OSMOTHERLEY COMMUNITY GROUP

The very generous donations from our April Coffee Morning will be used to purchase a piece of specialist equipment for the Alzheimer's Society - we await advice as to the specific nature of the purchase and will let you know what we have bought in due course.

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING MAY 1ST 9AM - 11 30AM IN ST PETER'S OSMOTHERLEY

This Coffee Morning will support Breathing Space

Breathing Space is a flexible leisure scheme which was started in May 1994 in order to meet the needs of people with a learning disability, who live in the districts of Hambleton and Richmondshire. The charity aims to:

- enable people with Learning Disabilities who are 18 years of age, or over, to develop their ability to pursue leisure activities.
- assist individual and informal groups, where possible,
- join in with established community and recreational activities and
- develop support to carers of people with learning disabilities by enabling the person, for whom they care, to take part in enjoyable activities away from their homes at weekends and on evenings.

The office for Breathing Space is currently located at Northdale Horticulture and so we are pleased that our friends from Northdale will also be joining us and will bring plants and other hand crafted goods for sale. We do hope you will be able to join us — everyone is welcome.

CHAPTER AND VERSE BOOKSTOP

The books have now been re located to a place underneath the Community Notice Board in St Peter's. The bookcase has been constructed out of wood from a redundant cupboard at the back of church, Happy reading!

NEWS FROM ST PETERS

If you have visited the church in recent weeks, you will have seen that the work to enable the building to be more accessible, is progressing rapidly. In the next couple of months there may be times when the church has to be closed for safety reasons but we hope you will bear with us as we work together for the benefit of the whole community. Sunday services will continue as normal and we do not anticipate any disruption to our planned community events.

IAN'S RETIREMENT WEEKEND

Ian, our vicar, is due to retire on July 1st. There will no doubt be several events planned across the benefice to celebrate Ian's work including the following at St Peter's.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30th 7pm

We are delighted to announce a visit from St Austin's Choir Wakefield. The choir provides music for the Church of St Austin's in Wakefield. In addition the choir regularly gives recitals and has undertaken three European tours including Paris and Rome. The choir will celebrate Ian's contribution to our ecumenical partnerships in Osmotherley.

SUNDAY, JULY 1st 10.45am

There will be a community service in St Peter's to mark Ian's retirement - Everyone is welcome

Please put these dates in your diary and look out for further details in the June edition

REMEMBRANCE 2018

As part of the **Poppy Festival** across the weekend of Saturday Nov 10th and Sunday Nov 11th. We are proposing to hold an Art and Writing exhibition in the village hall. If you are an established or budding artist or writer then please consider producing an artefact for the exhibition.

We are looking for art, poetry or short prose on the theme of Remembrance. More details to follow in the coming months.