

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 Birth of John the Baptist - Trinity 4 - 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018

8am **Holy Communion**

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

**Readings:** pages 8/9

**Introit:** Hail Glorious Spirits, heirs of light *Tye*

**Setting:** *Rutter/ Eleanor Daley* Missa Brevis No. 4

**Hymns:** God has spoken (p.10), 12, Last of the great prophetic (p.12) [The great forerunner (p.11), 168] Thanks be to God (p.11)

**Anthem:** This is the record of John *Orlando Gibbons*

**Organ Voluntary:** Grand Choeur *Theodore Salomé*

6.30pm **Evensong**

**Hymns:** 168, 3, Last of the great prophetic (page 12), 12

**Psalm:** 82

**Organ Voluntary:** Toccata in Seven *John Rutter*

**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/  
Revd Jason Kennedy

6.30pm – Dr Nick Gravestock

**Smisby:**

5.30pm – Canon David Edwards

**Stanton:**

11am – Revd Canon Tony Barnard

**Ticknall:**

9.15am – Revd Margaret Jacques



## Taking responsibility for Church life today:

**8am**

**Holy Communion**

**Sidespersons:** Joy Hill, John Tatam

**Server:** Karen Grewcock

**Reader:** Paddy Laban

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

**Sidespersons:** Janet Warner, David Smith

**Crucifer:** Paul Fletcher-Read

**Server:** Jo Glaze

**Reader:** Jackie Godfrey

**Intercessor:** Linda Latchford

**Junior Church:** Rachel Coupe, Rachel Hill

**Coffee:** Mary Bolton, Sheena Wilkins, Margaret Murray-Leslie

**6.30pm**

**Evensong**

**Sidespersons:** Paddy & Joe Laban

## Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June – 10 years a priest!

Just a final reminder for what I hope and pray will be a very special service on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30 pm in the parish church at Melbourne.

Everyone is warmly invited for food, fellowship and worship! There will be fantastic music and great hymns so that we can work up an appetite for Prosecco and cake on the rectory lawn following the service (in the church if wet!).

Every blessing and hope to see you there,

Steve

**A very warm welcome to Reverend Jason Kennedy, diocesan Missioner, who will be preaching for us at the 10.30am service this morning.**

**Sunday Teas: 2.30pm – 5pm in the Honner Room** every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday from now right through to Festival weekend. Please keep coming for a cuppa to support us.



### **The Revd Jason Kennedy:**

The Revd Jason Kennedy, who is our Diocesan Missioner, is coming to work with the PCC and wider congregation on what God might be calling our church to be like into the future – our collective vision. Jason came to talk to the PCC on Thursday evening and today will preach to the whole congregation. I know Jason very well and have worked with him over quite a few years now. Here's some words of introduction from Jason:

*So, who am I? I'm the Diocesan Missioner for Derby Diocese, which means that my job is to encourage and help churches and deaneries across the diocese to reach out to their communities with the love of God and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with them – both in word and action. It's a job I love, as I get to work with all sorts of different churches in all sorts of different places. I've been in this role since 2014, but I've also seen life from the other side of the fence! I became a Christian some thirty years ago and I've been ordained since 1998, serving as a parish priest for nearly 15 years in a range of different parishes. I'm married to Lesley, I have two grown up children, one grandchild (and one more on the way!) I live in Derby and, when I'm not working, I love films, reading and walking.*

### **Garden Fete total:**

The total raised for the Garden Fete was £1090, which was a wonderful amount raised in just two hours. Many thanks to all who helped with their time, talents and hard work. *Social Committee*

### **Churches Together Picnic Sat 30th June**

Christians of all denominations are warmly welcome to come to the idyllic Melbourne Rectory garden from **12 noon to 2pm on Saturday 30th June**. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet friends from different churches in the local area. Bring your own picnic to eat. A most enjoyable event to enjoy with good company and family friendly games to enjoy.

