

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

The Bulletin

A weekly publication for the Benefice

13th March 2022
2nd Sunday of Lent

Services across the Benefice

Melbourne

8.00am Holy Communion – Revd Alan Winfield
Reader – Ann Nicholls

10.30am Parish Eucharist – Revd Alan Winfield
Sidesperson – Pam Starkey
Server – Mary Bolton
Reader – Alison Gregory
Intercessor – David Smith

6.30pm Junior Church – Byrnece Turner, Isobel Hall
Choral Evensong – Revd Alan Winfield
Introit: Call to remembrance Richard Farrant
Hymns: 439(i), 69, 65(AMR 91i)
Canticles: Tallis Short Service
Anthem: *Insanae et vanae curae* Haydn

Responses: Ayleward
Psalm: 135 vv.1-14

Organ Voluntary: 5 part Fantasia in C
minor (BWV562) J.S.Bach

*Insanae et vanae curae invadunt mentes nostras,
saepe furore replent corda, privata spe,
Quid prodest O mortalis conari pro mundanis,
si coelos negligas,
Sunt fausta tibi cuncta, si Deus est pro te.*

*Vain and raging cares invade our minds,
Madness often fills the heart, robbed of hope,
O mortal man, what does it profit to endeavour at
worldly things,
if you should neglect the heavens?
If God is for you, all things are favourable for you.*

Smisby

5.30pm Evening Prayer – Canon David Edwards

Stanton

At Swarkestone

Ticknall

9.15am Holy Communion – Revd Michael Rogers

Welcome!

**Welcome to all worshipping here today with a special welcome
to those who are visitors or newcomers.**

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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



Bible Readings

Collect

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.'

Gospel Reading: Luke 13.31-end

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way,

because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem.”
Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, “Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.” ’

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A pattern for daily prayer, so that at home or at church we can pray together:

Monday: God’s Creation.

Tuesday: Those who have asked for our prayers: Anne Brazier, Roo Hubbard, Bob Smith, Hanna King, Campbell Laird, Christopher Browne, Christine Young, Nadine Worthington, Revd Steve Short, Angie Heywood, Anna and Claire.

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, our Cathedral Dean, Peter and Area Dean, Mike.

Thursday: Our schools. The church worldwide.

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 Bill Shone, Harold Worthington, Hedley Needham, Charles Edward Osbond and Michael Blood.

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 our Curate, Revd Alan Winfield. Thank you.

Good News!

Following the meeting with the Acting Archdeacon, Steve is now beginning his phased return to ministry. The Occupational Health report states he should start with 4 hours a day, 3 days a week. As he remains vulnerable to infection, he should only meet with a maximum of 3 people at a distance of 2m in a well-ventilated room. It has, therefore, been decided that he will start doing some preaching at services working up to taking some of the smaller services in April. He will also begin to re-engage with parishioners on an individual basis or with small groups as well as recommencing his role as a training incumbent, helping to train and mentor his curate, Alan.

We would ask that you respect his space and understand that he will not be able to stay and chat after services. It is also recommended that people meeting up with Steve should do a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) beforehand. If people have difficulty accessing these Steve has a supply and can let you have one.

Revd Dr Mike Firbank
Area Dean

I want to add my thanks to my diocesan, deanery and benefice colleagues for their help and assistance in helping to guide my phased return.

As I slowly reengage with ministry again, I also want to pass my thanks to everyone across our benefice for their kindness, support and prayers over the duration of my illness and not just for me but also for Rachel, Sophie and Benjamin. I would ask for your prayers to continue over these next months as my phased, gradual return continues and develops as, hopefully, my recovery from the chemotherapy continues, too.

I write this as we continue our Lenten journey, often under the shadow of the cross, but also knowing that an empty tomb, the gateway to eternity, awaits us. I am very grateful to the ministry team for all their work in preparing our Lent courses and devotional material and I warmly commend their endeavours to you for the work of a 'good and holy' Lent.

May God continue to bless you.
Steve

Face Masks

Whilst Government guidance has changed regarding Covid restrictions and masks are no longer required please feel free to wear one and social distance if that feels more comfortable for you - especially if you (as a significant minority of the population are) are in the more vulnerable category. Masks are provided at the back of church.

Revd Dr Mike Firbank
Area Dean

“What Are You Looking For”

- **an art exhibition in the church during Lent**

This exhibition, featuring paintings and stitched textiles by local artists Michael Cook and Michelle Holmes, has been specially designed for our wonderful building and is based on seven questions asked by Jesus in the gospels. For each there is a painting and a textile piece, hung in relation to one another and in conversation with the building. The exhibition will run from Wednesday 9th March to Sunday 27th March and will be open from 9 am to 5 pm daily. Admission is free.

