

T'Owd Man's March 2020 March 2020 March 2020



Storm Dennis hits Bonsall

flooding parts of the village

(Photo from Alan Clements)





CHURCH DIARY

March

St James

- 1 9.30am Sanctuary
- 8 9.30am Eucharist
- 15 11.00am Morning Worship
- 22 9.30am Eucharist
- 29 10.00am at Village Life Church

Village Life Church

Sunday 10.30am Morning Worship

10.30am UNO Sunday School Monday 6.00pm Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 2.00pm Craft Club

Wednesday 7.00pm House group

Our coffee morning is on Tuesday 31 March 10.00am to 12.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

For more information please check out our website: villagelifechurch.org.uk

Bonsall Wesleyan Reform Chapel (The Dale)

Sunday Services during March are at 6.15pm.

Sundays 22 March and 5 April at 6.15pm Songs of Praise

Lent Bible Studies Tuesdays 10.00 - 11.00am

Friday 20 March 2.00 - 4.00pm

World Day of Prayer Friday 6 March 1.30pm girls from Bonsall School taking part

CHURCH NEWS

I hope you have enjoyed eating pancakes -Lent has now begun. The word Lent comes from the Latin word Quadragesima meaning 'Fortieth'. We are told the purpose of the '40' days of Lent is to prepare the believer for Easter. It recalls Jesus' forty days of temptation in the wilderness prior to the commencement of His earthly ministry. Lent has three traditional practices - Prayer - justice towards God; Fasting - justice towards self; Alms-giving - justice towards neighbours. Justice means 'equity, fairness, honesty, reasonableness'. Those three practices certainly provide food for thought for the days of Lent! I'm reminded of words in the Bible, the book of Hebrews Chapter 11 outlining Faith and Chapter 12 'The Race of Faith', where readers are encouraged to 'run with endurance the race set before them, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.' Hebrews 12 v 1-3. If we choose to

participate in Lent perhaps it will provide a discipline that will enable us - to seek after and draw near to God; to honestly examine ourselves, our attitudes and our lifestyle; to consider how we deal with our 'neighbours' both near and far. Will we consider Jesus and all He endured, seeking the 'joy of the Lord which is our strength'? Nehemiah 8 v 10. N. L. De Moss writes: 'True joy is not the result of having everything I want but of gratefully receiving exactly what God has given me. . . the key to joyous living is to embrace the will of God and to receive with gratitude the gifts He chooses to give us in each season of life.' Jesus demonstrated this. May you have a thoughtful, joyful Lent leading to the blessings of Easter, forgiveness of sins and new life in Christ.

Judy Land

OBITUARY

Sally Mirkellion 1929-2020

Bob has asked me to let all the friends that he and Sally made in their 30 happy years on Arter Hill know that Sally died last week, with him, in their new home at Codnor Park Residential Home, Codnor.

Fiona Drake

Catholic Church Services

Our Lady and St. Teresa of Lisieux

Gorsey Bank, Wirksworth

Mass Sundays 8.45 a.m. Holy Days (See Newsletter) Service of Holy Communion – Wednesdays 10.00 a.m.

Contact Fr. Robbie O'Callaghan (01629 582804)

There is a weekly newsletter listing ongoing events.

Our Lady and St. Joseph Church

1 St. Joseph Street, Matlock

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 6.00 p.m. Sundays 10.30 a.m.

Weekday Masses – please see newsletter Contact Fr. Robbie O'Callaghan (01629 582804)

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Contact: The Team Office, Parish Rooms, St Mary's Gate, Wirksworth, DE4 4DQ. Tel/Fax 01629 824707. email: teamoffice@ wirksworthteamministry.co.uk. Website: www.wirksworthteamministry.co.uk

FLOODLIGHTING

The floodlighting this month brings special memories for several villagers. Di, Kath, Andrew, Mick and Sally have wonderful memories of Dorothy on her birthday on 1 March. Clara and Jack Mountney are in the thoughts of Ron, Joy, Linda and John. Phil and Ronnie Addis remember Freda and Kevin Hurley and for Dorinda, Simon and Stephanie there are loving thoughts of Harold as well as Annie and Lev Weston. Pat, Sue and John remember Joe with much love on 17 March. If you would like to make your donation on line the details are National Westminster Bank, Bakewell, Sort Code 60.14.15, Acc. No 80567622. Name of Acc. "PCC of Bonsall". Otherwise please pay me by cheque or cash. Thank you. It has been mentioned that the suggested donation of £10 for each time has not changed in the twenty years of lighting the spire and that this could be amended to £15 in the future. Of course, any extra donations made now are gratefully received.

