

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

**The Bulletin**

*A weekly publication for the Benefice*

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

***Sixth Sunday of Easter***

**Melbourne**

8.00am **Morning Prayer**  
Reader

Joanna Hocknell  
John Williams

10.30am **Parish Eucharist**  
*(Followed by APCM)*  
Server  
Sidesperson  
Reader  
Intercessor  
Junior Church

Rev'd Dr Mike Firbank  
  
Jo Glaze  
Pam Starkey  
Margaret Murray-Leslie  
Alison Andrews  
Rachel Coupe

**Ticknall**

9.15am **Morning Prayer**

Canon David Edwards

**Stanton by Bridge**

11.00am **Morning Prayer**

Canon David Edwards

**Smisby**

5.30pm **Holy Communion**

Rev'd Alan Winfield

**Ascension Day – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

9.15am **Holy Eucharist** Melbourne

Rev'd Bob Boyle

7.30pm **Benefice Eucharist** Ticknall

Rev'd Canon Richard Andrews  
Preacher: Dr Nick Gravestock

***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.

0800 804 8044

A free phone line of hymns,  
reflections and prayers



## Bible Readings

### Collect

Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:  
help your Church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father.

### 1st Reading: Acts 10.44-48

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

### Gospel Reading: John 15.9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

**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 and Anita 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 Sheila Gillian Newman and also those whose anniversaries occur at this time, among them, Madge Limbert, Jonathan Franks and Joe Winters.

### **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: [melbourneparishchurch@gmail.com](mailto:melbourneparishchurch@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*

### **Ascension Day**

**Thursday 9th May** - Benefice Eucharist at Ticknall Parish Church at **7.30pm**

Celebrant: Rev'd Canon Richard Andrews

Preacher: Dr. Nick Gravestock

## **Date for your diary - Vintage and Handmade Fayre.**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 **Saturday 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. We will also be selling plants so, if you have any to spare from ones you have grown from seed or ones you have divided from your garden or allotment, please bring them along to church either on the afternoon of **Friday May 17th** or on the **Saturday morning**. There are some flower pots at the back of church if you need them. Thank you for all your contributions to the stall. 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 Celebrations**

It's now just over 110 years since Melbourne Mothers' Union held its first meeting. The branch was inaugurated on 25th March 1914 (Lady Day) by Rev L Robins. We are celebrating this anniversary on **Tuesday 7th May at 2:00pm** with our Deanery Festival at which the Bishop of Repton will preside and preach.

Mothers' Union is now a World-wide organisation with over 4 million members whose aim it is support and care for families. Much has changed since it was founded by Mary Sumner in 1846, nearly 150 years ago, but families both here and around the world still need support and care.

I'm sure that the Melbourne branch in 1914 soon found itself supporting the needs of 'the war effort'. Now our efforts help to support food banks, women's refuges, short breaks and treats for families under pressure as well as projects in 3rd world countries to empower mothers to be able to support their families to gain skills and an education. The family structure may have changed since 1914 but families are still in need of support.

Of course, as a branch our members also enjoy friendship and fellowship when we meet together each month and we will continue our anniversary with a lunch out at the Tea Rooms on **Wednesday 8th May**.

Do have a look at our display by the Lady Chapel. Our meetings, usually on the first Tuesday of the month, are open to all, come along to our Deanery Festival; come along to one of our meetings and learn more about our group....it's not just for mothers!

*Ros Bell*

## **Churches Together in Melbourne – Christian Aid Week**

The Churches Together Christian Aid Service is being held at the Methodist Church on **Sunday 12th May at 6.30pm** and everyone is welcome.

*Anne Brady*

## **Planning for Children – Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May**

We need a team of people to help plan for the next few events for children and their families. Please come and join us, if you can!

We shall be meeting in the Honner Room, Church House next Wednesday evening. Here's what we need to discuss:

7pm Messy Church Outdoors on 22 June

7:30pm Holiday Club 28-31 May

8pm Experience Pentecost 14 May

Thank you, in anticipation, to everyone who can come!

*Rachel Coupe*

## **Melbourne Open Art Fair: This Weekend, 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*

## **News from Ticknall**

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

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 1.30pm** Derby Bach Choir "Come and Sing Day" - Mozart's Mass in C (Coronation) & Solemn Vespers. If you would like to come along and sing please contact Jenny Casboul on 01335 350285. If you would just like to come to the final performance which will be at **6.00pm** there will be a small entrance fee of £5 payable at the door.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 4.30pm** we have a Concert by Viva La Musica Chamber Choir entitled Now is the Month of Maying. Tickets are £12.50 which include post concert refreshments. Students £10, Under 16s free. Tickets can be obtained from <http://www.vivalamusica.org.uk> or on the door.

