

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



The Bulletin

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter - 6th May 2018

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: pages 7/8

Setting: *Rawsthorne* Festive Eucharist

Gradual Psalm: 98 (page 8)

Hymns: 113, 263 omit * [445, 118] 420

Anthem: Easter Light *Cecilia McDowall*

Organ Voluntary: Trumpet Tune on 'Lasst uns erfreuen' *te Velde*

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: 101 omit*, 262, 490, 112

Psalm: 104 vv. 26-32

Organ Voluntary: Prelude on 'St Albinus' *Philip Moore*

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 Margaret Jacques

6.30pm – Revd Michael Rogers

Smisby:

5.30pm – Revd Steve Short

Stanton:

11am – Revd Steve Short

Ticknall:

9.15am – Revd Steve Short



Taking responsibility for Church life today:

8am

Holy Communion

Sidespersons: Noreen & Tony Taylor

Server: Karen Grewcock

Reader: John Heydon

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Sidespersons: Janet Warner, Gordon Hughes

Crucifer: Graham Truscott

Server: Paul Fletcher-Read

Reader: Kate Landenberger

Intercessor: Sheena Wilkins

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Mary Bolton

Coffee: Kate Landenberger, Annabel Needham, Steph Hughes

6pm

Evensong

Sidesperson: Ann Hammond

Ascension Day – Thursday 10th May

On Ascension Day there will be two services in the Benefice:

9.15am – Holy Communion at Melbourne

7.30pm – Benefice Eucharist at Ticknall with combined Choirs from Ticknall and Melbourne

Everyone is very welcome. If you need a lift to Ticknall, please sign up on the noticeboard at the back of Church.

Christian Aid Week 2018 runs from 13th - 19th May: Willing volunteers are needed to help with the house to house collection for Christian Aid. Please contact Sheena Wilkins after the service or on 865053 if you can help. **This year the Christian Aid Service will be held at the Baptist Church at 6pm on 13th May.**

Choir on the Road 2018

- 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

Sign-up list for Worcester & St Albans is on the noticeboard.

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 Worcester Coach is £16 per seat and leaves at 9.00a.m.

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

Special price: £30 for both trips, if paid by today

Chichester: we are sorting out the accommodation for our weekend at the moment. If you would be interested in staying with the choir, do ask for details. As on previous weekends, it's always lovely to have the support of familiar faces.

Please get in touch if you want any further information

(simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or 01543 258777).

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Coffee arrangements:

The trial last week was so successful and we received so many positive comments, it has been decided to continue to serve drinks from the urn rather than use the flasks with their associated wastage and washing up! Please bear with us each week as those on the rota get used to the new arrangements. There was a 'biscuit hunt' but that had the advantage of moving folk away from the serving area! Thank you for your comments and encouragement.

Janet Warner and Carolyn Tasker

Sunday Teas: 2.30pm – 5pm in the Honner Room

Sunday Teas will be starting up in earnest once more on **Sunday 6th and Monday 7th May** right through to Festival weekend. Carolyn Tasker is finalising the rota and would be grateful to hear from anyone who can offer a slot either by baking a cake, serving on the day or washing up. The more the merrier! Please come along to support the venture so that we can raise a good amount for church funds and for charity.



Bring and Share picnic in the Rectory Garden:

Sunday 20th May starting at 12 noon after the

10.30am service for Pentecost: Join us for this special picnic to celebrate Pentecost. Sunday Teas will also be served that day so you could make an afternoon of it. Please bring a chair if you have one.

Free entry to all. **We would like an idea of numbers so if you're planning to come, please let one of the Committee know (names below).** *Many thanks, Kate Landenberger*



Garden Fete: 9th June from 2pm – 4pm:

This year we have moved the Garden Party to June 9th to make the most of the better weather (hopefully). The Infant School Choir will be performing for us during the afternoon and there will be lots of games and stalls to look around plus the ever popular Teas.

Please mark the date in your diaries and begin to sort out raffle prizes, paperbacks and bottles for the tombola. No bric-a-brac!

We would also be very grateful for help to set up gazebos and stalls and for help to clear away afterwards. Cakes small and large are also needed for the teas.

If you could offer help or have any great ideas for raising funds for the church, we would love to hear from you.

Social Committee: Sheena Wilkins, Linda Latchford, Joanna Hocknell, Carolyn Tasker, Janet Warner, Kate Landenberger



Bible Reading Fellowship: Several copies of the New Daylight Bible Reading Fellowship booklets have arrived in the office via Erica Stewart's family. Could you please let Kate in the office know if one of the booklets belongs to you and whether you wish to continue to take them. (862153). *Many thanks, Kate Landenberger*

Mothers' Union:

Our May meeting was held on Tuesday. Members were reminded that our annual coffee evening will be held in the Honner Room on June 5th at 7pm and were asked to bring items for the raffle, Bring and Buy stall and also for the Church Garden Party on the 9th June. A warm invitation to the Coffee evening is extended to all. Members signed a birthday card for Madge Limbert who will be 100 years old this month. Our speaker was Rachel Coupe who told us about her visit to Kenya to stay with her daughter Helen and she showed us slides of traditional and modern life in Kenya as well as lots of beautiful wild animals. *Alison Gregory*

Angels' Delight:

In spite of a very wet start to the day 21 children attended along with their carers. As we were marking Rogationtide, Steve told the story of the Sower and then the children planted sunflower seeds to take home and decorated paper plates with pasta and seeds. It is good to see the growing confidence of the children as they are now familiar with the format of the morning. Sometimes, when they first come in, they are a little shy and awestruck by the building but they soon settle and feel 'at home'. A few children like to run around or to play hide and seek, but most are very contented to play with the toys and puzzles and to join in with the activities of the day. The atmosphere is one of tranquil busyness! Thanks once again to the wonderful behind-the-scenes team wielding their tea-towels in St. Michael's House and to the mat-laying bell-ringers. *Alison Gregory*

Friends Events:

Friday 8th June 2018: The Accidental Anarchist - a film introduced by Carne Ross (7.30pm in the church)

This evening's subject could not be more relevant: fake news, the new Cold War, conspiracy theories....

