

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 Baptism of Christ – 15th January 2017

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: can be found on page 8

Introit: Tomorrow shall be my dancing day *English traditional*
arr. Iliff

Settings: *Rutter / Eleanor Daley* Missa Brevis No. 4

Hymns: 137, 58, 55 v.3 Women/Children, v.4 Men [425, 347] 57

Anthem: The Three Kings *Cornelius arr. Atkins*

Organ Voluntary: Hornpipe from 'Water Music' *Handel*

Please join us for refreshments after the Service

6.30pm **Choral Evensong**

Music for this service can be found on page 3

Welcome!

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

Across the Benefice Today

Melbourne: 8am - Revd Angela Plummer
10.30am - Bishop Jan/
Revd Angela Plummer
6.30pm - Revd Angela Plummer
Smisby: 4.30pm - Canon David Edwards
Stanton: 11am - Revd Norma Bracewell
Ticknall: 10.30am - Mrs Mary Hirst



Taking responsibility for Church life today:

8am Holy Communion

Server: Karen Grewcock

Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins

Reader: Ann Nicholls

10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church and Coffee

Sidespersons: Annabel Needham, Jenny Jackson

Crucifer: John Tivey

Server: Joy Hill

Reader: Avril Harrison

Intercessor: Margaret Brackenbury

Junior Church: Lisa Gilchrist, Rachel Hill

Coffee: Margaret Brackenbury, Terry & Avril Harrison

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Sidesperson: Ann Hammond

Coffee rota Kate Landenberger 01283 200762

Readers' rota Janet Warner 01283701542 (janet@warner8.freeserve.co.uk)

Bishop Jan, Bishop of Repton:

A very warm welcome to Bishop Jan who is coming to take part in the 10.30am service this morning. She will be preaching on the theme of Generous Giving. This is timely because the budget for 2017 approved by the PCC in December predicts a deficit of approximately £11,000. This is due to a combination of a rise in the amount of Common Fund (previously called Parish Share) we are being asked to contribute and a reduction in our regular giving. We therefore have a challenge to face this year in order to maintain our activities and to fund any new initiatives. Please stay to meet Bishop Jan and to share a glass of wine afterwards.

Linda and Joanna on behalf of the PCC

A big thank you: Many thanks to the Bulletin preparation team who week-in week-out over many years have faithfully come to fold and collate our bulletin for us. I am extremely grateful for all their willing help. The computer printer now does the job for us but without their past help it would have been an onerous task for the Secretary so many, many thanks to members of the team past and present. Thank you. *Kate Landenberger*

Photocopier issues: Hopefully people will have noticed that the Bulletin has looked a bit short and uncommunicative for the past couple of weeks! This is due to technical problems, which I hope are now resolved. Please bear with us as we try to get things right. I hope normal service is now resumed! Thanks for your patience. *Kate*

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: Churches Together in Melbourne are holding a service on the 22nd January at 6pm at the Methodist Church to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. All are welcome to attend this service.

Music for tonight's Choral Evensong:

Introit: A New Year Carol *Robert Ruutel*

Responses: *Radcliffe*

Hymns: 48, 58, 52

Psalm: 46

Canticles: *Brewer* in D

Anthem: Tomorrow shall be my dancing day *John Gardner*

Organ Voluntary: Gigue on 'Stuttgart' *David Schelat*

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 from Janet Parsons and family in memory of her mother, Audrey Moore on 5th January.

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**

Another thank you: to the very kind person who has diligently sewn and repaired the kneeler loops so that we may use them again. Our church would be so much poorer without these small acts of kindness. Many thanks

Padley "Good as New" Clothes Sale

Friday 17th March 2017 - 5pm to 8.30pm - Admission £10
Saturday 18th March 2017 - 10am to 2pm - Admission Free
in the Atrium at Derby University

Clothes are being collected now!

Please look through your wardrobes for spare, good quality clothes and accessories. Clothes are being sorted and labelled now and can be stored. Please deliver to 68 Rutland Street or contact Kerry Collier for collection and tickets on 01332 774480

Advance Notice!

A Date for Your Diaries

Back by popular demand - once again the choir will present

THE TRAVELLING PEOPLE

An evening of laughter, supper & song

On Saturday 25th February 2017
at Ticknall Village Hall

£16 each includes a hot meal. Bring your own drinks.

Tickets from Romey Cunnington 863379.

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 8th April: Coach trip to Ely Cathedral
- Saturday 29th April: Coach trip to Southwark Cathedral, London
- Bank Holiday Mon, 29th May: Coach trip to Hereford Cathedral
 - Saturday 10th June: Coach trip to Ripon Cathedral
- 29th and 30th July: Weekend at Liverpool Anglican Cathedral
(we also plan to run this as a coach day trip on Saturday 29th July)

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

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Collation and Induction Service for the Revd Steve Short:

The service will be conducted by Bishop Jan at **7.30pm on Tuesday 31st January**, and will be followed by refreshments in church. All are very welcome at this service.

