

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



The Bulletin

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The Third Sunday of Easter - 5th May 2019

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Readings: pages 10/11

Setting: *Rawsthorne* Festive Eucharist

Gradual Psalm: 30 (page 12)

Hymns: 113, 104 [105, 114] 112

Anthem: Love is come again *French arr. Paterson*

Organ Voluntary: Voluntary on 'Württemberg' *Richard Lloyd*

6.30pm Evensong

Hymns: 105, 107, 118, 124

Psalm: 86 vv.1-7

Organ Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on 'Vulpius' *Healey Willan*

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
6.30pm – Revd Michael Rogers
Smisby: 5.30pm – Revd Steve Short
Stanton: 11am – Dr Nick Gravestock
Ticknall: 9.15am – Dr Nick Gravestock



Taking responsibility for Church life today:

8am Holy Communion

Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins

Server: John Tivey

Reader: Nigel Coupe

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church & Coffee

Acting Wardens: Kit Emery, Roddy Lott

Sidespersons: Ros Bell, Matthew Needham

Crucifer: Brian Dollamore

Server: Jo Glaze

Reader: Maurice Starkey

Intercessor: Joanna Hocknell

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Isobel Hall

Coffee: Mary Bolton, Rachel Short, Kate Landenberger

6.30pm Evensong

Acting Warden: Gordon Hughes

Sidespersons: Joe & Paddy Laban

Introducing:

We're delighted to be joined by John Ferguson at our 10.30am service today. John is currently an independent student at The Queen's Foundation, Birmingham (Theological College) and will be joining us on placement over the coming weeks as he continues to explore a vocation to ordained ministry. John writes:

'My name is John and I'm a student studying Christian Theology, Ministry and Mission, part time, at The Queen's Foundation in Birmingham. I'm coming towards

the end of my first year and as part of the final module we have a placement in a church context that has to be different from what we are used to. I've been a Christian for as long as I can remember, growing up in a Christian family and attending our local village Church until I moved to Derby in 2005. Since 2005 I have attended St. Peter's in the City, the church in the centre of Derby. St. Peter's is an evangelical church so I'm looking forward to spending the next three months in the Melbourne benefice and experiencing a different style of worship. I work full time for ALDI as an IT Manager and currently live in Overseal, just outside Swadlincote. In my free time I enjoy playing the Piano and Scuba Diving.'

Please do welcome John and help him to feel at home.

-Steve

Sunday Teas:



This weekend Sunday Teas will be open on Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday so be sure to pop in to support us. We will be serving Teas every Sunday and Bank Holiday from now until the Festival Weekend (September 14th & 15th). Thank you for filling in the rota, which is really important as without you this project would not be possible. If you would like to offer cakes, serve teas or wash up, and have not so far

put your name on the rota, then please contact Carolyn Tasker (864940) or the Parish Office on 862153. I'm sure we could find you something to do! 10% of our takings will be going to support the work of the Padley Centre in Derby. Many thanks from the *Social Committee*

Mother's Union May News:

As the diocesan AGM is being held at Matlock on Tuesday 7th May, which is our usual meeting day, we will be holding our branch meeting the following Tuesday, 14th May. Our speaker will be our Diocesan President, Beryl Murdy who will bring us up to date with recent MU initiatives. Everyone is welcome to come along to our meetings so come and hear more of the role that MU plays in the wider world.

We also have an invitation to the Deanery festival for the City and Mercia branches. This is being held at Aston on Thursday June 6th at 2:30pm. It would be good to support them and we can arrange lifts nearer the time.

Ros Bell

Angels' Delight:

As the new term started on Wednesday, it was down with the Old (Testament) and up with the New. Steve told the story of the Big Picnic and the children decorated fishes and created the 5000 – do you remember making concertina figures? If you look at the display board and count the fishes, you will realise that the miracle has already happened. The usual

snacks were enhanced by fresh, crusty bread and fish biscuits (shape not flavour!) which went down very well. Those who had to scamper across to St. Michael's House were pleased to see that the Angels' garden is still blooming.

Thanks, as always to the bellringers, kitchen elves and Gordon – you make such a difference.

JOB VACANCY: We really need at least one more elf. Duties consist of washing/drying innumerable mugs, beakers, lids and bowls and possibly a bit of carrying of said vessels between church and SMH.

