

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



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The Sunday Before Lent - 26th February 2017

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: can be found on pages 7/8

Setting: *Cæsar* St Mary's Mass

Gradual Psalm: 99 (page 8)

Hymns: 234, 177 [308, 389] 377

Intercessions: O Lord hear my prayer *Taizé* (page 3)

Anthem: *Christe, Jesu, pastor bone Taverner*

Organ Voluntary: *Marche aux flambeaux Scotson Clark*

Please join us for refreshments after the Service

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: 475, 176, 339, 178

Psalm: 84

Organ Voluntary: *Cornet Voluntary in Eb George Green*

Welcome!

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

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Melbourne: *8am* – Revd Sandra Chantry
 10.30am – Revd Steve Short
 6.30pm – Canon David Edwards

Smisby: *5.30pm* – Dr Nick Gravestock

Stanton: *11.00am* – Revd Angela Plummer

Ticknall: *9.15am* – Revd Angela Plummer

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:****8am Holy Communion****Server:** David Dore**Sidespersons:** Sue Dore, Ann Rafferty**Reader:** John Hayden**10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church and Coffee****Sidespersons:** Janet & Cliff Warner**Crucifer:** Sarah Kington**Server:** Joy Hill**Reader:** Carolyn Tasker**Intercessor:** Alison Gregory**Junior Church:** Katy Latchford, Martha Clements**Coffee:** Katy Latchford, Sheena Wilkins, Margaret Murray-Leslie**6.30pm Evensong****Sidesperson:** Victoria Hancock**Coffee rota** **Kate Landenberger** 01283 200762**Readers' rota** **Janet Warner** 01283701542(janet@warner8.freeserve.co.uk)

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.

Intercessions at 10.30am:

○ Lord hear my prayer, ○ Lord hear my prayer, when I call answer me,
○ Lord hear my prayer, ○ Lord hear my prayer, come and listen to me.

Taizé

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: FRIDAY 3rd MARCH at 2pm

This year over 5000 services will be held around Britain on the Theme 'Am I being unfair to you?' Around the world we will be joined by Christians using different languages and dialects in this shared act of worship. The focus will be on the Philippines and it is our turn to host this ecumenical service here in Melbourne. Everyone is welcome to come along to this service, which will be followed by refreshments, so please pop the date in your diary and share in this ecumenical celebration.

Ros Bell

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, 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

Revd Angela Plummer:

Angela's final service with us as our Assistant Curate is to be a Benefice Eucharist here in Melbourne on Sunday 2nd April at 10.30 am. There will be no other services in the benefice during the day as we look to gather around Angela and give her the best possible send off.

Her licensing as Priest-in-Charge of The Ascension, Kenton in the Diocese of Newcastle, will take place on Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at 7.30 pm.

Do please continue to pray for Angela and John as they prepare to leave us and make their new home in Newcastle.

More details to follow, *Steve*

Turning towards Lent:

Ash Wednesday falls on 1st March this year, i.e. next Wednesday.

There will be 2 opportunities for marking the beginning of Lent:

At 9.15am at Melbourne and at 7.30pm at St George's, Ticknall.

Both services are Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes.

[Please return any palm crosses to church so that they may be burnt for ashes]

A Lent Course:

'Receiving Christ in five different ways'.

Session 1: Receiving Christ: as children of God

Session 2: Receiving Christ: in the stranger and the needy

Session 3: Receiving Christ: in Holy Communion

Session 4: Receiving Christ: through prayer and fellowship

Session 5: 'Christ in you, the hope of glory' (Colossians 1.27)

Each session consists of a CD track featuring contributions by leading Christian Thinkers such as Bishop Nick Baines, the Bishop of Leeds. There is also a course booklet for each participant which helps with our discussions of the course material. The York Courses are very accessible and give great teaching. Everyone is very warmly invited.

The sessions will run from 10.30am until midday on the Wednesdays of Lent (8, 15, 22, 29 March and 5 April) in St Michael's House, then running into the Lent Lunches for those who wish to stay.

To register interest please do contact the Rector on 864741 or email: rector@melbourneparishchurch.co.uk

Also in Lent, there will be a sung Compline at **9.15pm on Wednesday 22nd March** given by the choir with a Lent address beforehand beginning at 8.45 pm.

Steve Short

Lent Lunches:

Will be starting on March 8th. Please make a date in your diaries. More details to follow.....

Lundy 2017

If you were lurking at the top of Dunncliffe Lane at 5a.m. on February 13th, you probably saw a Michelin woman waddling out to the taxi to meet three other cosily clad ladies. "Wear your boots and all your thick clothes," they said. "It makes your luggage lighter for the helicopter." Five steaming hours later, we reached the cliff-top at Hartland Point and five hours later still, we landed on lovely Lundy. (It only takes 7 minutes in the air but there were a lot of people travelling.) Three octogenarians were billeted in Government House with the awesome responsibility of making sure there was a good fire burning for evening prayers every day at 5 p.m. Once a Guide, always a Guide, so it was no real problem although the method was daily under review.

Tuesday was dull and drizzly but Michelina joined a party going down to the harbour. She observed 'extreme knitting' in the Smugglers' Cave and on the slipway and then crawled back up to the village with frequent stops to admire the view. Wonderful weather on Wednesday meant a daughter-defying trek to the North Light. Two pieces of advice should you do the same next year: 1) Pay close attention to those almost invisible brown lines on the map; they indicate HILLS - nearly all UP. 2) If Erica is your escort, pay no attention when she says, "This is the last uphill bit." Fantastic views at the far end and lunch at the Marisco made this a very good morning and the legs were still fit for a stroll to the Castle afterwards.

