

As we move forward towards Easter we are planning to offer the following:

Good Friday April 2nd -12 noon

There will be a socially distanced, outdoor, reflective walk around the church, with prayers and readings. This will be an ecumenical event and everyone is welcome to join us.

Easter Sunday April 4th -10:45am

There will be a Community Service to celebrate this important date in the Christian calendar. Following a short interlude there will be a said Eucharistic service for those wishing to take communion. Seating in St Peter's has been arranged to comply with social distancing and hand sanitiser is provided. You are respectfully requested to wear a face covering.

May we take this opportunity to wish everyone a Peaceful and Blessed Easter

After Easter

In line with developing government and church guidelines, we hope to return to the following pattern of services:

1st and 3rd Sundays in the month - St Peter's will open for private prayer from 2pm - 4pm. 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month - there will be a service of Morning Worship at 10:45am.

Revd Bill will also offer Holy Communion at times to be agreed. Revd Bill Dewing continues to offer a Thought for the Week via St Peter's Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/stpeterosmotherley/</u> A weekly service of Morning Worship, via e mail or Zoom is also provided across the Hillside parishes.

If you would like to receive details of these via e mail, please contact Eileen Bellett on eileen.bellett@btinternet.com

PLEASE NOTE: St Peter's APCM will be held on Sunday April 25th at 4pm.

A decision about whether or not this will be held virtually will be taken nearer the time, in line with government and diocesan guidance.

Osmotherley Community Group

We are grateful to all our volunteers who have made or delivered soup throughout February and March.

This service which has been funded through a grant from Defra has been really appreciated by members of our community.

Although we have not been able to meet together as a group we have maintained a sense of connectedness and hospitality.

This was a free service. However, several residents have expressed a wish to make a donation. If you would like to express your thanks, please place something in the Hambleton Foodshare Basket which will be in St Peter's Porch over the Easter Weekend

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Parish Council Meeting 18th March 2021

The remote meeting of the PC was attended by three residents with issues to raise including concerns over a development on Bullamoor Road which is causing an alleged environmental nuisance to neighbours. A resident of Osmotherley raised concerns about the state and use of some land in the village and another who wished to hear about the work the council has done relating to traffic and parking concerns in the village. The police report included 12 incidents of anti-social behaviour, three incidents of violence against the person and one other crime. The police also raised concerns over scam phone calls in relation to National Insurance Numbers, after the force received a number of reports. The calls have shown as from both landline and mobile phone numbers and the callers claim to be either from the Police or National Crime Agency. They are usually recorded messages telling the receiver there has been a problem with their National Insurance Number; either it has been stolen or compromised and there is a fee to pay in order to receive a new number. If you receive a call of this nature, hang up straightaway and report it to the police by calling 101. **NEVER** provide any personal details over the phone.

The PC are aware that bollards are awaiting replacement by NYCC and are in correspondence with them (we have three down). The Traffic and Car Parking Report has been sent to Rishi Sunak for comment and the letter and report are available to view on the Osmotherley website at http://www.osmotherley.org.uk/parish-council-minutes.

Over the Easter period increased police patrols will be in the village and matrix signs erected for two weeks from the 29th March, at the foot of Clack Bank informing visitors of the parking availability at Sheepwash and Cod Beck and informing them to turn around if necessary.

Two planning applications were received and both were supported.

The contractor in Grant Close has been approached to ensure the drains are audited once work is completed and this was agreed.

A memorial tree proposal to honour the work of the late Anne Abbott was approved, however a site is yet to be confirmed.

The next meeting of the council is on the 15th April 2021.

Osmotherley and District Gardening Club

Osmotherley and District Garden Club: 'Adventurous Container Gardening' a talk on ZOOM by Stuart Lees. Tuesday 6th April 2021 from 6.45pm, talk to start from 7pm

Having worked in horticulture since leaving school, Stuart studied for a Diploma at Askham Bryan College in Yorkshire before taking a gardener's position with the Cadogan Estate in Chelsea. From there he progressed to various Head Gardener positions in the South East, including at a five-acre intensive garden in Berkshire for six years and responsibility for a 100-acre garden in Oxfordshire, which included the initial design work on the new garden and a one-acre, elliptical walled garden. Before becoming self-employed in 2000 he was the Head Gardener and Designer for a small London based gardening company, responsible for the maintenance of various private gardens in South West London.

This event is FREE to MEMBERS. If you are not currently a member but wish to attend please join the Club! Annual fees are $\pounds 2$ or $\pounds 1$ for under 16/over 60 and in addition to the talk you will also enjoy the full membership opportunities of visits, talks, regular newsletter, savings on catalogue seed prices and more! Please contact me (Carolyn) at <u>ossygardenclubsec@gmail.com</u>.

Osmotherley Primary School- Red Nose Day!

This year Osmotherley Primary School raised £146.50 for Comic relief on Red Nose Day.

The children in both classes chose to come to school wearing their own clothes or fancy dress if they donated $\pounds 1$.

As an extra fundraising activity, the children could pay an additional $\pounds 1$ for a sponge dipped in a bucket of icy water to throw in the "Osmotherley School Total Teacher Wipe-out Contest."

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Follow government advice and if you need help or support contact:

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Dates for your Diary

April

Good Friday 2nd, 12 noon - Socially distanced outdoor walk around the church. Easter Sunday 4th, 10:45am - Community Service, St Peter's Church. Tues 6th, 7pm - Osmotherley and District Gardening Club, Zoom talk. Sun 25th, 4pm - St Peter's APCM.

Village Festival "At Your Gate" Midsummer-Weekend of 18th-20th June

Our nominated charity for the festival will be Macmillan Cancer Support.

What can we do now?

You can help by starting to think about how to decorate your front door or garden gate to celebrate Summer.

You can also start to prepare crafts or other homemade items to sell at your gate - it will be up to each householder to decide on the level of donation to be given to Macmillan from the income received.

If you already know what you will be offering please e mail Eileen Bellett on <u>eileen.bellett@btinternet.com</u> or telephone on 883550 with details and your address.

We will be produce a Festival Guide to assist you on your route around the village. The Guide will be included in the June edition of The Messenger. The deadline for receipt of information will be included in the May edition.

What else do we already know?

There will be an opportunity to take part in The Macmillan Great Scavenger Challenge. There will be an entry fee and all correct challenges will be put into a raffle draw with a prize for both Adults and Children

What is possible but not yet confirmed?

We hope to have some musical, artistic and theatre contributions. However, at the time of writing these remain dependent on government restrictions both at the time of the Festival and in the run up to it.

Meanwhile, get ready, stay safe and keep hopeful.

Can you help? Do you know the Smiths?

Chris Young would like to return a family bible dated 1889 to its rightful owners. Some names listed are Agnes Watson born 20/01/1868, Martin Smith born 22/02/1862, Agnes Martha Smith born 26/05/1898, Thomas Arthur Smith born18/10/1900, George Edward Smith born 5/07/1900, Gilpah Mary Smith born 18/07/1904. Deaths buried in Osmotherley cemetery include: George Edward Smith 20/10/1936 & Thomas Arthur Smith 29/07/1917 age 16, Martin Smith 11/09/1922 age 60.

Editorial Team:

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Articles for May issue by Monday 19th April please.

Village Hall Bookings

Please contact Clare Scott via bookings@osmotherleyvh.org.uk