Di Moor

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Photo: Jeanette Moss

LETTERS

TT Race

When I lived in Bonsall I was 'reliably' told that Bonsall had been considered as an area to hold the first Annual TT race. This did not come about and the event has always been held on the Isle of Man. Perhaps the History Society could throw some light on this. Thank you in anticipation,

Alan Webster

South Goa, India. (Former owner of the Barley Mow).

Use of the Lorry Park

Would the person who reported my grandson for parking his lorry in THE LORRY PARK, while he was visiting his grandma, please come and have a word with me.

Norma Marshall

826350

Bonsall History Research

I'm tracing connections between the Smedley's factory in Lea and the many framework knitters who lived and worked in Bonsall in the 1800s. These men took their work down to the factory where they were paid and given bread, cheese and a hot drink to discourage them from spending the money in the pub on their way back up to the village. I'm a Bonsall resident and I'm finding it fascinating learning about the history on my doorstep. The factory has a pair of long-johns in its archive knitted on a framework knitting machine by a Bonsall

man, Thomas Wigley, around 1860. I've managed to find this gentleman in census records and am putting together some details about his life to join the long-johns at the factory. My next goal is to trace more of the framework knitters that worked for Smedley's and the location of their workshops in the village. A few are still visible but many have disappeared, leaving only hints of their existence in old maps. If you

would like to know more about this piece of village history, have any information, old photos, family tales etc that could help, I'd love to hear from you.

Jeanette Moss

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Toilet Twinning?

What a good idea I thought. You donate £60 to 'Toilet Twinning' and your loo is 'Twinned' with another in a poor community that desperately needs one. We get a certificate with the GPS coordinates of the loo we are twinned with so that we can look them up. Clever eh? In fact, it's not quite as simple as providing a new loo. Tearfund (the charity behind the Toilet Twinning name) have found that educating and building trust in a community are essential so that they see the need for sanitation and then help and empower them to build the latrine themselves. Take a look at the website, it's all interesting stuff. Anyway, the Mothers Union plus a few extra friends had dinner and a glass or two of wine, we played some silly toilet themed games (not at all competitive!) and ended up with just over £120 - enough for two loos. I have ordered certificates. One is going in the 'Loo in the shed' at the Church, but I'm open to suggestions for the other. When the certificates arrive, we are going to proudly hang one in the shed and do a small presentation about the project at church - date to be decided. Let me know if you want any further information.

Caroline Kirkham

823762

Bonsall Carnival

The Carnival arrangements are underway and we are all hoping for better weather this year. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for events, games, stalls offered on the day and during the week, please get in touch with us. We are always looking for new ideas. CAN YOU HELP? The Committee has two vacancies - one for Vice Chair and one for Publicity. This will involve an hour or so of your time each month leading up to the Carnival. We are a jolly all-inclusive bunch who would welcome any support you are able to offer. We meet up once a month. Finally, thanks to everyone who has helped thus far, and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jayne Allsop who did a cracking radio interview and succeeded in getting the services of Andy Twigge from Radio Derby to open the Carnival. Our next meeting is

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on Thursday 19 March at 7.30pm at the Barley Mow. Please come along if you would like to learn more.

Jackie Smith

Carnival Chair

Village Lunch Report

In February, Bonsall folk tucked into a delicious meal of Lancashire hotpot followed by pineapple upsidedown cake and cream. This was followed by a 'spot the logo' quiz (thanks Marion) while teas and coffees were served. If you would like to come to the next village meal on Wednesday 18 March please ring 826309 to book a place. Last date for booking is 11 March. The meals are held in the Village Hall at 1pm.

Jonathan Ogilvie



Photo from Jonathan Ogilvie



Bonsall Arts Trail April 4-5 2020

Bonsall Arts Trail Group are delighted to announce that the weekend will feature:-

- · Over sixty talented Derbyshire artists and makers, all undercover
- · A free minibus service to help visitors access exhibition venues
- Live music at the Barley Mow and Kings Head
- · The Hazy Horse Mobile Bar at Tufa Cottage
- · Tea and cakes at many venues
- Ceramic, mixed media and textile workshops
- Jewellery, ceramics, textiles, photography, painting, sculpture and mixed media art are all represented
- The Wabi Sabi group will be exhibiting ceramics in the village hall to raise awareness of the creative and life enriching aspects of dementia and will be auctioning a sculpture.
- Cascade Gardens will feature an Alzheimer's awareness corner, where donations will be requested for the Alzheimer's society.

