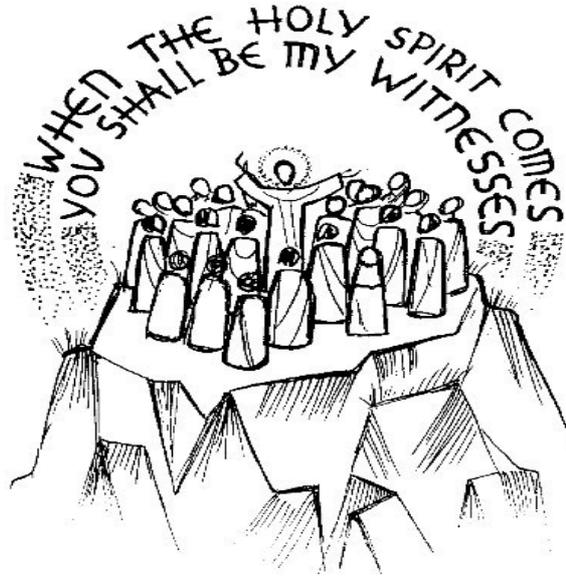


The United Benefice of the parishes of Melbourne,
Smisby, Stanton by Bridge and Ticknall



The Bulletin

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The Sunday after Ascension Day - 13th May 2018

The Seventh Sunday after Easter

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Readings: pages 7/8

Introit: The Lord ascendeth up on high *Praetorius*

Setting: *Rawsthorne* Festive Eucharist

Hymns: 296, 132, 446 [128, 131] 332

Anthem: I will not leave you comfortless *Titcomb*

Organ Voluntary: March on Handel's 'Lift up your heads'

Guilmant

6pm Christian Aid Service at the Baptist Church

No Evensong here tonight

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 Michael Rogers
6.30pm – No Service

Smisby: 5.30pm – Canon David Edwards

Stanton: 10.30am – At Swarkestone

Ticknall: 9.15am – Revd Steve Short



Taking responsibility for Church life today:

8am Holy Communion

Sidespersons: Karen Grewcock, John Tatam

Server: John Tivey

Reader: Ann Nicholls

10.30am Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee

Sidespersons: Jenny Jackson, Ken Gibson

Crucifer: Brian Dollamore

Server: Jo Glaze

Reader: Janet Warner

Intercessor: Alison Gregory

Junior Church: Bronwen Truscott, Mary Bolton

Coffee: Mary Bolton, Cliff & Janet Warner

6pm Christian Aid Service at the Baptist Church. No Evensong here.

Christian Aid Week 2018 runs from 13th - 19th May:

The annual Christian Aid Service will be held at the Baptist Church at 6pm tonight. All are welcome!

Experience Pentecost:

On Tuesday 22nd May the Year 1 pupils at Melbourne Infants School will be coming to church to 'Experience Pentecost' There will be six tableaux for them to see, hearing a part of the story at each station. We hope that this will be an interesting visit for them and that they will want to visit again!

Rachel Coupe

Choir on the Road 2018

- Bank Holiday Mon, 28th May: daytrip to St Albans
- 25th and 26th August: Weekend at Chichester, West Sussex
- Saturday 27th October: daytrip to Peterborough via Stamford

Please see Simon to sign up for St Albans

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

The St Albans Coach is £17 per seat and leaves at 8.45a.m.

Chichester: we are sorting out the accommodation for our weekend at the moment. 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

(simon.e.collins@btinternet.com or 01543 258777).

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Coffee arrangements:

The trial with the urn was so successful and we received so many positive comments, it has been decided to continue to serve drinks from the urn rather than use the flasks with their associated wastage and washing up! Please bear with us each week as those on the rota get used to the new arrangements. There was a 'biscuit hunt' but that had the advantage of moving folk away from the serving area! Thank you for your comments and encouragement.

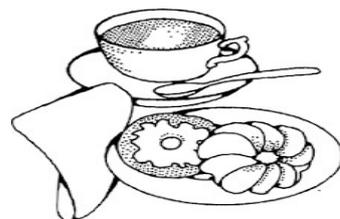
Janet Warner and Carolyn Tasker

Sunday Teas: 2.30pm - 5pm in the Honner Room

Sunday Teas have now begun in earnest once more, every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday from now right through to Festival weekend. Carolyn Tasker has finalised the rota but would be happy to hear from anyone who can offer help either by baking a cake,

serving on the day or washing up. The more the merrier! Please come along to support the venture so that we can raise a good amount for church funds and for charity.

Social Committee





**Bring and Share picnic in the Rectory Garden:
Next Sunday, 20th May starting at 12 noon after the
10.30am service for Pentecost:** Join us for this
special picnic to celebrate Pentecost. Sunday Teas
will also be served that day so you could make an
afternoon of it. Please bring a chair if you have one.
Free entry to all. **We would like an idea of numbers**

**so if you're planning to come, please let one of the Committee know (names
below).** *Many thanks, Kate Landenberger*



Garden Fete: 9th June from 2pm - 4pm:

This year we have moved the Garden Party to June 9th
to make the most of the better weather (hopefully).

The Infant School Choir will be performing for us
during the afternoon and there will be lots of games
and stalls to look around plus the ever popular Teas.

