

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 Second Sunday of Epiphany - 19th January 2020

8am **Holy Communion**

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

Readings: can be found on pages 5-7

Setting: *Cæsar St Mary's Mass*

Gradual Psalm: 40 vv. 1-12 (page 7)

Hymns: Lord of all your love's creation (page 8), 485 [302, 294]
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Anthem: Bethlehem Down *Peter Warlock*

Organ Voluntary: Gigue on 'Stuttgart' *David Schelat*

6pm **Ecumenical Service at Melbourne Baptist Church for
the week of Prayer for Christian Unity (No Evensong)**

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 - No Service

Smisby: 5.30pm – Revd Steve Short

Stanton: 11am – Dr Nick Gravestock

Ticknall: 10.30am – Revd Michael Rogers/Mrs Mary Hirst

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:**

8am Holy Communion

Sidespersons: Sue Dore, Ann Rafferty

Server: David Dore

Reader: Ann Nicholls

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church & Coffee

Acting Wardens: Kit Emery

Sidespersons: Carolyn Tasker, Nigel Tasker

Crucifer: Graham Truscott

Server: Kate Landenberger

Reader: Leighton Grimes

Intercessor: Gordon Hughes

Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Charlotte Hall

Coffee: Margaret Brackenbury, Maurice & Pam Starkey

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for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (No Evensong here)

Christian Unity Service – 6pm – Sunday 19th January:

Everyone is warmly invited to Melbourne Baptist Church **tonight** for the annual service for Christian Unity. It will be good to have as many representatives from the church as possible. This joint service has been organised by 'Churches Together in Melbourne' and it's a great way to meet members of the other churches. See you there!

Rachel Coupe

Ecumenical Youthwork Brainstorming Meeting:

On **Monday 27th January** there will be a meeting 6:30 – 7:45pm in the Athenaeum to discuss establishing youthwork in Melbourne on behalf of all

five churches. The meeting will be led by Alistair Langton, Diocesan Youth Adviser, with enthusiastic contribution from Burton Youth for Christ who run a very successful programme. Young people age 10-25 and anyone who can support in any way, including prayer are particularly encouraged to come. It would be good to have a strong representation from the Parish Church to help eat the doughnuts!
Rachel Coupe

Future Choir trips.....

Thanks to all those of you who supported our trips in 2019. The choir values greatly the company and support of the congregation and other friends on these occasions. Future dates are listed below.

Dates for 2020

- ② Saturday 4th April: daytrip to Ely
- ② Bank Holiday Monday, 25th May: daytrip to Lincoln
- ② Saturday 20th June: daytrip to Tewkesbury
- ② 25th and 26th July: Weekend residency at Truro Cathedral
- ② Sunday 25th October: services at Lichfield Cathedral

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!

Truro: we will need to finalise the accommodation for our weekend earlier than usual as it's High Season in Cornwall.

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 (07808 474236, simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or after services).

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Mark Powell:

Mark Powell thanks you for your prayers and good wishes. Happily, the results of various tests have shown that the cancer has not spread anywhere else and no further treatment is required. *Steve*

Angels' Delight:

Sixteen children (including three sets of twins) mustered on Wednesday for the first session of 2020. Steve gave a spirited rendition of the parable of the Lost Sheep. Every time the word 'sheep' was mentioned, there was a baa-rvellous response from children, parents and helpers. Next came a hunt for woolly sheep hidden round the church and then a well-earned snack. Ever

wondered what angels like to eat? Grapes, banana, cheese, raisins, crackers and cake is the answer! Craft activities included delightfully messy sponge-painting, using sheep stencils and a flock of cotton-woolly sheep for the AD board. Can you spot the one which was lost? Our next meeting is on Wednesday, February 5th.

Defibrillator:

The Friends of Melbourne Parish Church are delighted to report that the defibrillator we have been trying to get in place near the church over the past year has now been installed (on the wall of the Estate Office).

Our thanks go to the Parish, District and County Councils and Melbourne Hall for the purchase of the unit and to Alan Staley, who has very generously funded and arranged for its installation and electrical connection.

Let's hope our congregation and visitors to this part of our town never have cause to use it, but it's there if we/they do!

Gordon Hughes

Fun and Friendship Tour to Bruges and Ghent 2020:

Thank you to everyone who has supported the annual 'culture tour' and 'Wendy Walk' these past few years. I hope 'fun and friendship' is a good summary and that is all down to you. To that end I would like to invite you to consider this year's tour to the lovely cities of Bruges and Ghent. The usual arrangements apply e.g. executive coach, Channel Tunnel crossing and top quality hotel (The NH Hotel Bruges)

As you might be aware, Bruges and Ghent have much to offer the tourist with easy access to many cultural and spiritual experiences, which includes marvellous food e.g. Moules et frites, chocolate galore and if you happen to like beer, over 700 varieties to choose from! The transfer from Calais to Bruges is also relatively quick (1hr) making more time to enjoy each destination. If you would like to hear more about this tour, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can supply a full and detailed itinerary upon request.