### **Probus Trip:**

Melbourne Probus Club will be visiting Worcester on **Monday 23rd July** leaving Castle Square at 9am and is expected to return about 6.30pm. Seats are available at £16 per person. Contact John Williams on 863854 or Terry Harrison on 862013 to reserve your place. *Terry Harrison*

## **Mercia Deanery News:**

Please have a look at the June Deanery News magazine on the noticeboard. There is a full page spread on Melbourne on page 4. Deanery synod met on the 13th June and heard that Deaneries exist to enable ministry and mission, helping the churches by sharing resources. Our deanery is prioritising prayer, sharing ideas, the elderly and young people and this will be reflected in the future training offered. Coming up soon is a **Deanery Prayer Afternoon at Melbourne Parish Church 2 - 4:30pm on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July**. There will be interactive prayer stations, children's activities (2-4pm), cake and drinks (2 - 3:30pm) and a short reflective service at 4:15pm. Curious to find out more about prayer? Please come along and enjoy the opportunity to enrich your prayer life with some stimulating ideas to try at home.

You will be pleased to hear that Derby is now an Eco Diocese. The Board of Education has set up a 'Multi-Academy Trust' which is proving to be a very attractive option for our Church Schools. The new responsibilities necessitate a change to the constitution. Area Deans will recommend members with the right skill sets. Derby Cathedral School will be opening in September with Rosalie Emery as one of the first pupils. Congratulations, Rosalie on being a trailblazer!

The meeting was addressed by David Meredith and Gareth Greenwood, Parish Resource Officer and Community Project Development Officer respectively. They both offered support and advice to Treasurers, including The Parish Giving Scheme, Parish Funding Programme, Stewardship Campaigns and freeing up restricted funds. There is an initiative to increase the footfall to churches via a strategic buildings review and invited churches to apply to the £1 million Raymond Ross fund for developing buildings.

*Rachel Coupe*

## **The fifth mark of mission:**

At the recent Diocesan Synod (don't let those words put you off!) in Danesmoor, near Clay Cross, something of a historic decision was taken. The Synod recognised the seriousness and urgency of the ecological threats to humankind and voted unanimously to step up efforts around the fifth mark of mission - care for God's Earth - by adopting a programme developed by A Rocha.

A Rocha UK (A Rocha - meaning rock) has developed Eco Church - an award scheme for churches in England and Wales who want to demonstrate that the gospel is good news for Creation. Eco Church challenges and equips us better to care for God's world in all areas of our lives together. Individual churches register at [www.ecochurch.arocha.org.uk](http://www.ecochurch.arocha.org.uk) which provides both resources and incentives.

Award-winning churches receive a certificate to mark their achievement and have the option of purchasing (at cost) an award plaque fashioned from recycled church pews to display on their premises.

In Derby Diocese, St John the Evangelist Mickleton has already earned a bronze plaque and the following parishes are registered and working towards an award: Holy and Undivided Trinity Edale, Belper St Peter, Belper Christ Church, St Swithun Belper, Belper St Mark, St Barnabas Derby, All Saints South Wingfield, St Mary's Church Crich, Derby Cathedral.

Developing as an Eco church, and contributing thereby to the Diocesan ambition could involve:

our worship, our use of energy, use of water, travel, wildflowers around the church instead of grass, use of plastic, use of money, our intercessions, what we throw away, our cleaning products, our shopping, our sermons, our bulletin, the food we eat, our mission partners, the example we set to our friends and neighbours, our choices... The scheme puts the environment much higher up the agenda, suggesting that we apply the principles to every decision, large or small...

Are we ready to do that here? Or are we part of the unfolding global ecological disaster?

*Graham Truscott*

### **A Friends of Melbourne Parish Church Event:**

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

Dr. Boydell is a Senior Honorary Research Fellow at De Montfort University, a design historian with a special interest in the history of twentieth century fashion and textiles.

Horrockses Fashions was one of the most well respected ready-to-wear labels of the late 1940s and 1950s, concentrating on quality women's day and evening wear, beach clothes and housecoats, adding children's wear to the list in 1949/50. Horrockses Fashions could be purchased in most towns and cities in Britain, and were exported widely. With a price tag of between £4 to £7 for an off-the-peg cotton summer dress, they were considered expensive. For many young women this was a week's wages. By gaining a reputation for the successful combination of practicality, glamour and easy-care, Horrockses Fashions became sought after by women everywhere.

