

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



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The Third Sunday of Lent - 19th March 2017

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: can be found on pages 6-8

Settings: *Willan Kyrie/Harris*

Gradual Psalm: 95 *plainchant* (page 8)

Hymns: 424, 65 [73, 414] 431

Anthem: Call to remembrance *Richard Farrant*

Organ Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in E minor

Arnold M. Brunckhorst

Please join us for refreshments after the Service

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: 70, 374, 365, 449

Psalm: 40 vv.1-13

Organ Voluntary: Liebster Jesu (BWV634) *J.S.Bach*

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 Margaret Jacques
 6.30pm – Revd Angela Plummer

Smisby: *5.30pm* – Revd Steve Short

Stanton: *11.00am* – Revd Angela Plummer

Ticknall: *9.15am* – Revd Steve Short

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:****8am Holy Communion****Server:** Tom Mills**Sidespersons:** Sheena & Henry Wilkins**Reader:** Rosemary Jackson**10.30am Parish Communion, Junior Church and Coffee****Sidespersons:** Katy Latchford, Ken Gibson**Crucifer:** Paul Fletcher-Read**Server:** Kate Landenberger**Reader:** Simon Collins**Intercessor:** Ros Bell**Junior Church:** Lisa Gilchrist, Mary Bolton**Coffee:** Mary Bolton, Steph & Gordon Hughes**6.30pm Evensong****Sidespersons:** Ann Hammond**Coffee rota** **Kate Landenberger** 01283 200762**Readers' rota** **Janet Warner** 01283701542(janet@warner8.freemove.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. This week there has been a donation from Edna Brame in memory of Harry for 22nd March.

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 10.30am. 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.

Following the service there will be a party for Angela to cheer her on her way. Offers of finger food or bottles will be gratefully received. A list will be up on the noticeboard at the back of church.

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 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

Easter Lilies: Lilies are an ancient symbol of resurrection; we decorate the church with them at Easter. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one, the price will be £3 per lily as last year. Please could you give the money and the name/names of those you wish to be remembered to Sheena Wilkins (865053) or Margaret Murray-Leslie (862921) or the Wardens. Thank you, *Sheena and Margaret*

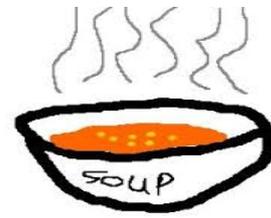
Electoral Roll:

The Annual update of the Church Electoral Roll will take place during early April: during late March everyone is encouraged to have a look at the Roll posted on the notice board and tell me if additional names need to be included and whether the details held are accurate. If appropriate, please fill in an Electoral Roll form and give to me or a Church warden, before Sunday, 9th April.

Cliff Warner, Electoral Roll Officer

Lent Lunches:

Lent Lunches continue next **Wednesday (March 22nd)** at 12.15pm until 1.30pm and then continue through every Wednesday up to 5th April. Price £3 for pensioners and £3.50 for others. Please come along



and help us to raise funds for **CALCUTTA CATHEDRAL RELIEF SERVICE**. Offers of soup or other help to Sheena Wilkins please.

The Choral Road 2017.....

takes Melbourne Parish Church Choir to the following places:

- Saturday 8th April: Coach trip to Ely Cathedral
- Saturday 29th April: Coach trip to Southwark Cathedral
- 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 are running this as a coach day trip on Saturday 29th July)

In addition, the Choir will be singing 11.00 Eucharist and 3.30 Evensong at Lichfield Cathedral on Sunday 22nd October.

These trips are increasingly popular and 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!

Sign-up notices are now up for the trips to Ely and to Southwark.

We value greatly the support of the congregation and other friends on our trips and are looking forward to singing at these Cathedrals, both of which are return visits after invitations received last time.

The Ely Coach is £17 per seat and leaves at 8.45a.m.

The Southwark Coach is £20 per seat and leaves at 7.45a.m.

Special price: £33 for both trips, if paid by 2nd April.

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

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Melbourne Area Transition initiatives:

Melbourne Area Transition (MAT) www.melbournetransition.org aims to help this community reduce dependence on global supply chains and build

more resilience to the big enviro-economic crises that will increasingly affect us here. Initiatives have ranged from the solar PV system on the roof of this church to a demonstration food forest at the local school, a walled orchard on the Calke estate, and, the biggest project, the purchase of 10 acres of land known and run as Whistlewood Common

www.whistlewoodcommon.org .

All MAT's events and activities seek to educate, inspire and encourage others to undertake their own resilience-building initiatives. These have included "dinners in the dark", displays at every Melbourne Carnival and Festival since 2010, a solar PV-buying scheme as well as support for food and other waste-recycling projects such as the "Olio app".

For a while, MAT collected ink-jet cartridges and mobile phones for recycling, with a collection point in church. This project has now come to an end, for a variety of reasons, not least having someone prepared to take it on ! However, if people recycle directly with companies like Takeback (www.takeback.ltd.uk), checking for themselves which cartridges are accepted and which are not, it saves MAT the big task of sorting through many different types of used cartridges. It doesn't take a lot of effort to adopt a reuse, recycle mentality at point of use though - and that saves time, money and resources!

Meantime, keep a look out for exciting news from Whistlewood about the new community hub building and outdoor performance venue...

MOSAIC - VOICES IN SPRING

Music for eight voices from all ages to suit all tastes

Friday March 24th at 7.30pm at St George's, Ticknall

Tickets £7 from Mary Hirst or pay at the door

And finally Don't forget that British Summertime begins on Sunday 26th March. Clocks need to be going forward!!

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	9.30am	Morning Prayer at Ticknall
	2pm	Caring Hands in The Honner Room
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	10.30am	Lent Course in St Michael's House
	12.15pm	Lent Lunch
	2pm	Home Communion
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
	8.45pm	Lent Address followed by Compline at 9.15pm
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	11.30am	Home Communion
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, Wendie Moore, Ted Osbond and Margaret Stockley. 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 Harry Brame, Hedley Needham, William Hancock, David Taylor and Mary Messer.

Next Week at Melbourne: Mothering Sunday All Age Eucharist (Lent 4)

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidespersons: Noreen & Tony Taylor)

10.30am **Mothering Sunday All Age Eucharist & Coffee**
(Sidespersons: Victoria Hancock, Gordon Hughes)
(Coffee: Sarah Kington, Margaret Brackenbury,
Kate Landenberger)

6.30pm **Evensong** (Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Romans 5.1-11*

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Gospel Reading: *John 4.5-42*

So Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She

said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm 95 (plainchant, sung by the Choir)*

O come, let us sing unto the Lord *
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth *
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it *
and his hands prepared the dry land.
O come, let us worship and fall down *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God *
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts *
as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
When your fathers tempted me *
proved me, and saw my works.
Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said *
It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways;
Unto whom I swear in my wrath *
that they should not enter into my rest.