

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN MELBOURNE,  
SMISBY,  
STANTON-BY-BRIDGE AND TICKNALL

# THE BULLETIN

A weekly publication for the Benefice

25<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



## Services across the Benefice

**Melbourne** – 10.30am Parish Eucharist (Revd Michael Rogers)

**Smisby** – 5.30pm Evening Prayer (Revd Steve Short / Revd Alan  
Winfield)

**Stanton** – 11.00am Morning Prayer (Dr Nick Gravestock)

**Ticknall** – 9.15am Holy Communion (Revd Steve Short / Revd Alan  
Winfield)

Booking is required at Melbourne Parish Church but not at Smisby, Stanton or Ticknall.

To book your place at Melbourne please contact Rachel Short on 07747 898638 or at [rach.short27@gmail.com](mailto:rach.short27@gmail.com). Please provide names of all who wish to attend along with one phone number per bubble.

## **Bible Readings**

### **Collect**

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **Old Testament Reading: Acts 4.5-12**

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

## **Gospel Reading: John 10.11-18**

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## **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: Anne Brazier, Roo Hubbard, Bob Smith, Joan Tatam, Hanna King, Campbell Laird, Betty Baker, Christopher Browne and Christine Young. Those in Derby's hospitals and hospices. All at Pool Cottage. All who are suffering from Covid-19.

**Wednesday:** Our benefice and our diocese. For our bishops, Bishop Libby and Bishop Malcolm, and our cathedral dean, Peter.

**Thursday:** Our schools as they continue their new academic year. 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 remember those who have died recently and also those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Ruth Barkaway.

If there is anyone you know who would like to go on our prayer list or who would appreciate a phone call, do please contact Steve, one of the wardens or the parish office. Thank you.

### **Daily Hope from the Church of England**

It is very important to remember those who do not have access to the internet especially when it comes to sharing in public worship. Please do recommend Daily Hope to anyone you think would benefit from it.

**0800 804 8044**

A free phonenumber of hymns,  
reflections and prayers



## From the Rector

### Thy Kingdom Come

Traditionally, the nine days between Ascension Day and Pentecost are set aside for focussed prayer, 'praying earnestly for the Holy Spirit' to quote from the ordination service. It strikes me that particularly this year, these nine days are a wonderful and valuable opportunity for us, as a benefice, to soak ourselves in prayer as we prepare for Pentecost but also as we look forward and frame the future under God.

Here is some encouragement from our Bishops, Libby and Malcolm:

Dear Friends,

Alleluia! Christ is risen! In all the sorrows and challenges of these days, we nevertheless have this glorious hope. Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

With Ascension Day just four weeks away, Bishop Libby and I want to *encourage you all to plan for 'Thy Kingdom Come' when we shall pray eagerly for the Holy Spirit to equip us to proclaim the Kingdom of God afresh as good news for everyone.*

The past few years, in the days between Ascension Day and *Pentecost, 'Thy Kingdom Come' has taken on fresh significance a special time of prayer for the whole church, a movement both local and global, as followers of Jesus everywhere join to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit and for many to come to know the transforming love of Christ. We are each invited to pray for five others, that they too may come to know the joy of the Gospel. Surely this year, with all that has happened, it is all the more important for us to pray for God's blessing on our friends and neighbours?*

*'Thy Kingdom Come' need not be at all complicated – in fact the simpler the better, especially at the present time. Thy Kingdom Come resources prayers and booklets are available via the Thy Kingdom Come website:*

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/new-2021>

Where churches or groups of friends wish to arrange to pray together, in church or out of doors or on Zoom, the resources are

available, and come in various forms. On the national website there are also fantastic videos, games, and other prayer activities especially for use in schools or by families at home.

