

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

The Bulletin

A weekly publication for the Benefice

Sunday 28th April 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Melbourne

8.00am	Holy Eucharist	the Rev'd Alan Winfield Avril Harrison Joy Hill
	Reader	
	Server	
10.30am	Morning Prayer	Dr Nick Gravestock David Smith Simon Collins Ros Bell Rachel Coupe and Charlotte Hall
	Sidesperson	
	Reader	
	Intercessor	
	Junior Church	

Ticknall

9.15am	Holy Communion	the Rev'd Alan Winfield
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Stanton by Bridge

11.00am	Holy Communion	the Rev'd Alan Winfield
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Smisby

5.30pm	Evening Prayer	Canon David Edwards
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***A warm welcome is extended to all
especially any newcomers and visitors***

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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.

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Bible Readings

Collect

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

1st Reading: Acts 9.26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Gospel Reading: John 15.1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

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

Monday: God's Creation; the people of the Ukraine; those affected by the cost-of-living crisis.

Tuesday: Those who have asked for our prayers: Sue Webster, Rosemary King, Anne Brazier, Campbell Laird, Christopher Browne, Sandra Jones, Christine Young, Nadine Worthington, Revd Michael Rogers, Blake Hanchett, Claire, Bethy Hughes, Frank Turner, Nigel Tasker, Frankie Fagan, Ann Archer, Karen Grewcock, Anita and Desmond Radloff. Those in Derby's hospitals and hospices. 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, our archdeacon, Matthew and Area Dean, Mike.

Thursday: Our schools. The church worldwide.

Friday: 14 million people in the UK live in poverty. All in need, especially the hungry, poor and homeless.

Saturday: For our planet and to act now for the benefit of future generations.

Sunday: For children and young people for whom life is a challenge.

The Departed In our prayers this week, we remember those who have died recently including Simon James Fagan and also those whose anniversaries occur at this time, among them, Ruth Barkaway, George Pass, Harriet Wright, Doris Gunn and George 'Richard' Heath.

Prayer List and Pastoral Care

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.

Refreshments

Please feel free if you are able to stay and enjoy the refreshments at the back of church every Sunday after the 10.30 service and, once per month, after Choral Evensong. Hot drinks, wine and Sherry on offer and always delicious chocolate biscuits or chocolates... looking forward to meeting you for a chat...

Wendy Robinson

Publication of the Bulletin

Please send all items for publication to the parish email: melbournparishchurch@gmail.com
I will need to have ALL items by 9am on a Friday for that week's edition. Anything received after this time will not be included as the copy will be printed and emailed out on a Friday morning from now on.

Kate Bedford

Date for your diary - Vintage and Handmade Fayre.

Saturday 18th May 2024, 11am – 3pm. Featuring vintage clothing and homeware, jewellery, pet accessories, textiles and handmade goods and much more! Plus, live entertainment and tea room refreshments.

Rachel Hewitt

Spring cleaning? Down-sizing? Having a good old sort-out?

At the Vintage Fayre on **May 18th** we will be having a stall to support Christian Aid. Please let me know if you have any donations of good quality 'vintage' clothing, homeware, jewellery, handmade goods etc. Also, I would be very glad of offers of help for an hour or two on the day. Thank you, in anticipation.

Alison Gregory

Mothers' Union

Our next meeting is the Mothers' Union Deanery Service on **Tuesday 7th May at 2:00pm** in the church, presided over by the Bishop of Repton, where we will be joined by Derbyshire MU committee members, cathedral representatives and members from other local MU branches in the Deanery. All are welcome to come along, you don't need to be a mother or female or belong to MU to be welcomed at this service, which will be a celebration of our 110th anniversary, which fell on 25th March. Do come and join us for this joyous occasion!

Jane Dalton

Melbourne Open Art Fair: 4-6 May - The Methodist Wesley Hall, Potter Street

You may have seen in the Village Voice that Arts Melbourne received an award from the Arts Council to run a series of FREE creative workshops for Melbourne and the surrounding villages with a particular focus on those in our community who are hard to engage in creativity, such as those isolated or lonely and blokes, (who are a problem at any age!).. We have run a number of these workshops, appropriately called 'Blossoming', this Spring and they have been over-subscribed. This Art Fair is to raise the necessary funds to match the Arts Council grant so we can continue the workshops through until October.

So far we have over 80 entrants who have entered a total of 300+ pieces, mostly paintings with a good 30 in ceramics, wood and silver. The majority are by local amateur artists who have produced some stunning work, with a good sprinkling of Festival and Gallery artists. Please come along and get some cracking bargains.

Phil Dobby

Message from Vacancy Planning Meeting – April 2024

Mission and Ministry continue with much thanks to our Readers, Clergy and Church Wardens for all of their hard work. All four churches have elected their representatives to work with Archdeacon Matthew towards the parish profile and will be instrumental in the recruitment process.

We look forward to our first joint Benefice Service (**30th June, St Georges, Ticknall, 10.30am**) where we will all gather to worship together and to pray together for the future of our lovely churches. These corporate gatherings are so important as we try to work out together what kind of person (future incumbent) we want to come and join this family of churches. We are stronger together.

If you have any questions whatsoever, please do approach your Church Wardens, Readers or Clergy. You can also contact Mike your Area Dean or Archdeacon Matthew.

Mike's phone number: 07814033183 Mike's email address: mike.firbank@derby.diocese.org

News from Ticknall

Saturday, Sunday, Monday 4th-6th May, 11am-4pm We are holding our annual Flower Festival with the theme 'The British Countryside'. Refreshments available.