*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). 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](mailto:gordonhughes007@btinternet.com).**

## **Whistlewood music festival Saturday 30th June 2018:**

The ever-popular music festival will take place on 30 June 3pm - 11pm (camping entry from 2.30pm)

Location: Whistlewood Comon, The Common, Melbourne, DE73 8DH

Tickets: Adults £7.50 in advance (online or from Forteys, High Street in Melbourne) or £10 on the door, Children 5 - 18 years £5, Under 5s are free.

[www.shop.whistlewoodcommon.org](http://www.shop.whistlewoodcommon.org)

10 local bands and open mic

Hot pork rolls, delicious veggie food, Tollgate local bar, Melbourne deli-boards, Bittersweet chocolates, tea and cakes, wellbeing area, wheelbarrow races...and more!

Camping £5 per tent (online or on the door). Campervans by prior agreement £10 (campervans will be in car park only this year)

Some parking available but please walk or take the bus if you can.

No dogs.

Please do not walk over or through taped off areas and children must be supervised at all time as there are hazards and ponds on site.

This year the festival will take place in the middle of the site due to building works in the hub area.

## **Our Diocese**

**June 2018**

**A monthly snapshot of Church of England life around Derbyshire. Bishop Alastair writes... Prayer and Ministry**

### **New Ministry**

At the end of this month, Bishop Jan and I will be ordaining deacons and priests for the ministry of the Church. Moments of immense significance for Ordinands, families, friends, and for the Church. Please pray for these new ministers and their ministries.

### **Structures for Service**

Ministry provides leadership and service - for the Church and for communities. The basic framework is the parish - providing centres for worship, mission endeavour and the growing of disciples and all the rich ministries which flow from our churches. Please pray for blessing upon each of our parishes, and for the Deaneries within which their witness unfolds.

### **Fresh Expressions**

An important strand is that of pioneering and Fresh Expressions of Christian mission and ministry - within parishes, within the exercise of individual ministry, and through new forms of gathering for worship, nurture and outreach. Please pray blessing upon all these exciting signs of new opportunity, which are being raised up amongst us.

### **Spiritual Communities**

An increasingly important focus for ministry and discipleship is the formation of small 'intentional' communities, often operating alongside involvement in parishes and Fresh Expressions. Archbishop Justin has

established the St. Anselm Community at Lambeth, and we have our own Imagine Community in the Diocese. Spaces for people to be joined together in a common commitment to particular approaches to prayer and ministry. In May, I have been involved in two further initiatives. The formal launch of the Community of Oblation, led by Glenn Martin, and a further exploration for those called together to combat Modern Slavery of an appropriate way of organising a common rule of life to earth our endeavours in prayer, bible study and fellowship.

### **Focus for Mission**

As we celebrate and pray for new ministries, new forms of ministry, and all of the established ministries which so enrich our work together, this might be a season to consider the possibility of being called into 'intentional' communities committed to particular forms of witness and mission. Ministry needs focus as well as feeding. What might be appropriate within your part of the vineyard - not least through Deanery Mission Plans?!! May each of us be blessed and encouraged in our own ministry at this particular season.

† *Alastair*

## **This week in connection with Melbourne Church**

<b>Monday:</b>	2pm - 3.30pm	Caring Hands
<b>Tuesday:</b>	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
<b>Wednesday:</b>	7.45pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	10am - 2pm	Organ Tuning
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Service to celebrate Steve's 10th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	7.30pm	Friends Event: Horrockses Fashions
<b>Saturday:</b>	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 Stan Burden and Nicholas Lee.

### Next Week at Melbourne: Trinity 5

8am      **Holy Communion**      (Sidespersons: Ann Rafferty, Sue Dore)

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

(Sidespersons: Pam Starkey, Ken Gibson)

(Coffee: Griselda Kerr, Annabel Needham, Steph Hughes)

(Junior Church: Bronwen Truscott, Martha Clements)

6.30pm    **Evensong**      (Sidespersons: Sheena & Henry Wilkins)

## The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

### First Reading: *Isaiah 40.1-11*

Comfort, O comfort my people,  
says your God.  
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,  
and cry to her  
that she has served her term,  
that her penalty is paid,  
that she has received from the Lord's hand  
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.  
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!'