Meanwhile, during the ten days between Ascension and Pentecost +Libby and I have arranged to spend an hour or two quietly in each deanery, *'in situ' across the diocese, praying 'Thy Kingdom Come', for people in our local communities to know God's transforming love in Christ.*

In the meantime, may love of our risen Lord bring new joy and hope to us all, as well as to our families, neighbours, colleagues, and *friends. 'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven'.*

+Libby, +Malcolm

There will be prayer resources available to use during the 9 days for everyone who would like to take part and these will be ready to collect from our benefice churches in a few weeks' time as well as delivered to those currently on our bulletin distribution list. If you would prefer to look at the website and order your own resources, that is fine, too. 'Maranatha - Come, Holy Spirit!'

### **Alan's Ordination to the Priesthood**

God-willing, Alan Winfield, our assistant curate, will be ordained priest at a service in Derby Cathedral on Saturday 26th June (timings to be confirmed). We don't yet know if there will be able to be a large congregation present in the cathedral, more news anon. Please do pray for Alan, Sue and all their family as we all approach this very special day together.

### **Church of England Daily Prayer App**

Quite a number of us own smartphones now. Did you know that you can download (for free!) the Church of England's Daily Prayer App that will give you the complete texts (service and readings) for each day's Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer (Compline) in either contemporary or traditional language? The app has recently been updated to now include audio files for Morning and Evening Prayer each day (Contemporary language). This means

that there is now a virtual leader (and a congregation) for each service. This is a real gift when we may well be praying on our own. One of the pioneers behind the project is the Revd Catherine Williams who is one of my former colleagues back at Tewkesbury Abbey and Catherine's is one of the voices (along with her son, Harry) that you will hear leading worship. I warmly encourage you to try out the app if you are able or they can be followed online at: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

- Steve

## **Sunday Zoom 5.30 - 6.00pm**

Up to 20 of us have met over Zoom the past few Sundays and are keen to carry on meeting even though Church services have resumed. The past few weeks have been at 4.00pm but the general feeling is that it rather breaks into the afternoon, especially as we are now allowed more freedom to go out! Therefore, we are going to try it later so, please join **us this Sunday, 5.30 - 6.00pm and spread the word about the later time.** Just "make your drink and click on the link". There should be no need to use the Meeting ID and Passcode if you use the link.

Topic: Melbourne Benefice Zoom

Time: Apr 25, 2021 05:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81609665715?pwd=Vk5FdVhSZFAzaHpOWVIXV25PWtNqQT09>

Meeting ID: 816 0966 5715

Passcode: 5yv0JU

**If you have difficulty on the day, just call me on 07808 474236 and I will try to help.**

Best wishes,  
Simon Collins

## **Melbourne Parish Church "Framing the Future"**

Your Churchwardens and Church Council (PCC) have been busy! Over the early Spring we have been consulting together with contributions from the congregation and parish to gradually strengthen our Vision for the mission and ministry of Melbourne Parish Church. At the PCC meeting last month, it was clearly decided that strengthening team-working is the way forward to share God's Love together in Melbourne.

The greatly appreciated detailed suggestions and wide-ranging ideas of over 20 people will be carried forward and gradually developed and devolved to new teams in the next few months.

The PCC has appointed a "*Framing the Future*" Working Party which met for the first time at the end of March.

### **What will this approach involve?**

The aim is to provide a detailed structure of how seven new teams will work including their briefs, objectives and areas of interaction.

These specifics encompass how they relate both to each other, church officers and structures already existing in the wider parish and benefice.

### **When will this be done?**

More detailed proposals will be placed before the April meeting of the PCC.

### **How will things be different?**

"*Framing the Future*" includes an inclusive desire to harness both new approaches and volunteer vigour alongside our current practice and people portfolio as we continue to minister God's love.

## Who will be involved?

We are currently looking to understand further how a wide range of people can offer their contributions - watch this space!

*“Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the  
common good”  
1 Corinthians 12:7*

*Steve Short – Rector*

### **Seville Orange Marmalade**

New season Seville Orange Marmalade is now ready for sale along with Raspberry, Blackcurrant, Blackberry and Apple, Damson and Gooseberry Jam.

