

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



The Bulletin

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The Second Sunday before Lent - 24th February 2019

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: pages 7/8

Setting: *Cæsar* St Mary's Mass

Gradual Psalm: 65 (insert)

Hymns: 146, Above the moon earth rises (insert) [405, 393] 354

Anthem: A Prayer of Richard of Chichester *Malcolm Archer*

Organ Voluntary: Processional *William Mathias*

6.30pm **Evensong**

(There is no Evensong at Melbourne this evening but there is a
5.30pm Service of Evening Prayer at Smisby tonight)

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 Margaret Jacques
10.30am – Revd Margaret Jacques
6.30pm – No Service tonight

Smisby: 5.30pm – Dr Nick Gravestock

Stanton: 11am – Revd Michael Rogers

Ticknall: 9.15am – Revd Michael Rogers

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:**

8am Holy Communion

Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins

Server: John Tatam

Reader: Joy Hill

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church & Coffee

Acting Warden: Joanna Hocknell

Sidespersons: Carolyn Tasker, David Smith

Crucifer: Paul Fletcher-Read

Server: Kate Landenberger

Reader: Steph Hughes

Intercessor: Gordon Hughes

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Martha Clements

Coffee: Mary Bolton, Janet Warner, Margaret Brackenbury

6.30pm Evensong

No Evensong tonight (instead 5.30pm at Smisby)

ASH WEDNESDAY:

On 6th March Lent begins. There will be a Benefice Service held at 7.30pm at St George's, Ticknall to mark Ash Wednesday with Imposition of Ashes. A combined Choir will be singing at this service. All welcome!

Sunday 24th February – Evensong at Melbourne

Apologies that due to half term holidays, there will be no Evensong at Melbourne tonight. But there is a service at 5.30pm at Smisby, which you would be very welcome at. -Steve

Men's Breakfast!

Our new(ish!) home group Living Waters came up with the fabulous idea of having a Men's Breakfast. I'm delighted to announce that we are holding our first event on: **Saturday 23rd March 2019, 8.45 am** at the **Senior Citizens' Centre, Melbourne.**

Our friends from the Blue Bell Inn are providing our cooked breakfast which can be ordered in advance (please see the sign up sheets in church or email through to: stephen.short71@btinternet.com).

The format will be very straightforward - eating a fabulous breakfast and then input from a guest speaker. To kick us off (there is a pun here) the Revd Tony Luke, vicar of the Aston Benefice, will be telling us about his exciting role as chaplain to the Derby Rams Football Club (the 'rams rev').

To whet the appetite here's the breakfast menu from the Blue Bell:

Choosing from; Bacon, Sausage, Egg, Mushroom, Tomatoes, Beans, Hash Brown or fried Bread, Black Pudding, Toast.

5 items - **£3.95**

6 items - **£4.45**

7 items - **£4.95**

8 items - **£5.45**

Bread and butter or extra items **50p**

This is an ideal event to invite non church people to so do get thinking about who you could invite for great food and fellowship! *Steve*

"Living Waters met Monday 18th February and welcomed Dr Nick Gravestock. Nick led our worship time with a very gentle spiritual Taize Service and prayer time, followed by a thought provoking Bible Study on John 17:1-5 and then Table Fellowship. Taize is a repetitive, gentle and spiritual genre of worship and song which comes from the Ecumenical Taize Community in France and is enjoyed by people, young and old, the world over. It is particularly appreciated by young people and gathers congregations of over 2000 at a time but it is just as effective in a small group setting or as a service in church. A big thank you goes to Nick for his time and leadership.

Over refreshments we talked about the themes for the next four months and agreed also that it might be lovely to meet at Whistlewood Common sometime in the Summer; outdoors if fine or in the new Round House if the weather lets us down, so I shall be looking into the possibility of this. We are fortunate to have Whistlewood Common in our Benefice and it would lend itself very well to this sort of small group usage in the week when it's quiet and very peaceful. If those of you who were missing because of Half Term Grandparent Duties have any thoughts on future themes then please do get in touch.

The dates for the next few meetings at No 63 at 10.30am have been set as

follows:- Tuesday 12th March, Tuesday 16th April (Special Holy Week meeting), Monday 13th May.

For refreshment purposes, and as always, will our regulars please let us know whether or not they are coming. New faces will be very welcome.

Also, Rosie brought along the latest brochure on Quiet Days and Events at Launde Abbey and I will leave that on that table at the back of church for anyone interested to have a look. *Revd. Margaret and Allan.*

World Day of Prayer: This year the World Day of Prayer is on Friday 1st March. The Service in Melbourne is at 2pm in the The Catholic Church. You are all very welcome to be part of this wave of Prayer.

