

The United Benefice of the parishes of Melbourne,
Smisby, Stanton by Bridge and Ticknall



The Bulletin

A weekly publication for the Parish of Melbourne



The Third Sunday of Epiphany - 21st January 2018

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: pages 6/7

Setting: *Cæsar* St Mary's Mass

Gradual Psalm: 128 (page 7)

Hymns: 364, Jesus, come! for we invite you (page 8) [302, 277] 485

Anthem: Surge Illuminare *Huw Williams*

Organ Voluntary: Grand Choeur *Charles-Alexis Chauvet*

6pm **Churches Together in Melbourne Service for the Week
of Prayer for Christian Unity at the URC**

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 Steve Short
 10.30am – Revd Steve Short
 6pm – At URC

Smisby: 4.30pm – Canon David Edwards

Stanton: 11am – Dr Nick Gravestock

Ticknall: 10.30am – Canon David Edwards

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:****8am Holy Communion**

Sidespersons: Ann Rafferty, John Tatam

Server: David Dore

Reader: Linda Latchford

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Sidespersons: Griselda Kerr, Annabel Needham

Crucifer: Brian Dollamore

Server: Ros Bell

Reader: Simon Collins

Intercessor: Brian Dollamore

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Alison Gregory

Coffee: Margaret Brackenbury, Maurice & Pam Starkey

6pm Churches Together in Melbourne Service at the URC for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (No Service here tonight)

Lectionary:

The Lectionary has been taken away temporarily to be rebound. The readers who normally use it should please either read from the Bulletin or the sheet, which Karen Grewcock or Janet Warner have given you. Many thanks.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

Tonight is the Churches Together in Melbourne service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This will take place at Melbourne URC at 6pm. There will be no Evensong here but everyone is welcome at the URC. The Preacher at the service will be the Rector.

Getting Married in the Melbourne Benefice:

On **Saturday 27th January 2018 at 9.30am in Church** the Melbourne Benefice will host its first pre - wedding seminar. This is an informal event for all couples who are due to marry across the benefice in 2018. Representatives from all aspects of the church including music, bells, flowers and administration will join Steve in an informal and lively forum to provide information and support to those preparing for marriage.

Additionally, on the second Tuesday of each month (beginning in February) the parish office will be open (for wedding queries only) in the church from 6.30 to 7.30 pm. *Karen Grewcock*

Social Events Programme for 2018

Please don't forget to put these dates in your diaries

- **Lent Lunches will begin on 21st February (every Wednesday until 21st March from 12noon to 1.30pm)**
- **Sunday Teas begin Easter Monday (2nd April) and then from 6th/7th May until Melbourne Festival weekend**
- **Sunday 20th May - A Bring and Share picnic lunch in the Rectory Garden**
- **Garden Party - Saturday 9th June in the Rectory Garden**
- **Harvest - 14th October followed by lunch in the Senior Citizens' Centre**
- **Christmas Bazaar on 17th November at the Assembly Rooms from 10am to 12 noon**
- **Hospitality Sunday - 25th November**

There will be more details as each event approaches

Church Wardens:

As many already know, Cliff Warner has now resigned as Church Warden. We are very grateful to Cliff for all he has given to the church over the past few months. He has very kindly offered to continue helping out with services as have Sheena, Ros, Margaret and Linda so you will be seeing familiar faces at the back of church as you attend worship. We are very appreciative of this support and indeed if anyone else would like to assist in the many and varied duties in the life of a Warden please see one of us.

This means that we are looking for 2 new Wardens for April this year so please would you be prayerfully considering whether this might be something for you to explore further or whether you have ideas of who might fill this important role.

Thank you, *Steve and Joanna*

Food Hygiene Course 21st January:

Please note the course is postponed. I apologise for this and will rearrange a new date as soon as possible. Unfortunately my PC has failed and I'm in the process of data recovery and repair. It's not the teaching of the course per se but the mandatory processing of the exam papers etc on line that I am unable to do until all is restored. Apologies again.

Karen Grewcock

Future Choir trips..... Dates for 2018

- Saturday 17th February: daytrip to Southwell, Notts
 - Low Sunday, 8th April: daytrip to Tewkesbury
 - Bank Holiday Mon, 7th May: daytrip to Worcester
 - Bank Holiday Mon, 28th May: daytrip to St Albans
- 25th and 26th August: Weekend at Chichester, West Sussex
 - Saturday 27th October: daytrip to Peterborough via Stamford

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!

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

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Guitar concert: at Ticknall Parish Church 7.30 **Saturday April 24th**. Proceeds towards the church.

A varied programme of music for 1 to 4 guitars plus some songs with guitar and lute accompaniment.

Players include Nick Gravestock and Ticknall resident Gethin Davies.

Nick Gravestock

8am Readers' Rota:

Many thanks to Paddy Laban who has agreed to take on the 8am Readers' rota.

