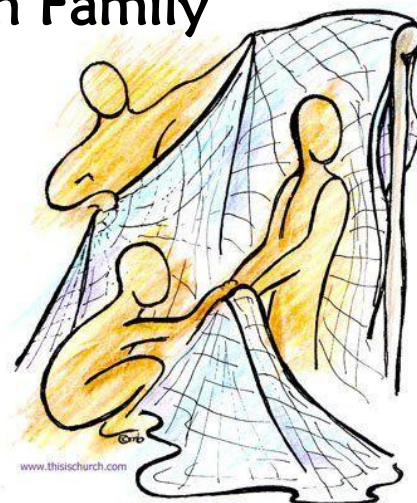


THE TEAM PARISH OF MELTON MOWBRAY

St Mary, Melton Mowbray * St Mary the Virgin, Thorpe Arnold * St James, Burton Lazars;
St Bartholomew, Welby * St Leonard's, Sysonby * St Mary, Freeby

Welcome to our Church Family



They left everything
and followed Jesus

THE WEEKLY NEWS

Epiphany 3
Sunday 22nd January 2023

This week: Epiphany 3
Sunday 22nd January

Next week: Candlemas
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Sunday 29th January

Church of St Mary, Melton Mowbray

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
Revd Dr Mary Barr

10.00am Morning Worship
Dr Ted Hutchin

6.00pm Choral Evensong
Linda Pearson

10.00am Songs of Praise
Linda Pearson

6.00pm Candlemas Holy Communion
Revd Dr Mary Barr
& Revd Graham Spencer

Church of St Mary the Virgin, Thorpe Arnold

9.45am Holy Communion
Revd Dr Mary Barr

9.45am Iona / Candlemas Service
LPM Carol Parker

Church of St James, Burton Lazars

11.15am Connect
LPM Janet King

11.15am Holy Communion
Revd Dr Mary Barr

Church of St Bartholomew, Welby

No service

No service

Revd Dr Mary Barr
☎ 464293

Mary is glad to give such help and advice as she can to those who need it, or to arrange for it to be given by someone

☺ maryebarr17@gmail.com *else. She would like to know of cases of sickness etc.*

Contact Details

- ❖ **The Parish Website: currently under construction**
Once launched - see the latest news & information on what is happening in the Team Parish
- ❖ **Mary's Place: (Meeting Rooms & Parish Office) at 8 Burton Street, MM. LE13 1AE**
- ❖ **Mary's Place: Centre Manager - Linda Abbott - *please contact to book rooms or equipment***
www.marysplace.org.uk ☎ 01664 503521 or ☺ manager@marysplace.org.uk
- ❖ **The Parish Office, Mary's Place : Parish Administrator - Alison Kitching**
☎ 01664 503530 or ☺ admin@meltonparish.org.uk
- ❖ **Reception, Mary's Place : ☎ 01664 503520**
The downstairs Reception Office in Mary's Place is open ~ Monday to Friday, 10am - 12 noon for general enquiries including Weddings, Baptisms and Room Bookings.
- ❖ **To book St Mary's Church for concerts & events: ☺ stmarysmeltonbookings@gmail.com**
- ❖ **Thorpe Arnold Village Hall: To book the hall, please contact Clarissa Kettle**
☎ 01664 566371
- ❖ **Parish Views Items - next issue: March 2023 deadline ~ 10th February 2023**
All magazine items should be emailed to the editors or brought to the Parish Office in Mary's Place between 10am and 12noon weekdays



**Items for the Weekly News should reach the Parish Office
by 12 noon on Wednesday to ensure inclusion ~ Many thanks**

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

<i>Please Note: Events will take place in St Mary's Church, Melton unless indicated otherwise</i>		
Sunday : 22 nd January		
Monday : 23 rd January	8.30am 2.00pm	Morning Prayer (via South door) Funeral ~ for the late Esme Faulks
Tuesday : 24 th January	8.30am 10.00am – 2.00pm 1.00pm	Morning Prayer (via South door) Church Open Organ Recital
Wednesday : 25 th January	8.30am 10.00am – 2.00pm 10.00am	Morning Prayer (via South door) Church Open Steeplejack – Lightning conductor check
Thursday: 26 th January	10.00am – 12noon 10.00am 11.30am	Church Open Tiny Tots Holy Communion
Friday : 27 th January	10.00am – 12noon	Church Open
Saturday : 28 th January	10.00am – 2.00pm	Church Open

Sunday :
29th January

Events

Tuesday Lunchtime Organ Recitals 2023

in St Mary's Church, Melton Mowbray at 1.00pm

Admission Free ~ Refreshments ~ Retiring Collection for Organ Fund

24th January ~ Simon Headley, All Saints, Loughborough

14th February ~ Laurence Caldecote, All Saints, Northampton

28th February ~ Ian Orr, Organist Emeritus, St Thomas, South Wigston



Songs of Praise

'A Few of My Favourite Hymns'
Sunday 29th January at 10.00am
in St. Mary's, Melton Mowbray
ALL VERY WELCOME!

Do you have a favourite hymn, worship song, prayer, reading, poem etc that you would like to be included in this Songs of Praise Service?

Please send your choice(s) to either Linda Pearson or James Gutteridge by this Sunday, 22nd January.

It would also be really special if you'd be prepared to give a few words as to why you have chosen the particular piece and if you would be prepared to come to front and introduce it or not during the service.