If you would like to volunteer to host an artist, it's not too late- we'd just need to know by the middle of March. We will provide boards and tables, so your furniture and walls don't need to be involved! Please contact our household liaison group member (Julie Leggett) by telephone: (H) 01629 259558, (M) 07305 594084. If you'd like to volunteer to help in any other way, we'd be delighted to hear from you. We need assistance with first aid and volunteers to help us direct traffic to avoid congestion or inconvenience. Please contact us at bonsallartstrail@yahoo.com

(Submitted by Amanda Graham, Chair, Bonsall Arts Trail Group)



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(Submitted by local resident and singer, Linda Orchard)

Thanks and Welcome

We would like to thank Julie Coxall, who is standing down as an editor due to work commitments. Also thanks to Liz Kirk-Smith and Keith Mackenzie for delivering Mutterings for many years. Welcome to Richard Shipley and Sally Mellor who are taking over their rounds.

Editors

PARISH COUNCIL

Report of meeting on 18 February

Bonsall Arts Trail: the organiser, Amanda Graham, spoke to explain plans for the event on 4/5 April. 66 artists were exhibiting; many exhibitions were in private houses and more host venues are needed. The organisers are also seeking volunteers to marshall traffic and act as first aiders. A minibus will be running from Via Gellia to reduce traffic in the village, and cones and traffic management will be in place as at Carnival and Open Gardens. Anyone wanting to help with the event should call Amanda on 07881021742 or email to amanda@amandagraham. co.uk. There will be free

admission to volunteers and their families, and a small donation from the group.

Burial Ground

Consecration: a well-attended consecration service took place on 6 February, led by the Bishop of Repton, Jan McFarlane. The Council thanked the Diocese and Parochial Church Council for their support and Mick Biggin for his work in preparing the ground.

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Flooding in the Village: the public speaking session was mainly taken up with recent flooding problems. Again properties on Yeoman Street had been affected and the drains had burst through the road surface there and at several points on High Street. The owner of Cascades spoke about the volume of water joining the Bonsall Brook through Cascades over the previous two weekends. He said that, despite annual dredging of the ponds and canal, the waterways could not cope with the volume occurring during recent flood events, and the two recent storms had again threatened the safety of the house and occupants. The main problem on Sunday 7 February had been water from The Dale flooding onto the road as the culvert was blocked, then coming onto Cascades from the highway below the vehicle park. He said that he had reported this to the County Council and was seeking the help of the Parish Council in preventing further flooding of what was a significant business bringing visitors to the village.

Cllr Ratcliffe said that at the last County Council meeting, specific funding had been approved to help with Bonsall watercourses. She said that the County Council highways department had requested £20 million from the Government to deal with the consequences of flood damage; Cllr Purdy said that he understood that this request had been refused. Cllr Purdy said that Derbyshire Councils were continuing to press the Floods Minister for funding to deal with problems since the events in November 2019; it was a problem of climate change meeting old Victorian infrastructure. Cllr Grover said that part of the problem was gully clearance of leaves; Cllr Purdy said that changes were being made to enable crews to respond immediately to requests for work. Cllr Pawley offered to help with dealing with flooding problems.

The Chair said that this was an important priority for the Parish Council which was trying to do all possible to alleviate the risks of major flooding incidents.

It was agreed:

(1) to ask the County Council Flood Team for their plans for dealing with

> the culvert problems identified in the recent survey; (2) for information on the recent funding approved for the village; (3) to send them

(Photo from Alan Clements)

details and photographs to illustrate the scale of the recent flood events: (4) to ask the Flood Team/ Highways to address the problem of surface water not reaching the road gully below the vehicle park alongside Cascades, and the impact on Cascades and other properties; (5) to address the drainage

(6) to seek a response to the previous request for work to reduce the highway level on Yeoman Street;

problem at Nether Green;

(7) to arrange a working group meeting to implement a Flood Warden Scheme for the village, and seek volunteers for membership. Anyone wanting to join the working group to help manage future events please contact the Clerk or your local Councillor.

Slinter Top Quarry update: the County Council had confirmed that the existing planning permission for quarry working would expire on 31 December 2021, with all remedial works to be completed by 31 December 2032. The Council said that the emergency works to construct an access road should be completed in the next 12 months. A complaint from a member of the public of loud noise from the quarry on 7 February was reported.

Vehicle park: the Council received the report from the working group meeting of 4 February. The Council confirmed adoption of the main recommendations as follows:

- Trailer use: since the last meeting, H. Strange was no longer using the vehicle park as it was understood that they had been advised by the Traffic Commissioners that they needed to move. It was agreed that the Clerk and





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Chair would contact H. Strange to explain that this did not reflect the Parish Council position on use of the vehicle park, and to see whether there was a way forward that would allow further use while meeting the requirements of the Traffic Commissioners;