Church Electoral Roll:

This year our Church Electoral Roll has to be completely re-created: That time is now upon us. During the next few weeks Application forms will be handed out with The Bulletin and will also be available from the table underneath the Noticeboard in the Church. Everyone wishing to be included on the Electoral Roll of our Church at our APCM is asked to fill-in a form and return it to the box which is being left at the back of the Church. Alternatively, the forms may be handed to Cliff Warner. All forms **MUST** be returned by **24 March** for your name to be entered on to the Roll in time for the APCM. The new Roll will be displayed in the Church after 7 April, should you wish to check the inclusion of your name. Any further additions will be made at any time after 30 April.

My thanks to you all for your co-operation in the compilation of this important document. *Cliff Warner - MPC Electoral Roll Officer*

2019 Social Committee Events for your diaries:

Here are some of the dates to note in your diaries:

Lent Lunches: begin on 13th March 2019 up to 10th April from 12noon to 1.30pm. Prices the same as last year.

Garden Fete: Saturday 8th June from 2pm - 4pm in the Rectory Garden. Details to follow...

Hospitality Sunday: 23rd June.

Sunday Teas: from Easter Monday and then every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday up to Festival Weekend on 14th - 15th September.

Harvest Festival: 13th October. We would welcome any ideas for celebrating Harvest this year. Please be in touch with any Social Committee member.

Autumn Fair: 16th November at MARs

Social Committee Members: Rachel Short, Linda Latchford, Carolyn Tasker, Sheena Wilkins, Allan Jacques, Janet Warner and Kate Landenberger

Request from Janet Warner for “Days for Girls”:

I am leading a small working party of Willington WI members in making ‘Days for Girls’ kits. These are washable, easy to use feminine hygiene kits for girls in countries such as Uganda, Kenya. Without these kits, the girls cannot attend school for one week of the month and they are banished to a hut on the outskirts of the village where they can easily become victims of abuse. Does anyone have pieces of cotton fabric, at least 30cm square that we could use? What I am particularly short of are pieces of brushed cotton or flannelette. (pale or plain colours or any with images of people, insects and animals are not acceptable) Each kit, my target is 8, will provide a girl with three years of protection. A google search on ‘Days for Girls’ will give you more background information. Thank you in anticipation of you searching through cupboards!!!
Janet Warner

Lent Lunches:

Lent Lunches begin on Wednesday 13th March. There will be the usual menu homemade soup, bread, cheese and a hot drink all for £3.50 or £3 for those of us over 60!

If you would like to help either by making soup, serving or washing up please could you contact me on 865053 or via the Parish Office.

The money we raise will go to support the Kolkata Cathedral Relief Service that aims to help the poorest of the poor in Kolkata. We have supported this work for many years, some of our congregation have been to visit and seen the work they do. Thank you,
Sheena Wilkins



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A Mercia Deanery Prayer Afternoon:

A Mercia Deanery Prayer Afternoon will take place here at Melbourne on **Saturday 9th March from 2pm - 4pm in and around the Church.** Everyone is very welcome!

The Travelling People:

The Choir is pleased to present The Travelling People, in an evening of laughter, supper and song, on Friday 29th March 2019 at Melbourne Assembly Rooms. Doors open at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. Ticket price £16.00 includes our usual popular two course supper. There will be a licensed bar. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets available from Romey 01332 863379 or talk to any choir member.
Romey Cunnington

Dower House Garden open:

The Dower House garden is open today until 3.30pm for the NGS. There is still time to see this lovely garden in its winter setting.

Probus trip to Liverpool:

On Monday 25th March there will be a coach trip to Liverpool leaving Castle Square at 8am, an hour earlier than previous trips in order to give more time there. We aim to be back in Melbourne by 6.30pm. The price for the trip is £17 each. Places available from John Williams on 863854 or from me on 862013. We ask for payment by 10th March to confirm your seat. *Terry Harrison*

'Wendy' Events for your Diary:

Back by popular demand, I am putting together another 'Wendy Walk'! Saturday 1st June 2019. Destination Alstonefield Derbyshire. A 5 mile walk (mostly easy) around Alstonefield and The Peaks, followed by early supper at The George, Alstonefield. Meeting 13.30 for tea and cake and setting off at 2pm, supper is booked for 6pm and everyone is welcome. If you would just like to join us for the supper you are also very welcome. Please let me know your interest in either the walk with supper or just supper. Arrangements and menus to be advised accordingly...

I am also putting together another 'Tour'. After the success of Honfleur, I am considering another destination within easy driving distance of Calais with lots to offer, I thought this year Rouen in Normandy. Dates, Monday 4 November 2019 departure by coach. Channel Tunnel crossing and return Thursday 7 November (3 nights B&B)Please let me know if you are interested and further information will follow...Many thanks,

Wendy Robinson wamsport@yahoo.co.uk 01530 810217 or 07790 474889

LOST - padded jacket, grey with a hood, last seen in Vestry Tues. 19th Feb, bellringing Practice. Hung on door leading to the Tower, not there on Thurs. No trace at home or in car. Please contact Pam if found. Pam Starkey

Date changes: Please note that due to difficulties in recruiting volunteers, the following dates have been changed:

Messy Easter on Saturday 13th April is cancelled. Instead there will be self-guided tour of Experience Easter on Saturday 20th April.

