

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



The Bulletin

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The Second Sunday before Advent - 18th November 2018

8am Holy Communion

9.30am All-Age Eucharist, Re-Launch of Junior Church
and Coffee

(Please see Order of Service)

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6.30pm Evensong

Hymns: 150, 381, 250, 476

Psalm: 95

Organ Voluntary: Toccata No. 11 *Alessandro Scarlatti*

Welcome!

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

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Melbourne: 8am – Revd Steve Short
 10.30am – Revd Steve Short
 6.30pm – Dr Nick Gravestock

Smisby: 5.30pm – Revd Steve Short

Stanton: 11am – Revd Michael Rogers

Ticknall: 10.30am – Mrs Mary Hirst

**Taking responsibility for Church life today:**

8am Holy Communion
Sidespersons: John Tatam
Server: Sheena & Henry Wilkins
Reader: Nigel Coupe

9.30am All-Age Eucharist, Re-Launch of Junior Church & Coffee
Sidespersons: Margaret Murray-Leslie, Gordon Hughes
Crucifer: Brian Dollamore
Server: Ros Bell
Reader: Rachel Vernon
Intercessor: Margaret Murray-Leslie
Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Martha Clements
Coffee: Mary Bolton, Maurice & Pam Starkey

6.30pm Evensong
Sidespersons: Jo & John Glaze

All-Age service and relaunch of Junior Church

Today's parish communion is a very special service. We welcome friends from Angels' Delight and further afield to help us relaunch our Junior Church so a very warm welcome to our children and their families and friends, it is very good to have you here with us!

Our service will be slightly different to usual but everything you need will be in the order of service including all our songs, hymns and readings.

"Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.'" Matthew 19.13-14

-Steve

The Children's Society:

Box Holders, please, please, please don't forget to return your boxes to Avril Harrison or give them in at church before the end of November. Tel: 862013

Relief Organist:

I would like to thank Laurence Rogers for playing the Organ today at both the 10.30a.m. Eucharist and Evensong. I count myself very fortunate that I can leave both the Choir and the Organ in such capable hands knowing that his willing contributions to our church's music are much appreciated. Laurence was my predecessor here for 27 years but is still actively involved in the musical life of our Church and beyond.

Simon Collins, Director of Music

Illuminating the Tower: To make your booking, please call the church office-862153. Donations to sponsor the lights for an evening should be placed in a clearly marked envelope and put in the Sunday collection or put through the Rectory letterbox. This week there has been a donation from Paddy and Joe Laban in loving memory of Andrew Laban and Winifred Laban.

Autumn Fair:

Many, many thanks to all who helped in any way at the Autumn Fair yesterday. At the time of writing I do not have a figure for what we made but hope to fill you in as soon as possible. *Kate Landenberger*

Hospitality Sunday - 25th November: Last call

What is it?

On Hospitality Sunday we give and receive hospitality by having lunch together after the Sunday Service in our homes in small groups (4-10 people). This is a great way to get to know each other better and have lots of fun.

How does it work?

We need people to host and people to be guests! If you feel you are able to provide a meal for 4-10 people then sign up to be a host or if you would prefer to have a meal cooked for you then sign up to be a guest. I will then match up the hosts with the guests. If you are willing to host then make sure you write down how many guests you can cater for. There are now sign up sheets at the back of church.

This Sunday is the cut-off to say you'll be taking part. Guests will then be matched with hosts so please sign up at the back of church if you wish to be a guest. Thank you. Rachel Short

Friends of Melbourne Parish Church:

Last Sunday for Remembrance Sunday, I preached on friendship. We are very fortunate at the parish church to be supported by 'The Friends of Melbourne Parish Church'. From their website, their aims are to:

- preserve Melbourne Parish Church;
- enhance and develop the facilities at Melbourne Parish Church;
- encourage the broadest connection between Melbourne Parish Church and the wider community; and
- raise the profile of Melbourne Parish Church nationally and internationally.

I know that they are always looking for new members! Their website is:

www.friends-of-melbourne-parish-church.co.uk

In recent months the Friends have very kindly funded work providing a new vestry heater (something I am especially grateful for), repairing one of the existing Lady Chapel radiators and looking to contribute to a new CCTV system inside the church which is in the process of being formally approved.

We all need friendship and I am most grateful to 'The Friends' for theirs.

-Steve

Update : Bible Study Day 24th November Church House, Melbourne. 10am – 4pm.

Canon Tony and I have now met to finalise this and we have pleasure in updating you as follows.

The Programme:

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| 10am | Welcome and Worship |
| 10.15am | Session 1. Getting to know the Bible. Where does it come from?
Texts and Translations. |
| 11am | Tea/Coffee |
| 11.15am | Session 2, Discerning Gospel characteristics. |
| 12.30pm | Lunch and Wedding! |
| 2pm | Making links with the Scriptures – the Nature of the Kingdom. |
| 2.45pm | Tea/Coffee |
| 3pm | Introduction to the Fourth Gospel (John). |
| 3.45pm | Prayer and close. |

A really good number have signed up so far but we could squeeze a few more in if you still want to sign up. Due to the size of the room numbers will close at 20.

You will need to bring with you:-

A Bible of your choice.

A Pen

And YOUR LUNCH.