If you would like to make a purchase, please get in touch with me and I will make arrangements for collection or delivery strictly following all safety guidelines. All profits as always go to church funds.

Best Wishes

Maureen Anderson

email [maureen.anderson1953@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:maureen.anderson1953@yahoo.co.uk) Tel 863901

### **Christian Aid**

Christian Aid Week is fast approaching and volunteers are needed to help distribute envelopes. (10-16 May) This year there will be no collecting of the envelopes so it's just a matter of pushing them through letterboxes and a much easier task than in previous years. If you can help, please can you contact me on [rachel@coupe.me.uk](mailto:rachel@coupe.me.uk) or 01332 416152. Thank you!

Rachel Coupe

## Music suggestions

We're well into the Easter season now with 'Good Shepherd' Sunday this week. Psalm 23 is one of the most well-known and loved psalm texts and for the Church has been set to music as hymns, psalm settings, anthems and organ music over many years. I hope my selections reflect a small part of this wide range alongside other music for Eastertide. Judging by comments at Church and elsewhere last weekend, I think many were extremely moved by the funeral of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh. There were very poignant moments and the enforced smaller scale only seemed to amplify that. I thought the music, both instrumental and choral, was outstanding and the quartet of singers (3 lay clerks from the Chapel Choir and the wonderful soprano who is married to another lay clerk there) were magnificent. All of the music was Prince Philip's choice and indeed, two of the items were commissioned by him: Benjamin Britten's Jubilate in C for St George's Chapel and the guitarist/composer William Lovelady's Psalm 104 to mark the Duke's 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday. John Rutter has written a very interesting and detailed blog on the funeral music: <http://bit.ly/RoyalFuneralJohnRutter>.

A compilation of all of the music is on youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AH5scjkSZCM>

and the full BBC Coverage is available on the iplayer:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/m000vr51/the-funeral-of-hrh-the-prince-philip-duke-of-edinburgh>

Please keep in touch with any comments/suggestions:

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## Hymns

The King of Love my Shepherd is

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iu83WQdQ7-Y>

Faithful shepherd, feed me

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GNMXynVUZpg>

The Lord's my Shepherd (Brother James' Air)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vIEDdqmmEZs>

Love's redeeming work is done

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5uIWEbXgF0>

Walking in a Garden <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=txsQvkwQliQ>

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ezuuH7fKYo>

## **Choral Music**

John Rutter: The Lord is my Shepherd (Requiem)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W0tsuzM6h7M>

John Goss: These are they that follow the Lamb

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u\\_HDhegT8RI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_HDhegT8RI)

Chant by John Goss: Psalm 23

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZpJEYC-21A>

Howard Goodall: The Lord is my Shepherd (Dibley!)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLxdb3ov-zE>

John Taverner: Dum transisset Sabbatum I

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUBF7kNVlbY>

French trad. arr. Lindley: Now the green blade riseth

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_bwVEIxKp-0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_bwVEIxKp-0)

Handel: Worthy is the Lamb & Amen (Messiah)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3x2fSxOeij4>

## **Organ Music**

M.A. Charpentier: Trumpet Tune (Te Deum Prelude)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ui5\\_MP3Vws](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ui5_MP3Vws)

Johann Pachelbel: Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XPTdBOLw2bk>

Jean-Francois Dandrieu: Offertoire "O filii et filiae"

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX0S6LkU\\_GY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX0S6LkU_GY)

Johann Heuschkel, Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NE302SpDNT0>

Noel Rawsthorne: Two versets on Brother James' Air

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NmbKGEITeO8>

Alexandre Guilmant: Offertoire sur "O filii et filiae"

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-Yo\\_kQDNMw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-Yo_kQDNMw)

With all best wishes,

Simon Collins

Director of Music



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