 blankets, 911 jumpers and cardigans, 362 hats, plus gloves, scarves and little teddy bears.

For Special Care Baby Unit: 574 blankets, 388 cardigans, 1780 hats and 189 bereavement gowns.

In an extra Christmas challenge for SCBU : 95 teddies, 75 Santa hats and 89 Christmas stockings.

For Pool Cottage this year: 97 Christmas pudding tree decorations.

Since the group started, a total of 8939 items have been made. Faith in action takes many forms and although Monday afternoons are fun - these achievements are no laughing matter!

P.S. Donations of yarn - 4 ply, double knitting and chunky are always welcome.

*Caring Hands*

**MESSY CHURCH:** The next MESSY CHURCH session will take place on **Saturday December 3rd from 4pm to 5.30pm.** We will be exploring the theme 'Experience Christmas' with various activities around the church before sharing a meal together in Church House.

Please let me know if you can spare some time to help; there are plenty of jobs to do including registering people as they arrive, assisting with a (simple!)group activity & helping to set out food. Very importantly please encourage families to come along!  
*Linda Latchford*

### **Future Choir trips.....**

Thanks to all those of you who supported our trips in 2016. The choir values greatly the company and support of the congregation and other friends on these occasions. Future dates are listed below:

#### **Dates for 2017**

- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April: Coach trip to Ely Cathedral
  - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April: Coach trip to Southwark Cathedral, London
  - Bank Holiday Mon, 29<sup>th</sup> May: Coach trip to Hereford Cathedral
    - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Coach trip to Ripon Cathedral
    - 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> July: Weekend at Liverpool Anglican Cathedral  
(we also plan to run this as a coach day trip on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July)
- (Enquiries: 01543 258777, [simon.e.collins@btinternet.com](mailto:simon.e.collins@btinternet.com) or after services).

*Simon Collins, Director of Music*

#### **The Fashion Show:**

The Fashion Show scheduled for Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November has been postponed. An event is planned for Spring 2017. Thank you for your continued support,  
*Karen Grewcock*

#### **Whistlewood Common News:**

Do you worry about the environmental impact of Christmas? Want to create something beautiful that doesn't cost the earth? This workshop between 2pm and 5pm on Sunday 27th November will allow you to create a beautiful wreath or other decoration for your home at Christmas. Childrens' activities (under 16s accompanied by an adult please) and yummy home-made refreshments.

Please note that this event is being held at the Thomas Cook Hall in Melbourne.

**The Whistlewood AGM will be held on 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in the Senior Citizens' Centre. All welcome!**

**Probus Club trip to York:** The Probus Club of Melbourne has now finalised plans for the Christmas Fair trip to York. The coach will leave Castle Square at 9am on Thursday 8th December and should return by 6.30pm. Seats are available at a price of £15 each from Terry Harrison, phone 862013 or from John Williams phone 863854.

## **This week in connection with Melbourne Church**

<b>Monday:</b>	2pm	Caring Hands in The Honner Room
		Curate at Clergy Conference in Swanwick Mon - Wednesday
<b>Tuesday:</b>	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
<b>Wednesday:</b>	6pm	Wedding rehearsal
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	11.30am	Home Communion
<b>Saturday:</b>	9am	Bulletin production team in Church House
	1pm	Wedding at Melbourne
	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: Edna Brame, Anne Brazier, John Glaze, Roo Hubbard, 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 including Winifred Laban, Andrew Laban and Jeanne Mary Lidgate.

### **Next Week at Melbourne: Advent Sunday**

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidespersons: Avril & Terry Harrison)

10.30am **Parish Communion, Junior Church & Coffee**

(Sidespersons: Annabel Needham, Sheena Wilkins)

(Coffee: Sarah Kington, Margaret Brackenbury,

Kate Landenberger)

6.30pm **Advent Carol Service** (Sidesperson: Ann Hammond)

# The Readings at 8am and 10.30am

## **The First Reading:** *Colossians 1.11-20*

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

## **The Gospel Reading:** *Luke 23.33-43*

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'



## Offertory Hymn at 10.30am:

1. Hail Redeemer, King divine!  
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,  
King, whose reign shall never cease,  
Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels, saints and nations sing  
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;  
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,  
King of love on Calvary."*

2. King whose name creation thrills,  
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,  
Till in peace each nation rings  
With thy praises, King of Kings.

*Angels, saints etc.*

3. King most holy, King of truth,  
Guide the lowly, guide the youth;  
Christ thou King of glory bright  
Be to us eternal light.

*Angels, saints etc.*

4. Shepherd-King, o'er mountains steep,  
Homeward bring the wandering sheep;  
Shelter in one royal fold  
States and kingdoms, new and old.

*Angels, saints etc.*

5. Eucharistic King, what love  
Draws thee daily from above.  
Clad in signs of bread and wine;  
Feed us, lead us, keep us thine.

*Angels, saints etc.*

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