

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



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Christ the King - 24th November 2019

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: can be found on page 6

Introit: Above all praise and all majesty *Mendelssohn*

Setting: *Paul Mealor* Missa Sancta Maria Tota Bona

Hymns: 345, Hail Redeemer (page 7), 373 [446, 134]

Christ triumphant (page 8)

Anthem: Ubi caritas *Ola Gjeilo*

Organ Voluntary: "St. Anne" Fugue in E flat (BWV552) *J.S.Bach*

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: Christ Triumphant (page 8), 386, 499, 352

Psalm: 72 vv.1-7

Organ Voluntary: Trumpet Tune (Te Deum) *Charpentier*

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 Michael Rogers
10.30am – Revd Michael Rogers
6.30pm – Dr Nick Gravestock

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: Tony Taylor, Joe Laban

Server: John Tivey

Reader: Joy Hill

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Acting Wardens: Cliff Warner, Brian Dollamore

Sidespersons: Jenny Jackson, Margaret Murray-Leslie

Crucifer: Sarah Kington

Server: Ros Bell

Reader: Jane Perry

Intercessor: Gordon Hughes

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Martha Clements

Coffee: Janet Warner, Rachel Short, Sheena Wilkins

6.30pm Evensong

Acting Warden: Sheena Wilkins

Sidesperson: Karen Grewcock

Sunday 1st December 2019-visit of Bishop Libby, bishop of Derby

Everyone is very warmly invited to a very special service on Advent Sunday where Bishop Libby will preside at our 10.30am Benefice Eucharist. This will be a wonderful day in the life of our parishes as we welcome our new bishop to the benefice. Please do come and hear Bishop Libby at the start of the church new year!

-Steve

Autumn Fair: A big thank you:

Many thanks to all who supported the Autumn Fair last week, a rough estimate of £1200 has been given to me by the Rector. A great effort by all the workers and the buyers. The money will go to church funds. Thank you again.

Social Committee

More helpers needed for the Sidespersons and Servers Rota and for the Coffee Rota:

We are very short of help on the above rotas, which will be brought out soon. If you could help us out by volunteering for one or the other (or both!) we would be very grateful. Full training will be given if needed.

Many thanks in advance, *Kate Landenberger and John Tatam*

BIG CLEAN!

Gordon Hughes is kindly going to clean the high up parts of the church during the week beginning 25th November. Therefore, I'm looking for as many volunteers as possible to help clean up the rest of the church after that. The 'big clean' will be at 9.30am on Friday 29th November. If you can help, please let me know or just turn up on the day. Many thanks, *Rachel Short*

Mothers' Union Advent Meditation:

Advent is a time and opportunity to prepare for the birth of Our Lord. A time to look back and a time to look forward; a time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas whilst being bombarded by the commercialisation of the High Street. It is good to take time out to reflect and think of others. Mothers' Union always holds an Ecumenical Advent Service and this year we will focus on the Moses Basket Project that many of you have so generously supported. Do come and join us in the Honner Room on **Tuesday 3rd December at 2pm.** Everyone is welcome.

Ros Bell

Rectory Parking:

Please do not park outside the Rectory without first speaking to Steve or Rachel to obtain permission. Many thanks. *Steve and Rachel*

Quiz(zez..)

This year the Choir is pleased to announce not one, but two quizzes for your delectation. These were launched at the Autumn Fair but there is still plenty of time to purchase an answer sheet and join in the fun, and Wendy and Clive will be pestering the congregation at the 10:30 service, and if we don't pester you, please come and pester us! Wendy's pictorial quiz needs to be completed by 15th December, while Clive is giving you until 5th January to

deal with his slightly more cerebral(!) offering. Recognising the intellectual prowess of the 8 o'clock congregation, we will leave copies at the back of church; please leave the fee (£2 in each case) in the envelopes. Endless hours of fun for all the family!