And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

All people are grass,  
their constancy is like the flower of the field.  
The grass withers, the flower fades,  
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;  
surely the people are grass.  
The grass withers, the flower fades;  
but the word of our God will stand for ever.  
Get you up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good tidings;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,  
lift it up, do not fear;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
'Here is your God!'  
See, the Lord God comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.  
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms,  
and carry them in his bosom,  
and gently lead the mother sheep.

### **The Gospel Reading:** *Luke 1.57-66, 80*

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.' They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.' Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And all of them were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. Fear came over all their neighbours, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him.

The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

## **Collect:**

Almighty God,  
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born,  
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour  
by the preaching of repentance:  
lead us to repent according to his preaching  
and, after his example,  
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,  
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **Processional at 10.30am:**

1. God has spoken by his prophets,  
spoken his unchanging word;  
each from age to age proclaiming  
God the one, the righteous Lord;  
in the world's despair and turmoil  
one firm anchor holds us fast:  
God eternal reigns for ever,  
God the first and God the last.
2. God has spoken – by Christ Jesus,  
Christ, the everlasting Son;  
brightness of the Father's glory,  
with the Father ever one:  
spoken by the Word incarnate,  
Life, before all time began,  
Light of Light, to earth descending,  
God, revealed as Son of Man.
3. God is speaking – by his Spirit  
speaking to our hearts again;  
in the ageless Word declaring  
God's own message, now as then.  
Through the rise and fall of nations  
one sure faith is holding fast:  
God abides, his word unchanging,  
God the first and God the last.     *(Tune: Blaenwern)*

George Wallace Briggs (1875–1959)

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## **Communion Hymn at 10.30am:**

1. The great forerunner of the morn,  
the herald of the Word, is born;  
and faithful hearts shall never fail  
with thanks and praise his light to hail.

2. With heavenly message Gabriel came,  
that John should be that herald's name,  
and with prophetic utt'rance told  
his actions great and manifold.

3. His mighty deeds exalt his fame  
to greater than a prophet's name.  
Of woman-born shall never be  
a greater prophet than was he.

4 To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
praise, honour, might, and glory be  
from age to age eternally. Amen. (*Tune: Puer Nobis Nascitur*)

The Venerable Bede (673-735), *translated by* John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

## **Recessional Hymn at 10.30am:**

1. Thanks be to God for his saints of each past generation,  
one with us still in one body, one great congregation;  
with them proclaim  
Jesus for ever the same,  
Author of life and salvation.

2. Thanks be to God for his blessings which daily surround us;  
glory to Christ, the Redeemer who sought us and found us,  
who from the grave  
rose, the almighty to save,  
breaking the fetters that bound us.

3. Thanks be to God for the years that are yet in his keeping,  
trusting each day to the care of a Father unsleeping,  
on to the end,  
Christ our companion and friend,  
joy at the last for our weeping.

**PTO**

4. Thanks be to God who has called us and daily defends us,  
who with the Son and the Spirit unchanging befriends us;  
now in that name,  
Jesus for ever the same,  
forth to his service he sends us. (*Tune: Lobe den Herren*)

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### **Hymn at 10.30am & 6.30pm:**

1. Last of the great prophetic line,  
By desert ways he trod,  
A voice to call by word and sign  
A nation home to God.  
'Repent!' – that summons heard of John  
Our hearts shall not forget;  
His voice is stilled, his day is gone,  
His call is with us yet.

2. A watchman's cry to end the night,  
A herald of the day,  
He points to Christ, the Light of light,  
'Prepare, prepare his way!'  
He points to Christ, the coming one,  
Of whom the Scriptures told,  
Baptising God's beloved Son:  
'The Lamb of God behold!'

3. Last of the great prophetic line,  
By desert ways he came,  
With promise of a King divine,  
A kingdom and a name.  
He points to Christ, the living Word,  
Before whose feet we fall,  
The Light, the Lamb, the Son and Lord,  
To Christ the all in all. (*Tune: Coe Fen*)

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