There is a list on the noticeboard at the back of church for contributions of **finger food** to be brought in the afternoon between 2pm and 4pm. It would help us greatly if you could let us know what you could bring so please fill in the list. **Finger food or bottles/juices only**. Many thanks. *Social Committee*

Winter opening of the Dower House Garden:

The Dower House Garden is opening again, for the brave and stout hearted, in aid of the National Gardens Scheme charities, on 18th/19th February. There will be some snowdrops and hellebores and hopefully the daphne will be out as well as witch hazel, winter aconites and crocuses. But who knows, it may be covered in snow. Admission is £3.00 but £2.50 for anyone bringing the bulletin along. There will be coffee and tea in the greenhouse and a fire in the cottage to warm the hands and toes. Supporters will be extremely welcome but the garden is also open in June when you will be encouraged to come again so this is not your only opportunity in 2017. *Griselda Kerr*

And the winner is...

My thanks to all who bought a Vaguely Musical quiz sheet, and even more thanks to the much smaller number who actually returned them. I assume that the rest of you were all far too busy having fun over the festive period to bother with it, which must be good. The winner, with a very creditable 81 marks out of a possible 88 (so it can't have been THAT difficult..) is Ann Nicholls, who wins the book token. Hot on her heels with 79 came Ros Bell, but regrettably funds don't run to a second prize! If you want to understand what the heck I was on about I'll have some answers sheets with me on Sunday, or if you are desperate I can e-mail you one.

Clive Avery

Village Quiz:

The Village Quiz is starting up again on **Friday 20th January at 7.30pm**. The venue will be the newly refurbished British Legion and this time the quiz profits will be going towards the support of Community Care. Don't forget to come and support your favourite teams and enjoy a good night out during these cold winter months.

FiND Leader February 2017 (on the Diocese of Derby website)Time for Action

The Paris agreement on Climate Change agreed at the end of 2015 came into effect on 14 November 2016. Under the agreement, all governments that have ratified the accord, which includes the US, China, India and the EU, now carry an obligation to hold global warming to no more than 2 degrees C

above pre-industrial levels. That is what scientists regard as the limit of safety, beyond which climate change is likely to become catastrophic and irreversible.

Countries have put forward commitments on curbing carbon emissions under the agreement, but a recent report found those pledges would see temperature rises significantly overshoot the threshold, with 3C of warming. Environmental groups have urged governments to do more. In the UK Brexit has dominated agendas and what little the government has said about future policy is far from encouraging. It is time for local groups to take action and surely faith communities are in a good place to take a lead. In the Anglican Church it is our Fifth Mark of Mission “to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth”.

Twelve months ago A Rocha UK re-launched its Eco-Church Award Scheme as an online resource and encouragement to local congregations to take action. <http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk>. Many parishes up and down the country including a number in this diocese are now using this scheme. In the autumn A Rocha also launched Eco-Diocese which they describe as an initiative to encourage diocesan-level engagement with Eco Church, and promote parish participation in the scheme. The Derby Diocesan environmental group encourages the adoption of both initiatives – so please take action now. Look at the website and make a beginning.

On Sunday 5th February, to mark the first anniversary of the re-launched Eco-church, there is a vision for as many local churches as possible to observe ‘Green Sunday’. It is the first Sunday after Christmas and Epiphany when green hangings and vestments are used in the liturgy, so why not use these as a visual aid of the world around us that we need to preserve. Special liturgical resources have been prepared by Canon Matthew Rushton the Precentor of Canterbury Cathedral. They include materials that can be used at services of Holy Communion or Morning and Evening Prayer. There is also an Act of Commitment which could be used as a spur to action.

<http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/introducing-greencommunion/>. If you are looking for other actions to take Christian Aid are offering training evenings for their Big Shift campaign calling on banks to take their investments away from companies that produce fossil fuels:

<http://www.christianaid.org.uk/campaigns/climate-change/the-big-shiftresources>. Operation Noah have a similar campaign called Bright Now but are also encouraging Christians to be much more engaged in the political debate; it is well worth looking at their website www.operationnoah.org.

The Diocesan environmental group believe that a just response to the climate crisis is foundational to our Christian faith. We encourage you to begin to act now.

Terry Thake Chair, Derby Diocese Environmental Group

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	11am	Funeral of Sophie Rachel Miller in church
	2pm	Caring Hands in The Honner Room
Tuesday:	11am	Home Communion
	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	11.30am	Home Communion
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00	Funeral of Rona Ikin at St. Helen's Church Ashby followed by burial at Smisby Church
	7.30pm	Melbourne PCC in St. Michael's House
Saturday:	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 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, among them Sophie Rachel Miller and Rona Ikin, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Rex Hallifield, William Sims, Dorothy Clifford and Sid Ashman.

Next Week at Melbourne: The Third Sunday of Epiphany

8am **Holy Communion**

(Sidespersons: Terry & Avril Harrison)

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

(Sidespersons: David Smith, Matthew Needham)

(Coffee: Jane Cox, Steph Hughes, Carolyn Tasker)

6pm **Churches Together Service at Melbourne Methodist Church to celebrate The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

No Evensong at Melbourne

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Acts 10.34-43*

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 3.13-end*

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'