Clive Avery

Angels' Delight:

A somewhat diminished flock of angels assembled on Wednesday – perhaps the others were deterred by the cold weather although the church and the welcome were beautifully warm. Saint Christopher was saint of the day and after Steve's spirited demonstration of strength, Janet led an action-packed rendition of 'He's got the cars (lorries, aeroplanes, ships, motor-bikes etc. etc.) on the roads (in the sky, on the sea) in His hands.....He's got the whole world in His hands.' This acted as a powerful appetiser. A very small boy who had been eyeing up the empty table all morning, led the rush for the snacks. Afterwards, busy fingers made St. Christopher medallions to keep them safe on their way home and coloured and sorted various means of transport to stick on our display board (thank you, Carol, for the splendid central figure). Please do have a look at it. At our next meeting on December 4th, we shall get to know St. Lucy, the Swedish saint of Light.

Alison Gregory

Messy Christmas and Nativity Play:

We hope to recruit as many children as possible to be in our nativity play. (It's the day after Messy Christmas.) Please can you invite any friends, neighbours or relatives that you know to come to both. There are flyers at the back of church. Speaking parts rehearse at 9:30am, the rest come along at 10:20am to dress. I need to know special part requests by 1st December (Bishop Libby's visit). We still need volunteers for Messy Christmas, especially for helping to clear up afterwards. Any offers to Rachel Short or me, please.

Messy Christmas is 4 -5:30pm Sat 14 December

Nativity is performed near the start of the 10:30am service Sun 15 December

Rachel Coupe

Dower House Carols:

The Dower House Carols will be held this year on Monday 23rd December from 5.30 - 7pm. Tickets, available from Griselda will be £10 a head and all the proceeds will go directly to Melbourne Community Care. Payment can be made by cash or cheque with cheques made out to Melbourne Community Care. Big thanks to Simon Collins and the Parish Choir for taking the time to sing with us. Numbers, as usual, will be limited to first come first served so please get in touch with Griselda (email griseldakerr@btinternet.com is best) or in Church if you would like to put your name down for tickets. Thank you.

Griselda Kerr

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm – 3.30pm	Caring Hands
	7.30pm	Melbourne Male Voice Choir Practice
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
	7.30pm	12 bell ringing practice
Friday:	9.30am	Big Clean in church
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, Roo Hubbard, David Ingram, Betty Park, Carol Preston, 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 Joan Broughton, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Jeanne Mary Lidgate, Winnie Tipping, Pat Johnson and Fred German.

Next Week at Melbourne: Advent Sunday

8am	Holy Communion (Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins)
10.30am	Benefice All-Age Eucharist with Bishop Libby followed by Coffee (Sidespersons: Ros Bell, Gordon Hughes) (Coffee: Margaret Brackenbury, Annabel Needham, Steph Hughes)
6.30pm	Advent Carol Service (Sidespersons: Paddy & Joe Laban)

The Readings today:

First Reading: *Jeremiah 23.1-6*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

The Gospel Reading: *Luke 23.33-43*

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Additional Collect:

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

Gradual Hymn at 10.30am:

1. Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels, saints and nations sing
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary."*

2. King whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, King of Kings.

Angels, saints etc.

3. King most holy, King of truth,
Guide the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ thou King of glory bright
Be to us eternal light.

Angels, saints etc.

4. Shepherd-King, o'er mountains steep,
Homeward bring the wandering sheep;
Shelter in one royal fold
States and kingdoms, new and old.

Angels, saints etc.

5. Eucharistic King, what love
Draws thee daily from above.
Clad in signs of bread and wine;
Feed us, lead us, keep us thine.

Angels, saints etc.

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Recessional Hymn at 10.30am and Hymn at 6.30pm:

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:

Yours the glory....

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:

Yours the glory....

Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:

Yours the glory....

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:

Yours the glory....

(Tune: Guiting Power)

Revd. Canon Michael Saward (1932-2015)

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