We are planning various events to complement this event so watch this space for further details. If you could help with some stewarding to support Michael and Michelle this would be much appreciated so scan your diaries and see if you can offer a few hours. Please let Jo Glaze know on 01332 694542 if you're able to help. This is our first opportunity after lock downs to really open up to the wider community. Posters and flyers are available so please spread the news.
Ros Bell / Gordon Hughes

Lent Lunches

Lent lunches continue this Wednesday at 12 noon in church. We will be serving a simple ploughman's lunch and hot drink for £5. The money we raise will go to support the Kolkata Cathedral Relief Service.

Platinum Jubilee 'Wendy Walk' 2022

Saturday 11 June 2022 (weekend following the Jubilee Bank Holiday)

Meet: 13.30hr for 14.00hr departure

Route: 5 miles

Destination: Rutland Water/Hambleton Peninsular

Supper: The Admiral Hornblower Oakham 17.30hr-18.00hr

If you would like to join me for this beautiful Spring walk, please let me know before beginning May if possible. I can offer you 3 options.

Option 1) Meet/walk/supper.

Option 2) Meet/explore (own devices) /supper.

Option 3) Supper only and meet at Admiral Hornblower early evening.

Another option would be to meet and walk only. I only need to know if you would like supper. I have pre-arranged a group booking on our behalf but will require numbers. There is also a £10.00 deposit and menu choices to be pre-decided but nearer the time of the walk.

I have an itinerary (with all route directions) should you be interested.

Please ask me

Wendy Robinson

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Easter Cards

Just to let everyone know there is a small selection of Easter cards on the bookstall. This is the first time we have sold Easter cards and if successful we will add more to the stall in the weeks before Easter. We would just like to thank everyone who supports the bookstall both members of the congregation and visitors enabling the stall to make a contribution to church funds.

Maureen & Beth Anderson

Silent Bells

The bells at Melbourne were last overhauled in 1996, and with regular ringing for practices and services some of the mechanisms are now beginning to wear out. We have therefore contracted Taylors of Loughborough (who cast the heaviest eight bells in the 1880s) to refurbish the clappers and pulley wheels. As a consequence, the bells will be silent from the 11th March for three to four weeks. It is hoped, assuming there are no delays, that we will be back ringing again for Easter Sunday. Once this work is complete, we are also looking to recruit some volunteers to join the band. Our numbers are down and we need to expand the band to keep the bells ringing for the years to come. If you would be interested in learning to ring and joining the band, then please contact Christian

at: learn2ring@melbourneparishchurch.co.uk / 01332 988664.

Christian Peckham

Messy Church / Experience Easter

Hot Cross Buns appeared in the shops straight after Christmas and Easter eggs followed hot on the heels of Valentine's Day but Melbourne Parish Church is not to be outdone... On Saturday, April 2nd we will host Messy Church from 4-6pm and on Tuesday April 5th we will welcome Year 2 from the Infant School for Experience Easter. This is the year group which missed their Experience Christmas Day due to COVID. We are offering you the privilege and pleasure of helping with these two events. On the 2nd children will come with parents, grandparents or other carers to find out about Easter through games, crafts and worship. Volunteers are needed to supervise a craft activity or to prepare and serve refreshments and to help to clear up afterwards. On the 5th, children will come with their teachers and some parents to immerse themselves in the story of Holy Week and Easter. Each volunteer will be allocated a part of the story (e.g. Palm Sunday) and through displays and interactive story-telling help to bring it to life. The children, with their teachers, will travel round the six stations. There is plenty of guidance for volunteers about what to say and how to arrange the 'station'.

Please talk to me or to Ros Bell if you want to know more or if you know you would like to help. It is a great joy to welcome children into our church and to share our faith with them.

Alison Gregory

Contactless Payment Device

We have the facility to receive church donations via credit or debit card using the “CollecTin” contactless payment device installed by the North Door / Bookstall. If any one wishes to know more or has any issues using the device, please contact Clive Avery in the first instance.

The Friends of Melbourne Parish Church present: The Last Seven Words Op. 51 by Joseph Haydn on 18 April (Easter Monday, 7 for 7.30 pm)

After a sold-out concert last year, international musician and viola player Graham Oppenheimer, again brings a group of friends to perform in Melbourne Parish Church. He welcomes his international colleagues, who between them have performed throughout the world and have played in orchestras including the CBSO, Halle, English Chamber Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra of Europe and Academy of St Martin in the Fields London.

Joseph Haydn, seen by many as the father of the string quartet, wrote his atmospheric masterpiece ‘The Seven Last Words of Christ’ in 1785 for an Easter performance in Cadiz Cathedral.

Katie Stillman and Owen Cox, violins
Graham Oppenheimer, viola
Paul Grennan, cello

Tickets are £10 each and can be purchased through Wegottickets by following this link: www.wegottickets.com/event/538162/ (there is a £1 booking fee). A small number of printed tickets will be available for those without internet access or capability - please call Carolyn Tasker on 01332 864940 or email her on carolyntasker@hotmail.co.uk.

Gordon Hughes

The week ahead...