*Mary Hirst*

## Angels' Delight

This week 17 little Angels, one a tiny little baby, and their carers, arrived for the second session of this term. As usual a range of toys were set out for them. After their free play time, they gathered round for the story. The theme this week was Noah's Ark: The Rainbow reminding us of God's promise to us, and of brighter days. Rachel read the story "All Afloat on Noah's Boat" which was followed by a lively music and movement session of related songs, including "Sing a Rainbow" and "If you're happy and you know it." After their refreshments Angels set to drawing round animal stencils and colouring in pictures of the Ark and the animals too. They also enjoyed using playdough and Noah's Ark cutters. They particularly liked the empty paddling pool with ark and animals inside, and then using the small watering can to "rain" on them and float them on the water, although their carers weren't so sure!! They made their own personal rainbows, with coloured strips and cotton wool clouds above, to take home, and a lovely rainbow for the board. Our next Angels' Delight is at **9.00 a.m. on Wednesday 15th May 2024**, and we'll hope to see more of you all then.

*Jane Dalton*

## Christian Aid Week - Delivering a better world

Thank you to everyone who offered/agreed to deliver Christian Aid envelopes this year. No thumb screws were needed! The envelopes are ready for you at the back of church. Please don't deliver them before May 12th.

*Alison Gregory*

# Annual Meeting Today

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Please come to the annual meetings after the service today, 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.

Today, 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*



# Thy Kingdom Come 9-19<sup>th</sup> May 2024



Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. Since it began in May 2016, God has grown TKC from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions - so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ. Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way.

It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part & join in. *"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities."* Archbishop Justin Welby

Further information and Prayer Booklets can be found at the back of each of our four churches.



**CHURCHES TOGETHER in MELBOURNE**

## Christian Aid Service

**Sunday 12th May 6.30pm**  
at Melbourne Methodist Church



Aline Nibogora is 35 and lives in Burundi, one of the poorest countries in Africa.

To find out more about how **Christian Aid** changes lives, like Aline's, please join us for the service.



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*All Welcome*



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DERBY POETRY FESTIVAL 1.30 - 3.30  
Write The Wilderness: Strolling Poetry & Nature Walk for Children & Adults  
**SUNDAY**  
BLOSSOMING FAMILY WORKSHOP 12.30 - 3.30  
MUSIC TIME with Tracey Ridley 1.30 - 2.15

Entrance Fee: £2 (under 16s free)



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# Vintage and Handmade Fayre

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024

11am – 3pm

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## **The Choral Road 2024.....**

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

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

### **SEATS AVAILABLE FOR ELY TOMORROW**

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](mailto:simon.e.collins@btinternet.com) or after services).

*Simon Collins, Director of Music*

## Matters Musical

### Cathedral Visits

Tomorrow, Bank Holiday Monday, our Choir has the privilege of singing Choral Evensong at Ely Cathedral. **There are still some seats left on the Coach so, do call me if you are interested.** For details of all our bookings this year, see the Choral Road page within this Bulletin.

### Melbourne Choral Evensong

This monthly service at Melbourne continues at 6.30p.m. except in August and December on these dates: **May 19 (Whit Sunday), June 9, July 14, September 8, September 29 (Patronal) and October 13 (Harvest).** Please note the dates and join us, particularly if this service is new to you.

### Music suggestions

Eastertide continues and this coming Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May, we have Ascension Day services at Melbourne at 9.15a.m. and a service at Ticknall with joint choirs at 7.30p.m. so, I offer suggestions for that too. Please do keep in touch: 07808 474236/ simon.e.collins@btinternet.com

### Hymns

Love's redeeming work is done  
Walking in a garden  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise  
**for Ascension Day (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May):**  
Hail the day that see Him rise  
Christ Triumphant, ever reigning  
Rejoice! The Lord is King

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5uIWEbXgFO>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=txsQvkwQliQ>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ezuuH7fKY0>  
  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QjofDCZlyRY>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D-y9bWcSi20>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jk1iatrwhLc>

### Choral Music

Arr. John Barnard: Ubi caritas  
Paul Mealor: Ubi caritas  
John Taverner: Dum transisset Sabbatum I  
Arr. Walford Davies: O sons and daughters  
**for Ascension Day (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May):**  
Gerald Finzi: God is gone up  
Michael Praetorius: The Lord ascendeth up on high  
William Mathias: Lift up your heads O ye gates  
Chant by John Goss: Psalm 47  
Handel: Lift up your heads O ye gates ('Messiah')

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9euSYJdHbC8>  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0\\_VPrL4nd2E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0_VPrL4nd2E)  
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HeyNsG7AoaU>  
  
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AflosZ4j9eQ>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h0padnBe6OU>

### Organ Music

Jean-Francois Dandrieu: Offertoire "O filii"  
Guilmant: Offertoire "O filii" op. 49 Nr. 2  
**for Ascension Day (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May):**  
J.S.Bach: Heut Triumphieret Gottes Sohn (BWV 630)  
Guilmant: March on a Theme of Handel  
Olivier Messiaen: Transports de Joie

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX0S6LkU\\_GY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX0S6LkU_GY)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-Yo\\_kQDNMw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-Yo_kQDNMw)  
  
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With all good wishes,  
Simon Collins  
*Director of Music*

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