Wendy Robinson email; wamsport@yahoo.co.uk or telephone 01530 810217 or 07790474889

MOTHERS' UNION NEWS:

It was good to receive an email from Derbyshire Refugee Solidarity to say that our donation of Moses baskets and additional items had been collected and were heading off for distribution wherever needed.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 4th February at 2:00pm in the Honner Room and Ann Barnard will reflect on some of her experiences of visiting Malaysia through her involvement with USPG. Do come along, we always welcome visitors to our meetings.

Ros Bell

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	2pm	Caring Hands (HR)
	7pm	Drum Corps Practice in church
	7.30pm	Male Voice Choir Practice (HR)
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	10am	Social Committee at the Rectory
	7.45pm	Choir Practice (SMH)
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
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, Mark Powell, John Rooks, 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, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Sid Ashman and Quintin Blood.

Next Week at Melbourne: Epiphany 3

8am **Holy Communion** (Sidespersons: Avril & Terry Harrison)

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

(Sidespersons: Jenny Jackson, Dale Jackson)

(Coffee: Kate Landenberger, Steph Hughes, Carolyn Tasker)

(Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Byrnece Turner)

6.30pm **Evensong** (Sidespersons: Paddy & Joe Laban)

The Readings today:

First Reading: *Isaiah 49.1-7*

Listen to me, O coastlands,

pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The Lord called me before I was born,

while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, 'You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'
But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God.'
And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
he says,
'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'
Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
'Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

The Gospel Reading: *John 1.29-42*

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you

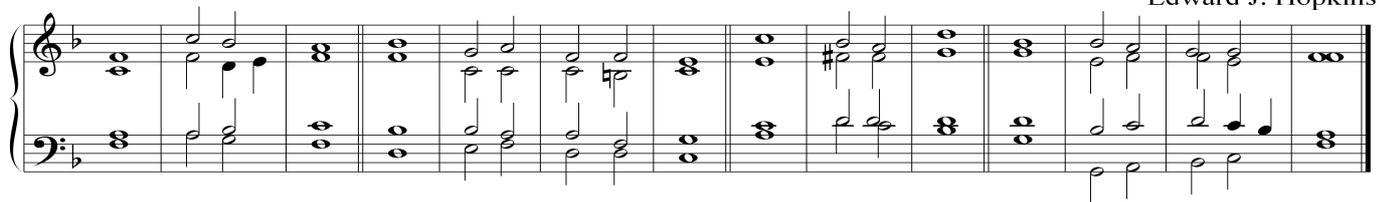
staying?’ He said to them, ‘Come and see.’ They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, ‘You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas’ (which is translated Peter).

Additional Collect:

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gradual Psalm at 10.30am: *Psalm 40.1-12*

Edward J. Hopkins



- 1 I waited | patiently • for the | Lord:
he inclined to | me and | heard my | cry.
- 2 He brought me out of the roaring pit * out of the | mire and | clay:
he set my feet upon a | rock and • made my | footing | sure.
- 3 He has put a new song in my mouth * a song of | praise • to our | God:
many shall see and | fear and • put their | trust • in the | Lord.
- 4 Blessed is the one who | trusts • in the | Lord:
who does not turn to the | proud that | follow a | lie.
- 5 Great are the wonders you have done O Lord my God *
How great your de- | signs for | us:
There is | none that | can be • com- | pared with you.
- 6 If I were to pro- | claim them • and | tell of them:
they would be | more than • I am | able • to ex- | press.
- 7 Sacrifice and offering you do | not de- | sire:
but | my ears | you have | opened;
- 8 Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin you have | not re- | quired:
then | said I, * | Lo I | come.
- 9 In the scroll of the book it is written of me that I should do your |
will • O my | God:
I delight to do it * your | law • is with- | in my | heart.
- 10 I have declared your righteousness in the | great • congre-|gation:
behold I did not restrain my lips and | that O | Lord you | know.
- 11 Your righteousness I have not hidden in my heart *

PTO

I have spoken of your faithfulness and | your sal- | vation:

I have not concealed your loving-kindness and | truth • from the | great
• congre-|gation.

12 Do not withhold your compassion from | me O | Lord:

let your love and your | faithfulness | always pre- | serve me.

Processional Hymn at 10.30am:

1. Lord of all your love's creation,
present in each time and place,
may this earthly house of worship
be a source of heavenly grace.
Spirit, who at Christ's baptizing
Came upon him as a dove,
come, renew for us that symbol,
seal us in God's faith and love.

2. Word of God, made flesh in Jesus,
help us read, mark, learn and feed
on your written word of power,
reaching to our every need.
For the preaching of the gospel,
making known your word to all,
Lord, we pray, and for the preachers
Humbly answering your call.

3. When we meet around your table,
Lord, be here in bread and wine,
real to us who find your presence
in the world as in this sign.
Christ, whose cross is foolish wisdom,
teach us sacrificial ways
to reveal your truth to strangers,
welcome them in pilgrims' praise.

4. Praise to God whose pow'r within us
helps us more than we can say,
in the church, and in Christ Jesus,
in each age, and day by day.
So we join in common worship,
Sharing in this house of prayer;
Come, Lord God, among your people:
May all say that 'God is there!' *(Tune: Abbot's Leigh)*