As it was a bell-ringers' trip, Michelina climbed the tower of Str. Helena's on Thursday to observe extreme campanology. Baffling! What language do they speak? And why do they speak it so loudly? Short walk to the Old Light in the afternoon was lovely although extreme mud was encountered in the farmyard on the way back.

Convivial meals (have you tried mulled cider?), the beautiful Iona Communion service, the dreaded Quiz, no T.V. (so no Trumpetting), a little reading, patchwork and conversation filled the rest of the time and all too soon it was time to board the helicopter again, close the eyes and see if it is possible to hold one's breath for seven minutes.

Studying the map once back at home, it seems that there are many more paths to explore so it will be necessary to go again next year.

Thank you, Ruth - I've caught the Lundy bug!

Alison Gregory

Melbourne Mothers' Union: The Problem of Slavery in Present Times

Over recent years Alistair, Bishop of Derby, has been instrumental in taking steps to tackle this problem both nationally in the House of Lords and locally. A pilot scheme has been set up in Derbyshire involving various agencies including social services and the police force. The Mothers' Union in the Diocese was asked two years ago to add its support by supplying emergency provisions for men, women and young people who, when released from slavery owned very few or no possessions. On Tuesday March 7th Detective Inspector Harry Dick of Derbyshire Constabulary Specialist Crime and Intelligence is coming to address and update members of Melbourne MU Branch on the anti-slavery work being carried out, especially by the police. The illustrated talk will be held in the Honner Room at 2pm and is open to all who are interested in how this growing problem is being addressed, Please do come and join us to discover more.

Ruth Smith

Mothers' Union Lunch:

The next MU lunch is on Tuesday February 28th at 12.15pm at Swarkestone Garden Centre. Friends are welcome to join us. If anyone needs a lift, please phone Erica Stewart on 865444.

Winter opening of the Dower House Garden:

What a joy it was to spend half an hour in Griselda and William's beautiful garden after church last Sunday. The snowdrops are more prolific than last year, and the yellow snowdrops were delightful. For the time of year, there was a good bit of colour - with miniature irises, crocuses, cyclamen and winter aconites, even the bees were out sampling the early nectar. And such a beautiful view from the balustraded upper tier. It all brought a smile to the face. Can't wait for the summer opening! Well done and thank you to Griselda and William for all your hard work. *Kate*

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Something for your diary and something a little different? After two successful tours to Bruges and Reims, I am putting together another friendship and hopefully a lot of fun, tour to Arras in Northern France. Leaving Melbourne by coach early Thursday morning followed by a Channel Tunnel crossing and to arrive in Arras at teatime. Friday, a morning visit to a local wine producer, "Chateau des Arras" for a wine tour with tasting followed by lunch (included). Afternoon, an opportunity to visit some of the many historical points of interest available in Arras, namely the Cathedral, The Bell Tower, The labyrinth of underground 'Boves', The Citadel and of course the many examples of Flemish/Spanish architecture unique to Arras. Saturday morning, a chance for last minute shopping, perhaps the market? before departing for home early afternoon.... If you think you might be interested in this tour, please let me know **before the end of February**. Itineraries are available upon request and I will be very pleased to discuss any questions. *Wendy Robinson*. Tel. 01530 810217 or 07790 474889. Email wamsport@yahoo.co.uk

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm	Caring Hands in The Honner Room
Tuesday:	9.25am	School Assembly Melbourne Junior School
	10am-3.30pm	Clergy Lenten Quiet Day in Chesterfield
	12noon	Ministers' Fraternal Meeting
	7.30pm	Churches Together at URC
	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	9.15am	Holy Communion (Melbourne)
	10.45am	Social Committee in the Honner Room
	11.30am	Home Communion
	7.30pm	Benefice Communion for Ash Wednesday at St George's, Ticknall with combined choirs
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
Friday:	11.30am	Funeral of Dorothy Forman at Ticknall Church
	2pm	Women's World Day of Prayer
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: Ruth Barkaway, Edna Brame, Anne Brazier, John Hubbard, 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 Dorothy Forman, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Bert Boocock, Beryl Barton and Constance Janet James-Davies.

Next Week at Melbourne: The First Sunday of Lent

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidespersons: Joy Hill, Tony Taylor)

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

(Sidespersons: Carolyn Tasker, David Smith)

(Coffee: Sarah Kington, Annabel Needham, Steph Hughes)

6.30pm **Evensong** (Sidesperson: John Springthorpe)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *2 Peter 1.16-end*

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 17.1-9*

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then

Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm: 99*

Please turn to face the Gospel Reader in the aisle during the singing of the Psalm

- 1 The Lord is King * let the | peoples | tremble;
he is enthroned above the | cherubim | let the earth | shake.
- 2 The Lord is | great in | Zion:
and | high a- | bove all | peoples.
- 3 Let them praise your name which is | great and | awesome;
the | Lord our | God is | holy.
- 4 Mighty King who loves justice * you have es- | tablished | equity;
you have executed | justice and | righteousness in | Jacob.
- 5 Exalt the | Lord our | God;
bow down before his | footstool for | he is | holy.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests *
and Samuel among those who | call up-on his | name;
they | called up-on the | Lord • and he | answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the | pillar of | cloud;
they kept his | testimonies • and the | law • that he | gave them.
- 8 You answered them O | Lord our | God;
you were a God who forgave them and | pardoned | them for •
their of- | fences.
- 9 Exalt the Lord our God * and worship him upon his | holy | hill;
for the | Lord our | God is | holy.