Tea/Coffee and biscuits will be provided (and a dish put out for donations towards the cost). It would be good to know which of those coming are involved in the wedding arrangements so that we can ensure that you are accommodated for around the lunch timings.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to be guided by Canon Tony and look at the Bible with fresh eyes together. We look forward to sharing this time with you.
Canon Tony, Revd Margaret and Allan.

Melbourne Bellringers' Christmas Dinner:

The annual dinner will be held on Saturday 24th November at 7pm at the Tea Rooms. All are welcome! Please contact Allan Jacques on 07976577218 for information and tickets.

House Group news and a new name...

The next meeting of those seeking the **Living Waters** is tomorrow at No. 63 Jubilee Close at 10.30am. It will be a House Eucharist featuring liturgy, which Canon Mark Powell prepared for use on Lundy and will be led by Revd Margaret with Mary Hirst assisting.

Revd Margaret and Allan

To Honfleur and Beyond.....

Thank you to everyone who supported the tour to Normandy this year.

If you have any suggestions for a destination next year (possibly November 2019) I would welcome ideas. At the moment I am looking at perhaps Paris..

Meanwhile another thought for a diary entry. Several people have asked if another 'walk' could be organised for Spring next year. I am thinking Alstonfields in Derbyshire about May time followed by an early supper at The George Alstonfields. Please let me know if you would be interested in this walk and I can organise accordingly...*Wendy Robinson 01530 810217*

Whistlewood Roundhouse Grand Opening and Annual General Meeting on Saturday 1st December at 2pm

Join us on the afternoon of Saturday 1st December for our AGM, grand opening of our beautiful new roundhouse and to celebrate Whistlewood's 5th birthday.

Everyone is welcome, young and old, member and non-member for an afternoon of fun, food, forests and celebrations.

Starting at 1.00 with a Bring and Share Lunch, refreshments and merriment.

Opportunity to make flags for the opening ceremony.

At 2pm prompt we will hold a brief AGM.

After the AGM will be the opening ceremony. Expect a unique and unforgettable experience!

Also during the afternoon:

- Make your personal ceramic tile for the roundhouse floor with Andy Mason potter. More details below
- Make a simple Christmas wreath (small charge)
- Guided tour of the roundhouse and the Whistlewood project
- Learn about the community-owned organisational structure
- Meet Penny and talk about Whistlewood as a wedding venue
- Find out about Whistlewood's exciting program of workshops and events for 2019
- Discover how to be a volunteer and what you can do to support the project
- Talk to Helen about partnering with Whistlewood as a workshop provider
- Children's play in the willow dragon and mud kitchen
- Help yourself to fruit -medlars are ripe, bring a bag to put them in.

If you've never been to Whistlewood before this is an ideal opportunity to get to discover the site, the roundhouse and talk to the volunteers who make this a unique place.

The party will continue as long as you want it to!

Please bring:

Food and drink to share

Warm clothes

Music and entertainment

Your co-operation hat! Whistlewood operates on a co-operation not consumer basis. This means that everyone who turns up pitches in, sees what needs doing and helps others. This is called co-creation - at Whistlewood 1 plus 1 always adds up to more than 2!

There will be parking on site but please check Facebook on the day of the event to see if the ground conditions have changed.

Disabled parking will be available whatever the weather

Sorry no dogs.

Christmas Quiz:

O Joy, O Rapture! After much late-night head-scratching and burning of the candle at both ends, THERE IS TO BE A QUIZ THIS YEAR. It will be (or if you are reading this on Sunday 18th, was) launched at the Autumn Fair, but will continue to be available at the 10:30 service and any other the Choir appears at, until mid December. Or contact me direct. There is no escape and no excuse. The price is a miniscule £2, and this year the closing date is the second of January so you have all of the "week between the years" to continue to "enjoy" the teasers and polish your answers to perfection.

Clive Avery

This week in connection with Melbourne Church

Monday:	10.30am	House Group at 63 Jubilee Close
	2pm - 3.30pm	Caring Hands
Tuesday:	7.25pm	Bellringing Practice
Wednesday:	9am - 11am	Angels' Delight in church
	7.45pm	Choir Practice
Thursday:	9.15am	Holy Communion
Friday:	11am	Funeral of Dorothy Simmonds in Church
	3.30pm	Puppet show rehearsal in St Michael's House
	7pm	Wedding Rehearsal in Church
Saturday:	10am-4pm	Bible Study Day in the Honner Room
	1pm	Wedding of Helen Roberts and Christopher Banks in Church
	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, David Ingram, Madge Limbert, Vicky Murray, Betty Park, Ruth & 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, among them Edna German, and those whose anniversaries occur near this time, among them Harold Timmins, Winifred Laban and Andrew Laban.

Next Week at Melbourne: Christ the King

8am	Holy Communion	(Sidespersons: Sue Dore, John Tatam)
10.30am	Festival Parish Eucharist, Junior Church and Coffee	
		(Sidespersons: Sheena Wilkins, David Smith)
		(Coffee: Kate Landenberger, Janet Warner)
		(Junior Church: Rachel Coupe, Isobel Hall)
6.30pm	Evensong	(Sidesperson: Victoria Hancock)

The Readings at 8am and 10.30am:

First Reading: *Daniel 12.1-3*

'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.'

The Gospel Reading: *Mark 13.1-8*

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

Additional Collect:

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.