Messy Pentecost on Saturday 8th June (Church Fair day). Instead there will be a Messy Church on Saturday 18th May. *Rachel Coupe*

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm	Caring Hands in Honner Room
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	7.30pm	Friends Meeting in the Honner Room
Friday:	2pm	World Day of Prayer at Catholic Church

	2.30pm	Funeral of John Glaze
	7.30pm	Melbourne Male Voice Choir Practice SMH
Saturday:	4pm	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, Marjorie Heydon, Roo Hubbard, David Ingram, Revd Jason Kennedy, Madge Limbert, Betty Park, Ruth & Bob 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 John Glaze, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Bert Boocock, David Williamson, Beryl Barton and Constance Janet James-Davies.

Next Week at Melbourne: The Sunday Next before Lent

8am **Holy Communion**

(Sidespersons: Tony Taylor, John Tatam)

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

(Sidespersons: Margaret Murray-Leslie, Gordon Hughes)

(Coffee: Griselda Kerr, Annabel Needham, Sheena Wilkins)

(Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Isobel Hall)

6.30pm **Evensong:**

(Sidesperson: Sheena Wilkins)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end*

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up – for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and

there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground – then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’ Then the Lord God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.’ So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, ‘This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken.’

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

The Gospel Reading: *Luke 8.22-25*

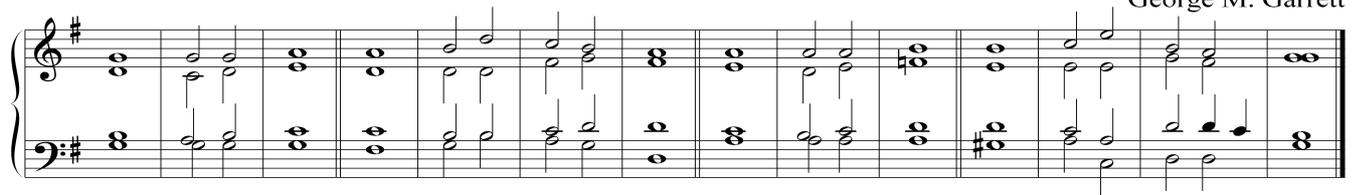
One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, ‘Let us go across to the other side of the lake.’ So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, ‘Master, Master, we are perishing!’ And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, ‘Where is your faith?’ They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?’

Additional Collect:

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm 65*

George M. Garrett



- 1 Praise is due to you O | God in | Zion;
to you that answer | prayer shall | vows be | paid.
- 2 To you shall all flesh come to con- | fess their | sins;
when our misdeeds prevail against us | you will | purge • them a- |
way.
- 3 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your | courts to | dwell
there.
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house *
| even • of your | holy | temple.
- 4 With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness — >
O | God of • our sal- | vation:
O hope of all the ends of the earth and | of the | farthest | seas.
- 5 In your strength you set | fast the | mountains:
and are | girded a- | bout with | might.
- 6 You still the | raging • of the | seas;
the roaring of their waves and the | clamour | of the | peoples.
- †7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth | tremble • at your | marvels;
the gates of the | morning and | evening • sing your | praise.
- 8 You visit the | earth and | water it;
you | make it | very | plenteous.
- 9 The river of God is | full of | water;
you prepare grain for your people *
for | so • you pro- | vide • for the | earth.
- 10 You drench the furrows and | smooth out • the | ridges;
you soften the ground with | showers and | bless its | increase.
- 11 You crown the | year with • your | goodness;
and your | paths • over- | flow with | plenty.
- 12 May the pastures of the wilderness | flow with | goodness;
and the | hills be | girded with | joy.
- 13 May the meadows be clothed with | flocks of | sheep;
and the valleys stand so thick with corn that | they shall | laugh and |
sing.

Offertory Hymn at 10.30am:

1. Above the moon earth rises,
a sunlit mossy stone,
a garden that God prizes
where life has richly grown,
an emerald selected
for us to guard with care,
an isle in space protected
by one thin reef of air.

2. The mossy stone is grieving,
its tears are bitter rain,
the garden is unleaving
and all its harvests wane,
the emerald is clouded,
its lustre dims and fades,
the isle of life is shrouded
in thick and stagnant haze.

3. O listen to the sighing
of water, sky and land,
and hear the Spirit crying,
the future is at hand:
the moss and garden thinning
portend a death or birth,
the end or new beginning
for all that lives on earth.

4. A death if hearts now harden,
a birth if we repent
and tend and keep the garden
as God has always meant:
to sow without abusing
the soil where life is grown,
to reap without our bruising
the sunlit mossy stone. (*tune: Salley Gardens*)

Thomas H. Troeger (*b.1945*)
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