Tuesday	7.00pm	Bellringing practice
Wednesday	9.00-11.00am 12noon 7.15pm 7.30pm	Angels' Delight Lent Lunch in Church Volunteer Enabling Team Meeting Choir practice
Thursday	9.15am 11.00am 7.30pm	Holy Communion Lent Group at Ticknall Lent Group at Melbourne (Honner Room)



A series of five sessions looking at different aspects of our Christian journey during Lent.

No need to book, just turn up.

MORNING SESSIONS AT TICKNALL CHURCH

- 10th March 11.00 a.m. Coming to faith and wholeness
- 17th March 11.00 a.m. Does being a Christian make a difference?
- 24th March 11.00 a.m. How do we grow in understanding?
- 31st March 11.00 a.m. How do we keep in touch with Jesus?
- 7th April 11.00 a.m. How do we deal with problems in life?

EVENING SESSIONS AT THE HONNER ROOM, MELBOURNE

- 10th March 7.30 p.m. Coming to faith and wholeness
- 17th March 7.30 p.m. Does being a Christian make a difference?
- 24th March 7.30 p.m. How do we grow in understanding?
- 31st March 7.30 p.m. How do we keep in touch with Jesus?
- 7th April 7.30 p.m. How do we deal with problems in life?

Matters Musical

Melbourne Evening Services

Our monthly Choral Evensong continues tonight at 6.30p.m. **Other dates are April 17 (Easter Sunday), May 8, June 12 and July 10.** Please do note the dates and come along particularly if you haven't been before. It is a perfect service for inviting a friend to join you as it enables people to engage with it in their own way, offering space and time to pause in a busy world. **Please note also that the usual Passiontide service of Music & Readings returns on Sunday April 3rd at 6.30p.m. for the first time since 2019.**

Compline for Lent

We are planning a Sung Compline for Lent on a Wednesday evening at 9.15p.m., hopefully on 23rd March. We will be able to confirm the date in next week's Bulletin. If you weren't able to be at the last one for Candlemas or just want to see what the service is about, it is available on the Church Facebook page.

Weekly music suggestions

Here are my music selections for today, the Second Sunday of Lent.

Hymns

Take up thy cross

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjKfE0Gb6nA>

The Kingdom of God is justice and joy

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

Be thou my guardian and my guide

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kuirBAKHc5g>

Will you come and follow me

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnXOEUS7BBM>

Jesu, grant me this, I pray

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uDpNMdmI05Y>

O Jesus, I have promised

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9pjAnOf_Qd4

Choral Music

Richard Shephard: A new commandment

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZmnodeM0BNs>

Farrant: Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VbRn0oJESXU>

Handel: Lord I trust thee

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4esjh8zGBMQ>

Philip Moore: It is a thing most wonderful

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOUCvFp_8RM

Richard Lloyd: View me, Lord

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T-B8wB4Uu7M>

S.S.Wesley: Wash me throughly

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0r3BkuxjD6k>

Organ Music

J.S.Bach: Jesu, meine Freude (BWV713)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WAmI0dTMWkl>

Thalben Ball: Elegy in Bb

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UplqwpQvvi0>

Howells: Master Tallis' Testament

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SWeclTcNNV8>

Krebs: Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK27NHUp5ek>

Karg-Elert: Jesu, meine Freude

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rNI2IJcOPpc>

Kenneth Leighton: Aus der Tiefe

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

Please do keep in touch: 07808 474236 or simon.e.collins@btinternet.com

With very best wishes,

Simon Collins, *Director of Music*

The Choral Road 2022.....

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

- Saturday 9th April: daytrip to Ely
- Bank Holiday Monday, 2nd May: daytrip to Hereford
 - Saturday 14th May: daytrip to Gloucester
- 28th and 29th May: Weekend residency at Durham Cathedral
All our coaches have a toilet.

Sign-up notice is now up for the trip to Ely.

We value greatly the support of the congregation and other friends on our trips and are looking forward to singing at these Cathedrals, all of which are return visits after invitations received last time.

The Ely Coach is £20 per seat and leaves at 8.30a.m.

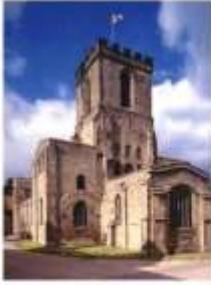
PLACES TO SEE IN ELY

**Ely Cathedral,
Octagon Tour,
Stained Glass Museum,
take a River Trip,
Jubilee Gardens,
Oliver Cromwell's House,
Cherry Hill Park,**

Waterside Antiques Centre - the largest in East Anglia.

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*



Donations to Support the Maintenance of Melbourne Parish Church

We appreciate that not everyone uses cash these days, so we now have 3 different ways you can make a donation

1. Via the Contactless Donation Device by the Church South Door / Bookstall
2. Via a SmartPhone (Give A Little)

Please use the QR code below or go to the web site: tiny.one/mpc-donations



3. Via Text Msg, you can text MELBPCC to*



70331 for a £3 Donation
70970 for a £5 Donation
70191 for a £10 Donation

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