URGENT: On May 15th, we will need TWO elves as one of our regulars is going AWOL. On that date, we could also do with another helper in church to supervise the signing-in and help with serving snacks. We will be without three of our regular team due to an injudiciously planned holiday in Italy.

Please see Rachel Short or me if you feel you could help. The remaining dates for this term are May 15th, June 5th and 19th, July 3rd and 17th.

Alison Gregory

Bach in England:

7.30pm, Saturday 11th May at Melbourne Parish Church

The Friends of Melbourne Parish Church are pleased to present Bach in England.

Bach died in 1750. Strangely much of his music then became forgotten for half a century, even in the German speaking world. This was in part due to changing fashion in popular taste and part due to the fact that very few of his works were published for purchase. In England, things began to change in the first decade of the 19th Century when Samuel Wesley discovered some scores and became an ardent advocate of Bach's music, presenting it in concerts and publishing editions himself. Through his influence and that of Mendelssohn, who made frequent visits to England, Bach's organ music had far-reaching consequences in this country on music composition, the design of organs and the standard of organ playing. Today, organists cannot imagine life without Bach's music!

Our own Laurence Rogers will tell the story of how this came about, in words, pictures and music.

Free to Friends, £3 to those who haven't got around to joining the Friends yet.

Gordon Hughes 07837 592596

Bishop Libby's Installation Service Update:

A reminder that Bishop Libby's Installation Service is at 2.30pm on Saturday, 25 May 2019 at Derby Cathedral.

This service will be a wonderfully joyous occasion of celebration and prayer as we welcome Bishop Libby. It is also a time for both Bishop Libby and the whole Diocese to renew their commitment as we inaugurate a new phase of

ministry in the Diocese of Derby. The service will be signed, and will feature, among others, members of the Youth Council and representatives from all the deaneries and sector ministries from within the Diocese.

The service will see a number of special Church traditions followed: Bishop Libby will be anointed with oil, garlanded with flowers, presented with the Pastoral Staff and vested in the Diocesan cope and mitre.

And, of course, she will be placed for the first time in the cathedra, or bishop's seat, the symbolic place from where her ministry will be overseen.

It is an open service and so all are welcome to attend. Please be in your seats by 2pm.

Before the service, Bishop Libby will be walking through the city, meeting people of all faiths and none, accompanied by schoolchildren and celebratory flag bearers. *From the Diocese of Derby e-news*

Living Waters House Group:

The group next meets on **MONDAY 13th May 10.30am at No. 63 Jubilee Close**. At Alison's we shall be looking at Baptism and Confirmation, but because the day previous is Vocations Sunday, we shall be looking through the lens of Vocation. What is our understanding of Baptism and of Confirmation and how do these two Rights of Passage act as springboards and inform our Vocation as Christians? What is "Vocation" and "Every Member Ministry"? Lots to think about in a supportive environment. Our text for the meeting is 1 John 3:16-24. If possible, please read this beforehand. All are welcome but, for refreshment purposes, will everyone please let us know whether or not they are coming. We look forward to getting together again. *Revd. Margaret and Allan*

The Archive:

Following the death of our Archivist, Roy Dunncliffe, we have been giving thought as to how best to continue to protect and further our archive collection of memorabilia etc. The good news is that the perfect person has come forward to volunteer - Janet Spencer. I look forward to working with Janet as she starts to look into what we have and to continue Roy's good work into the future.

Please contact either of us if you have items of past Church interest. We can always call and collect!

Janet Spencer janetspencer39@ymail.com

Roger Kington enquiries@roger-kington.co.uk (863388)

The Choral Road 2019...

...takes Melbourne Parish Church Choir to the following place:

- **Bank Holiday Mon, 6th May: day trip to Bristol – LAST CALL**

Thanks to everyone who supported our trips in 2018.

The choir values greatly the company and support of the Congregation and other friends on these occasions 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 list for Bury St Edmunds is still on the noticeboard.

The Bristol Coach is £18 per seat and leaves at 8.45am

Please see Simon after this service if you still haven't booked and wish to go tomorrow

(simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or 01543 258777) Simon Collins, Director of Music

Christian Aid Week:

Christian Aid Week is nearly here (**begins 12th May and ends on the 18th**).

Could you help with the house to house collection to support this most worthy cause? Please contact Sheena Wilkins after a service or on 865053.

All the churches in Melbourne take part in this and we have a list of streets allocated to us.