We will be showing the short film *The Accidental Anarchist*.

Carne Ross was a career diplomat who believed western democracy could save us all. But after the Iraq war he became disillusioned and resigned. This film traces Carne's worldwide quest to find a better way of doing things - from a farming collective in Spain, to Occupy Wall Street to Rojava in war-torn Syria - as he makes the epic journey from government insider to anarchist.

Tickets are £5 (£3 to Friends' members). Why not arrive early and enjoy a glass of something on the Rectory lawn overlooking Melbourne Pool? Contact Gordon Hughes on 07837 592 596 or through gordonhughes007@btinternet.com.

Friday 29th June 2018: Horrockses Fashions in the 1940s and 1950s - an interactive talk by Dr. Christine Boydell (7.30pm in the church)

Audience members are invited to bring along any Horrockses Fashions they own, and/or photographs of family members wearing their Horrockses in the 1940s and 1950s.

Tickets are £3 (no charge for Friends' members). Why not arrive early and enjoy a glass of something on the Rectory lawn overlooking Melbourne Pool? Contact Gordon Hughes on 07837 592 596 or through gordonhughes007@btinternet.com.

Sunday 15th July: We are joined for a picnic lunch by the Friends of St Martin's church in Bilborough, Nottingham, who will spend the afternoon looking around our church, Melbourne Hall Gardens and Melbourne itself, ending with Choral Evensong at 6.30 pm. We encourage as many of our members as possible to join us in welcoming some like-minded people from the other side of Nottingham. More details to follow.

Madge Limbert is 100:

Madge was a regular "8 o'clocker" until she moved into The Yews, in Alvaston, a few years ago. She will reach the marvellous age of 100 on May 21st and there is a card at the back of Church for people to sign. She is virtually blind and deaf but very content with life. *Janet Warner*

Macmillan Cancer Support Event:

Join us for The Big Breakfast, Big Afternoon Tea and Big Pint to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Good food and drink available all day plus screenings of the Royal Wedding and FA Cup Final. Saturday May 19th 2018 at the Blue Bell Pub and garden of the Senior Citizens Centre. Thank you for your donations already received.

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2.30pm-5pm	Sunday Teas
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am 7.30pm	Holy Communion for Ascension Day Benefice Service at Ticknall for Ascension Day
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, Roo Hubbard, Madge Limbert, Tom Mills, Vicky Murray, Betty Park,

Ruth Smith and Margaret Stockley. 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 Richard Heath, Frank Potts and June White, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Frederick Burden, Ruth Brookbanks, Joe Winters, and Jonathan Franks.

Next Week at Melbourne: Easter 7

8am **Holy Communion**

(Sidespersons: Karen Grewcock, John Tatam)

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

(Sidespersons: Jenny Jackson, Ken Gibson)

(Coffee: Mary Bolton, Cliff & Janet Warner),

6pm **No Evensong here tonight. Christian Aid Service at the
Baptist Church**

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Acts 10.44-end*

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptising these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Gospel Reading: *John 15.9-17*

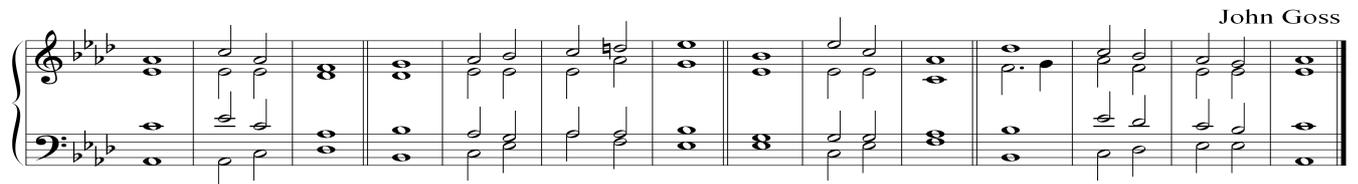
As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer,

because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Additional Collect

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm 98*



- 1 Sing to the | Lord a | new song:
for | he • has done | marvellous | things.
- 2 His own right hand and his | holy | arm:
have | won for | him the | victory.
- 3 The Lord has made | known • his sal- | vation;
his deliverance has he openly | shown • in the | sight • of the
| nations.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the | house of
| Israel;
and all the ends of the earth have | seen • the sal- | vation • of our
| God.
- 5 Sound praises to the | Lord • all the | earth;
break into | singing | and make | music.
- 6 Make music to the | Lord • with the | lyre;
with the | lyre • and the | voice of | melody.
- † 7 With trumpets and the | sound • of the | horn:
sound praises be- | fore the | Lord the | King.
- 8 Let the sea thunder and | all that | fills it;
the world and | all that | dwell up- | on it.
- 9 Let the | rivers • clap their | hands:
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord *
for he | comes to | judge the | earth.