Please mark the date in your diaries and begin to sort
out raffle prizes, paperbacks and bottles for the tombola. No bric-a-brac!
We would also be very grateful for help to set up gazebos and stalls and for
help to clear away afterwards. Cakes small and large
are also needed for the teas.

If you could offer help or have any great ideas for
raising funds for the church, we would love to hear
from you.



Social Committee: Sheena Wilkins, Linda Latchford, Joanna Hocknell,
Carolyn Tasker, Janet Warner, Kate Landenberger and the Rector.

Macmillan Cancer Support Event:

Join us for The Big Breakfast, Big Afternoon Tea and Big Pint to raise funds
for Macmillan Cancer Support. Good food and drink available all day plus
screenings of the Royal Wedding and FA Cup Final. Saturday May 19th 2018
at the Blue Bell Pub and garden of the Senior Citizens Centre. Thank you for
your donations already received. *Karen Grewcock*

*A New Flag for the Church? As you may have noticed the flag pole has been refitted
and the Flag is flying once again, however, it looks a bit weather-worn . Would
anyone like to contribute towards a new flag? Donations can be put in a Gift Aid
envelope and marked Flag Donation and put in the collection or handed to the
Treasurer. Many thanks. Allan Jacques*

A Date for the diary - Thursday 28th June, 7.30 pm in Melbourne Parish Church:

All are warmly invited to a special (sung) Eucharist to mark the 10th anniversary of my Ordination to the Priesthood.

Fr Charles Whitney from Tewkesbury Abbey will be preaching (some of the choir may remember Charles from our recent trip to Tewkesbury) and, if the weather is good, there will be refreshments on the rectory lawn following the service; in the church if wet! *Steve*

Noticeboards - Work in progress:

I've begun to re-organise the noticeboards within Church so if you're looking to find out when you're on duty, or on coffee, teas etc, those rotas are now on the board behind the sidesmen's table which I will refer to as the 'Church Life' board.

Official notices such as safeguarding remain by the south door, along with posters for events. I will be putting up some of the photographs that were on the 'Welcome' board, as a temporary measure, on the Church Life board.

Temporary in that they'll cover up marks on the backing paper, but what I really would like is group photos. So could each organisation/group take a photo of members and either email it to me or give me a 6" x 4" print. If you provide me with basic details of when and where you meet and a contact number I can include these on that board.

Only a couple of people responded when I asked for suggestions about the noticeboards so I'm just getting on with it! But if you do have further suggestions, please tell me. *Janet Warner*

Friends Events:

Friday 8th June 2018: The Accidental Anarchist - a film introduced by Carne Ross (7.30pm in the church)

This evening's subject could not be more relevant: fake news, the new Cold War, conspiracy theories....

We will be showing the short film *The Accidental Anarchist*.

Carne Ross was a career diplomat who believed western democracy could save us all. But after the Iraq war he became disillusioned and resigned. This film traces Carne's worldwide quest to find a better way of doing things - from a farming collective in Spain, to Occupy Wall Street to Rojava in war-torn Syria - as he makes the epic journey from government insider to anarchist.

Tickets are £5 (£3 to Friends' members). Why not arrive early and enjoy a glass of something on the Rectory lawn overlooking Melbourne Pool? Contact Gordon Hughes on 07837 592 596 or through gordonhughes007@btinternet.com.

Friday 29th June 2018: Horrockses Fashions in the 1940s and 1950s - an interactive talk by Dr. Christine Boydell (7.30pm in the church)

Audience members are invited to bring along any Horrockses Fashions they own, and/or photographs of family members wearing their Horrockses in the 1940s and 1950s.

Tickets are £3 (no charge for Friends' members). Once again there will be drinks on the Rectory Lawn. Contact Gordon Hughes on 07837 592 596 or through gordonhughes007@btinternet.com.

Sunday 15th July: We are joined for a picnic lunch by the Friends of St Martin's church in Bilborough, Nottingham, who will spend the afternoon looking around our church, Melbourne Hall Gardens and Melbourne itself, ending with Choral Evensong at 6.30 pm. We encourage as many of our members as possible to join us in welcoming some like-minded people from the other side of Nottingham. More details to follow.

Together: Issue 1 of the new, free diocesan magazine, 'Together' has arrived in church. Please be sure to pick one up from the sidesmen's table at the back.

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	11.30am	Funeral of Frank Potts in Church
	2pm-3.30pm	Caring Hands
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	9am - 11am	Angels' Delight
	2pm	Funeral of Richard Heath in Church
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
Friday:	10.45am	Funeral of June White at Bretby
Saturday:	4.30pm	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, Madge Limbert, Tom Mills, Vicky Murray, Betty Park, Ruth 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 Horace Percy James-Davies, Leonora Wilkins, Margaret Stevens, Frederick Tipping and Harold Pipes.

Next Week at Melbourne: Pentecost

8am **Holy Communion**

(Sidespersons: Joan Pass, Joy Hill)

10.30am **All-Age Festival Eucharist and Coffee followed by
Bring and Share Picnic on the Rectory lawn**

(Sidespersons: Margaret Murray-Leslie, Griselda Kerr)

(Coffee: Griselda Kerr, Maurice & Pam Starkey)

6.30pm **Choral Evensong and Solemn Te Deum**

(Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Acts 1.15-17, 21-end*

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Gospel Reading: *John 17.6-19*

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Additional Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