There will be a service to mark the beginning of Christian Aid Week on Sunday 12th May at 6pm at the Roman Catholic Church when prayers are offered for the work of Christian Aid and for the collectors venturing forth to collect. There will also be a speaker from Christian Aid.

[Christine and Matt Lee (Derby Road, opposite Sainsbury's) will also be having a yard sale on 11th May in the morning in aid of Christian Aid so please come along.] *Sheena Wilkins*

Easter Children's Events:

There was a 'bumper crop' of events for children in the run-up to Easter! 120 children from years 2 and 3 came to 'Experience Easter' and were inspired by six thoughtful stations offering a multisensory experience of the events of Holy Week. The exhibition was set up again on Holy Saturday when a steady stream of visitors came into church.

'Pulse', once again offered a top quality day of energetic fun on the school INSET day. This explored our Christian faith through a jungle theme. 17 lovely children came to this very spiritual event and were richly blessed. The 'Countdown to Easter' Puppet Show was also well attended and we

welcomed friends from the URC with the Pilots group who thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

A big thank you to the 7 children who created the beautiful Easter Garden on Palm Sunday. Easter Day had double that number of children as we welcomed visitors, some visiting relatives for the Festival. This was a family service which included an egg and spoon race, chocolate covered grapes and an Easter egg hunt. An even bigger thank you to all the volunteers who made all the Easter activities possible!

Rachel Coupe

Fancy a Cuppa!

The next session of 'Fancy a Cuppa' will be held on Tuesday May 14th from 10.30am to 12.00 at the Senior Citizens' Centre. **'Are you Scam-Aware? How to spot a scam and what to do'** with Angela Lobley from Derbyshire Scamwatch. £1 for tea/coffee, £1 for homemade cake. A warm welcome to all.

The Power of Church Buildings: (Taken from the Church of England website) Becky Clark, Director of Churches and Cathedrals reflects on the popular response following the devastating fire at Notre Dame in Paris:

The fire at Notre Dame at the start of Holy Week drew expressions of dismay and solidarity from across the globe: Barack Obama, Donald Tusk, the Archbishop of Canterbury, even Cher.

The people of Paris gathered, watched, sang, and prayed. The churches and cathedrals of England rang their bells in solidarity on Maundy Thursday following a request from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. Within a week more than €750 million had been pledged to the restoration, most of it from ultra-rich individuals, an amount which both provoked astonishment and attracted censure. The French President, Emmanuel Macron, promised rebuilding within five years, an unimaginably fast timetable for anyone who has worked with historic buildings.

What was it about this event that so touched people?

The answer speaks to the complex relationship churches, governments, and the general population have with their church buildings. The Church of England cares for 16,000 church buildings, including 42 cathedrals and 350 major churches, many of them as old and complex as Notre Dame. Recent years have seen significant changes in patterns of use. Eleven years of austerity have made demands of the Church of England which it has not had to meet at such scale since the introduction of the welfare state: more than 33,000 social action projects including food banks, night shelters and breakfast clubs are run or supported by Church of England churches.

The result of this is that more use of buildings is needed during the week. In areas of the church where attendance at worship has grown – cathedrals for example – the majority of that growth has also been in midweek services. It is not reasonable to limit definitions of 'churchgoers' to those who set their

alarm on a Sunday morning. God's Word is also taught through practical means that any reader of the gospel would recognise: feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, comforting those who mourn, consistently refusing to pass by on the other side of the road.

Millions of people visit cathedrals and church buildings each year. Cathedrals alone contribute over £220m to the national economy and employ over 3,000 people. Their history and beauty are a huge part of their appeal; 45% of England's Grade I listed buildings are churches. It would take a very bold or foolish church indeed to wish to be rid of all of that. At times architectural inheritance and modern use can seem to clash, but it is not right to argue we can have either history or convenience, the task is to find the balance between them. The commitment of many thousands of Parochial Church Council members towards seeing their church building cared for – and used – is a great unsung contribution to the life of the nation.

In talking of the appeal and use of church buildings it is important to recognise that there are significant issues. For example, many churches are not physically accessible, and even when they are, churches are not universally good at advertising that; the Church Buildings Council has recognised that this an area where specific, urgent work is needed. The role of a church in being there for everyone in its community demands that this is gotten right.