Please either

- email James at: james_gutteridge@yahoo.co.uk or speak to him ASAP.
- or email Linda: lcpearson@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07706 883054

NEWS AND INFORMATION



CONFIRMATION is the way we can make for ourselves the promises made on our behalf if we were baptised as infants. At the Confirmation service, those being confirmed publicly express their commitment to follow Jesus Christ, and through prayers and the laying on of hands by the Bishop, the Church asks God to give them the power of the Holy Spirit to live the Christian life. It's a wonderful opportunity for anyone (aged from about 10 - 100) to say their

own public 'YES' to being a Christian for life! If you haven't already been baptised, then that can happen at the same time as Confirmation.

If you're interested in preparing for this step of faith, please contact the Revd Mary Barr as soon as possible, by email maryebarr17@gmail.com or telephone 01664 464293

Wool And Wellness

A massive thank you to everyone who knitted woolly hats for farmers.



A total of **fifteen** hats now have the Farming Community Network (FCN) emergency help number stitched inside and have been handed over to an FCN worker at Melton Livestock Market. Good work all round from church members around the Parish, and especially Mother' Union members.

For further info contact Helen Bett on 07729106046 or helenmb53@gmail.com

APPEAL

Please can you save **cardboard tubes (roll middles)** for an eco activity at Saturday Morning @ St. Mary's on 11th February.

Please put them in the box provided at the back of St Mary's church.

Many thanks! Jacqui Wilson

Please Note

The PCC decided that no colour photocopying would be done without approval by Revd Dr Mary Barr.

St Mary's Servery

The servery is open for church members to make themselves a drink during the week please wash up and put away all crockery and cutlery used.



Mothers' Union

The next meeting will be on **Friday 17th February** when Siggy will visit us and tell us about Storehouse.

'A Message to our MU friends' from Margaret & Bill Smart: 'We'd like to let you know that we are both OK ~ you may not see us around so much now as we are adjusting to being car-less and therefore unable to get out and about as much as previously. God Bless.'



Len Hunter's newly published book

entitled "70 Themed Cryptic Quizzes, Humorous Poems and Intriguing Puzzles" is now on sale for £5.00 in St Mary's Church.

All proceeds will stay within St Mary's.

St Bartholomew's Church Welby 50/50 Monthly Draw Club

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported St Bartholomew's Church at Welby by belonging to the 50/50 club.

If you would like to renew your membership for 2023, please send £12.00 per number to: Adrian Jury, 5 Johnson Close, Melton Mowbray. LE13 1TH for the next draw on the 19th February 2023.

New members are always very welcome



~ for more information please contact:
Adrian Jury on Melton 566374 or
Michael Richards on Melton 561222.

1st Prize	No. 74	R Gildove	£15.25
2nd Prize	No. 08	P Bennett	£9.15
3rd Prize	No. 51	R & L Wilford	£6.10

This month's winners are:

Become a St Mary's Church Welcomer

Thanks to our enthusiastic Church Welcomers St Mary's Church, Melton Mowbray, is open for prayer and reflection and visitors every day from Tuesday to Saturday. We are currently four hours short of making it 10.00a.m. to 2.00p.m. on each of these days. To enable that to happen we are looking for new volunteers. Could you join the team to help now and again, two hours a month or two hours a week? Your help would be greatly appreciated starting in the new year.

Please speak to Brenda or Tony Rous in church or call 07756 864996 for more information



St Mary's Church, Melton Mowbray is open for prayer and reflection, and visitors on:
Tuesdays: 10.00a.m. ~ 2.00p.m.
Wednesdays: 10.00a.m. ~ 2.00p.m.
Thursdays: 10.00a.m. ~ 12 midday
Fridays: now 10.00a.m. ~ 12 midday
Saturdays: 10.00a.m. ~ 2.00p.m.

Thanks to our Welcome Team



**Celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight with a ...
Fairtrade Pancake Breakfast**
on **Saturday 25th February 9.00am ~ 11.30am**
at the Sage Cross Methodist Church (Wesley Hall)

The event is organised by the Melton Borough Fairtrade Steering Group, which promotes Fairtrade within the Melton Borough. Their aim is to highlight Fairtrade products by serving pancakes with a range of toppings, plus bread rolls and tea/coffee/hot chocolate.

There is no charge (donations welcome)

For further information please contact: 07976 244349



TODAY'S READINGS

New Revised Standard Version (Anglicised Edition)

Old Testament: Isaiah 9:1-4

¹ But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴ For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Epistle Reading: I Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23

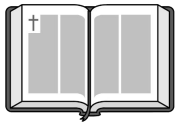
¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.'

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.



Readings for 29th January ~ Presentation of Christ in the Temple/Candlemas
Malachi 3:1-5 Hebrews 2:14-end Luke 2:22-40

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.

Post Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Alternative Collect

*God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news
to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.*

FUNERAL

*We extend our love and sympathy
to the family and friends of:*

23rd January Esme Faulks [MM]
26th January Ray Foster [Crematorium]
27th January Jean Barwell [Crematorium]



For Your Prayers

Please remember those whose remembrance falls at this time of year: (22nd - 29th Jan)
William Smedley, Elspeth Adams, Beatrice Phillips, Joseph Adamson, Olive Adamson,
Ernest Sharman, Joan Roberts, John Howett, Tony Constable, Derrick Godber, Ethel Tuffs

We pray for all areas of conflict throughout the world, especially in the Ukraine.

We pray for peace the world over.

Please pray for Margaret Pearson

We pray for those recently baptised: Oliver McDonald (*adult baptism at St Mary's, Melton*)



PRAYER CHAIN ~ Prayer requests remain confidential ~ Please ring Gillian Beavis (851386) with any prayer request & a number of people will then pray.