Saturday 11th May Derby Bach Choir "Come and Sing " Mozart's Mass in C

Saturday 18th May we have a Concert by Viva La Musica at **4.30pm**.

Mary Hirst

Angels' Delight

Our next Angels' Delight is at **9.00 a.m.** on **Wednesday 1st May 2024** – we hope to see you all then.

Jane Dalton

Christian Aid Week - Delivering a better world

As usual, the five churches in Melbourne are delivering Christian Aid gift envelopes to every house in Melbourne. We, at the Parish Church have 15 streets to cover! This is a great opportunity for us to help support our brothers and sisters in other countries and, at the same time, enjoy fresh air and exercise in our own beautiful town. Please consider taking part in this worthwhile effort by offering an hour or so of your time. Envelopes must be delivered between Monday, May 13th and Saturday 18th. You do not have to collect them - we ask people to take them to Wesley Hall in Potter Street or to contribute using the QR code on the envelope. Please see me to choose your street and receive any further information. Your Church needs YOU!

Alison Gregory

Deanery Newsletter May/June 2024

Please find the latest Newsletter from the Mercia Deanery on their website which also includes information on local events, training and lots of other really helpful things!

www.merciadeanery.wordpress.com

Ministry Team News

Following a meeting of the ministry team this week and in consultation with Mike Firbank our Area Dean and acting Incumbent we have agreed that from the Sunday 26th May, at Melbourne, we will start using the Nave Altar again until Advent.

We are also going to look at and experiment with reverting back to the order of service booklets and/ or hymn books or printed hymn sheets, and possibly still producing a service booklet for special occasions, festivals etc. This will be an experiment to see what works best. Some folk have asked about the Blessing and dismissal taking place at the back of church at the end of the service, but for now things will remain as they are – the final hymn, the Blessing and dismissal from in front of the altar and then the choir and clergy recess out to the organ voluntary.

We are also looking at holding a study course sometime in the autumn in a similar format to the successful Lent course this year, more details later.

Alan Winfield

Annual Meeting

Sunday 5th May

Please come to the annual meetings after the service on the **5th May**.

This is your chance to hear about '***A year in the life of your church***'.

This year, the meeting will be chaired by **Rev Mike Firbank** who will do so in a lively manner.

On the **5th May**, we shall also be voting for: Churchwardens, Deanery Synod and Church Council Members.

Please consider whether you would be willing to offer your services.

Many Thanks,
Rachel Coupe



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The Choral Road 2024.....

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

- ~~6th and 7th April: Weekend residency at St David's Cathedral~~
 - **Bank Holiday Monday, 6th May: daytrip to Ely**
 - Bank Holiday Monday, 26th August: daytrip to St Albans
- 26th and 27th October: Weekend residency at Portsmouth Cathedral

Sign-up list for Ely is now on Melbourne Notice board

We value greatly the support of our congregations and other friends on our trips and are looking forward to singing at these Cathedrals.

ELY - WHAT TO SEE & DO

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.

Our Choir will sing Choral Evensong in the Cathedral at 5.30p.m., and it's a free day to do as you please. The coach will leave Church Square at 8.30a.m. Cost: £24 per seat for door to door with friendly, familiar faces.

This is a trip postponed from April 2020, right at the beginning of lockdown. Having sung Evensong in the Cathedral a number of times, we were due to sing in the Lady Chapel on that occasion, something which I'm delighted to say we will finally achieve this time.

The Ely Lady Chapel was built in the 14th Century and is the largest Lady Chapel attached to any British Cathedral. It is the building in which, because of its acoustic, many professional chamber choirs record, notably John Rutter's Cambridge Singers. They describe the acoustic as sublime, sumptuous, magnificent, peerless and we are fortunate indeed to have the opportunity to sing Choral Evensong in their Lady Chapel, something which is not afforded to many Visiting Choirs.

N.B. OUR COACHES HAVE TOILET FACILITIES.

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



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SUNDAY

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Matters Musical

Melbourne Choral Evensong

This service at Melbourne continues monthly at 6.30p.m. except in August on these dates:

May 19, June 9, July 14, September 8, September 29 (Patronal) and October 13 (Harvest).

Please do note the dates and join us if you can, particularly if this service is new to you.

Cathedral Visits

For details of our bookings this year, see the **Choral Road page** within this Bulletin.

Music suggestions

We're well into the Easter season now with 'Good Shepherd' Sunday marked last 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.

Please keep in touch with comments/suggestions: simon.e.collins@btinternet.com /07808 474236.

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=n5uIWbXgF0>

Walking in a Garden

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

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to heaven & voices raise

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

Choral Music

Rutter: The Lord is my Shepherd (Requiem)

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

Goss: These are they that follow the Lamb

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_HDhegT8RI

Chant by John Goss: Psalm 23

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

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

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

Handel: Worthy is the Lamb & Amen (Messiah)

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

Organ Music

Charpentier: Trumpet Tune (Te Deum Prelude)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ui5_MP3Vws

Pachelbel: Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

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

Dandrieu: Offertoire "O filii et filiae"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX0S6LkU_GY

Heuschke: Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

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

Rawsthorne: Two versets on Brother James' Air

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

Guilmant: Offertoire sur "O filii et filiae"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-Yo_kQDNMw

With all best wishes,

Simon Collins

Director of Music

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