As at Notre Dame pre-fire, funding is also an issue. The last direct publicly funded financial support for church buildings – via what was then the Heritage Lottery Fund – ended in 2017, although churches who find their own funding for repair works can still receive grants equivalent to the VAT costs, through the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme. Those who attend church are generous in their giving, but the care of church buildings is the right and responsibility of more than just those who worship there, because churches benefit society as a whole. The Taylor Review of church building sustainability, commissioned by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, recognised the need for shared financial support, because “churches are uniquely positioned inside almost every area and community of England, with the ability and the desire to be a resource for the people who live in their parish.” Seeking a long-term solution which guarantees this can continue is a significant issue for those responsible for national church buildings policy.

Churches contain England's history – national and personal, good and bad – and are a tangible link to the past. Their physical presence provides places of peace, beauty, gathering, the ability to be in a place which provides a gateway to something bigger than oneself – to the divine. When people of no faith felt sorrow as the flames licked the towers of Notre Dame it was, unique to each person, a mix of these factors which touched them. Church buildings symbolise the possibility of what elsewhere might seem impossible: justice, quietness, community, acceptance, and life in all abundance.

Advanced Notice:

The *Garden Fete* is on the 8th June at 2pm – 4pm in the Rectory Garden. Please start to bring in goods to sell. They can be stored in Church House. Bottles for the tombola, paperbacks, cakes, raffle prizes and gifts are especially needed.

If you could offer a couple of hours in the morning to help set up, please contact Kate in the Parish Office (862153) or see any member of the Social Committee. We also need volunteers for the Teas and help to restore the Rectory Garden afterwards! (More details of stallholders etc. will be included in the bulletin next week.)

The Infant School Choir will be performing as will members of the Town Band, with Brendan as lead, and our own team of handbell ringers.

Hospitality Sunday on the 23rd June (more details soon)

And finally Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from 13th May to 23rd May inclusive. Any items for the bulletin of 19th May should be received by 10th May at the very latest. Emails and phone messages will be answered on my return. Thanks, Kate

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	8.45am	Choir day trip to Bristol
	2.30pm	Sunday Teas in the Honner Room
Tuesday:	2pm	Funeral of Gerald Thomas Earp
	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	12 bell ringing
Friday:	7pm	Male Voice Choir Practice (SMH)
Saturday:	11.15am	Rugby ringing tour
	4pm	Church prepared for Sunday Worship
	7.30pm	Friends Event – Bach in England

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, David Ingram, Madge Limbert, Betty Park, Bob Smith, Susan 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 Dorothy Perla and Sylvia Rose Bird, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Joe Winters and Jonathan Franks.

Next Week at Melbourne: Fourth Sunday of Easter

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidespersons: Joy Hill, Joe Laban)

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

(Sidespersons: Carolyn & Nigel Tasker)

(Coffee: Linda Latchford, Pam & Maurice Starkey)

(Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Rachel Hill)

6.30pm **There will be no Evensong at Melbourne. Instead there is a
Christian Aid Service at the RC Church at 6pm**

OR Evening Prayer at Smisby at 5.30pm

The Readings at 8am & 10.30am:

First Reading: *Acts 9.1-6*

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

The Gospel Reading: *John 21.1-19*

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and

got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Additional Collect:

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm: 30*

- 1 I will exalt you O Lord because you have | raised me | up:
and have | not • let my | foes • triumph | over me.
- [2] O | Lord my | God –>
I cried out to | you and | you have | healed me.
- 3 You brought me up O | Lord, • from the | dead:
you restored me to life from among | those • that go | down • to
the | Pit.
- 4 Sing to the Lord you | servants • of | his:
give | thanks • to his | holy | name.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye * his | favour • for a
| lifetime:
Heaviness may endure for a night * but | joy comes | in the |
morning.
- 6 In my prosperity I said, 'I shall | never • be | moved.
You Lord of your goodness have | made my | hill so | strong.'

(verses 7 -10 are sung by the Choir alone to a different chant)

- 7 *Then you hid your | face from | me:
and | I was | utterly • dis- | mayed.*
- 8 *To you O | Lord I | cried:
to the | Lord I | made my • suppli- | cation:*
- 9 *'What profit is there in my blood if I go | down • to the | Pit?
Will the dust | praise you • or de- | clare your | faithfulness?*
- [10] *'Hear O | Lord • and have | mercy –>
up- | on me* • O | Lord • be my | helper.'*

All

- 11 You have turned my | mourning • into | dancing:
you have put off my sackcloth and | girded | me with | gladness;
- 12 Therefore my heart sings to | you • without | ceasing:
O Lord my God I will | give you | thanks for | ever.