Two Events for Children:

Sunday 11th February - Magical Mayhem - Starting and finishing in the church from 10.30am to 12 noon. Come and enjoy the magic and laugh at the brilliant illusions.

Inset Day Event on Friday 16th February. An exciting day of fun, games and adventure run by Pulse Ministries.

Phone Rachel Coupe on 01332 864842 for more information.

No need to book.

Angels' Delight:

We had a record number (21) of children at Angels' Delight on the 17th and a very welcome new helper in Wendy Moss. Thank you, too, to Margaret, Ann and Gordon who came to help with the great clear-up. The theme of the morning was the Presentation, or Candlemas and the children made beautifully bejewelled clay tea-light holders to take home and painted waxed paper candles for the display board. As usual, there was a lovely atmosphere of quiet busyness and many of the punters were quite reluctant to go home. We now have a longer gap than usual because there is a fifth Wednesday this month, so our next meeting is on February 7th. As three of our regulars will be on Lundy that week and two other helpers are also away, it would be great to have one or two volunteers to come and help, especially with the washing-up in St. Michael's House from about 10.30. Thank you - in anticipation. The next session will be on Wednesday 7th February.

Alison Gregory

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm	Caring Hands
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	7.30pm	PCC (St Michael's House)
Saturday:	4.30pm	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, Anne Brazier, John Glaze, John Hubbard, Roo Hubbard, Madge Limbert, Vicky Murray, Betty Park, Ruth Smith, 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 Quintin Blood, Michelle Oscroft, Hilary Jackson, Lyra Grace Staley and Joanna Ingram (priest).

Next Week at Melbourne: Candlemas

8am **Holy Communion**

(Sidespersons: Avril & Terry Harrison)

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

(Sidespersons: Pam Starkey, Matthew Needham)

(Coffee: Jane Cox, Kate Landenberger, Carolyn Tasker)

(Junior Church: Bronwen Truscott, Rachel Hill)

6.30pm **Evensong**

(Sidesperson: John Springthorpe)

The Readings at 8am & 10.30am:

First Reading: *Genesis 14.17-20*

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
maker of heaven and earth;
and blessed be God Most High,
who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

The Gospel Reading: *John 2.1-11*

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from

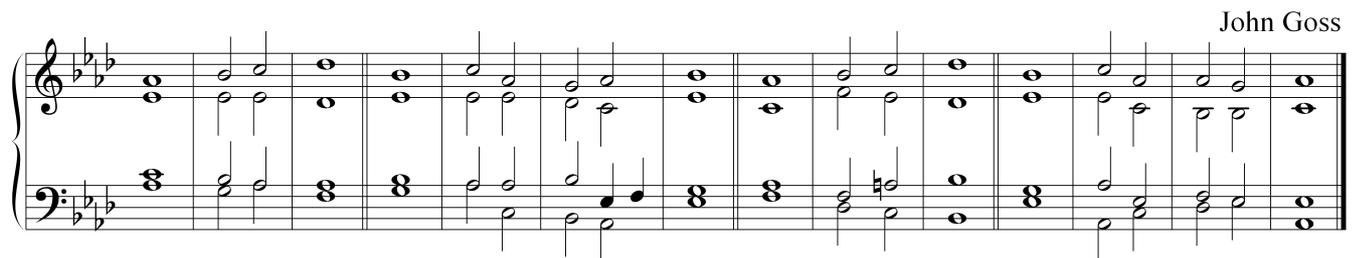
(though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Additional Collect

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: Psalm 128

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



- 1 Blessèd are | all • those who | fear →
the | Lord and | walk • in his | ways.
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of the | toil • of your | hands:
it shall go well with you and | happy | shall you | be.
- 3 Your wife within your house shall be like a | fruitful | vine:
your children round your | table • like | fresh • olive |
branches.
- 4 Thus | shall the | one →
be | blest who | fears the | Lord.
- 5 The Lord from out of | Zion | bless you:
that you may see Jerusalem in pros- | perity • all the | days •
of your | life.
- 6 May you | see your • children's | children:
and | may • there be | peace up-on | Israel.

Offertory Hymn at 10.30am:

1 Jesus, come! for we invite you,
Guest and Master, Friend and Lord;
now, as once at Cana's wedding,
speak, and let us hear your word:
lead us through our need or doubting,
hope be born and joy restored.

2 Jesus, come! transform our pleasures,
guide us into paths unknown;
bring your gifts, command your servants,
let us trust in you alone:
though your hand may work in secret,
all shall see what you have done.

3 Jesus, come in new creation,
heav'n brought near in power divine;
give your unexpected glory
changing water into wine:
rouse the faith of your disciples –
come, our first and greatest Sign!

4 Jesus, come! surprise our dullness,
make us willing to receive
more than we can yet imagine,
all the best you have to give:
let us find your hidden riches,
taste your love, believe, and live!

(*tune*: Neander)

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