- Insurance issues: the insurance company had confirmed cover for the park and vehicle park (including lorry/trailer use);
- Storage for carnival and well-dressing equipment: There was concern that a container on the Park could be unsightly and difficult to screen; the question was asked as to whether another storage location could be found. The option of a building on the vehicle park was discussed which again raised planning issues and possible need for consent from the Diocese as landlord. The views of a member of the public opposing a container on the site and suggesting reinstatement of a building along the lines of the old village hall were reported. Agreed that unless an alternative site could be found, to seek informal advice from DDDC planning on implications for a 30ft container or similar sized building, and then review the issue further.
- Improvement works/resurfacing: agreed that regrettably the work could only proceed once the Parish Council had acquired the land, which was being delayed by the legal process;
- Walling: it was agreed to seek quotes for repairs to the road wall along the length of the park, and for a return curve for the entrance to

the vehicle park to incorporate an honesty box and vehicle park sign;

- Wild flowers: it was confirmed that planting on the bank would be done;
- Permits for parking of camper vans/caravans: it was noted that permit allocation would need to be done by an open process;
- Suggested charges: there was further discussion on the £400 permit charge previously put forward for camper vans/caravans, and whether it should be increased. Agreed to review again and check comparable commercial charges to ensure that this provided a proper return for the Council;
- Unauthorised longer term car parking: it was agreed that there would need to be an enforcement process to manage unauthorised long-term parking, coupled with signage. This would be discussed further as part the work to prepare terms and conditions to go on the notice board and permits.
- Resident overnight parking: agreed that nothing should be done to discourage free use for overnight parking by residents seeking to avoid on-street parking.
- The working group continues to meet, so any comments for them on the plans to date can be passed to the Clerk or local Councillors.

Mutterings Grant application: a grant of £250 was approved for Mutterings towards printing costs.

Full details of the meetings can be found in the minutes on the Parish Council page of the village website at www.bonsallvillage.org/, or on the village noticeboards.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17 March. If you have any issues to be raised at the meeting, please contact the Clerk, Tony

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Payne, with details by Monday 9 March.

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Have a chat with some of our conservation volunteers who work to look after our green spaces, including our Beyond the Mill Walls project along Church Walk.

See the replica water frame and learn about Sir Richard Arkwright in a brief history of the site on this short tour.

See how the impressive water power allowed Sir Richard Arkwright to realise his ambition and build his towering mills.

CROMFORD MILLS







Volunteer Open Day Showcases Local Charities

Learn what it's like to be a volunteer at the Cromford Mills Open Day on Saturday 14 March from 10am -4pm, with refreshments and a chance to talk to a variety of organisations.

Strutt's North Mill from Belper and the Cromford Canal boat team will also be sharing their volunteering opportunities. We are looking for volunteers to help in a variety of areas, including tour guiding, costumed role play and welcoming visitors to our Visitor Centre. Volunteering can be a great experience to meet new people, learn something new or kick-start your career.

There will be a range of bookable 'mini tours' from 10:30am, every hour, allowing you to explore some behind the scenes spaces and chat to the staff and volunteers over tea and cake. Or you can say hello to the Georgian stone mason roaming the yard! Head up to the Visitor Centre to see the restoration journey of the site or speak to the

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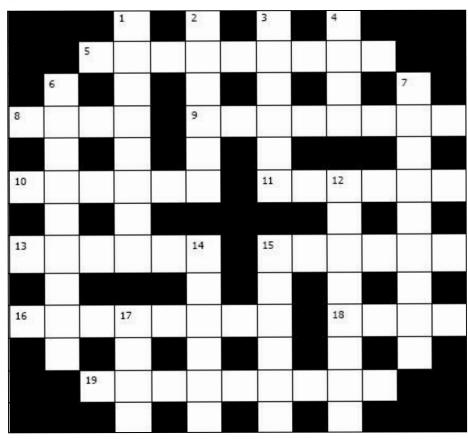
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CROSSWORD #114



Across:

5. A 4 found in loop reviled when going into reverse (9) 8. A 4. Air played in G? No, the reverse! (4) 9. Strangled, drag back around immoderate Earl. (8) 10. Bird is captured by priest working. (6) 11. A 4. Fat duke scoffed last of currant bun stuffed with ecstasy! (6) 13. Sidestep first, shimmy, leave ballroom ignoring the odds. (6) 15. Hobbit hugging a 4. (6) 16. A 4. He left - drop in first. (8) 18. A study for four. (4) 19. With envy, Jess almost ruined you all horribly. (9)

Answers to crossword No. 113

Answers to Crossword no. 113. Across: 5. Greenhorn. 8. Xosa. 9. Language (sorry about wrong definition - I mixed it up with 5 across!) 10. Owlish. 11. Samoan. 13. Eggnog. 15. Bonito. 16. Hawaiian. 18. Acne. 19. Icelandic. Down: 1. Croatian. 2. Wealth. 3. Chants. 4. Urdu. 6. Norwegian. 7. Eglantine. 12. Mandarin. 14. Grills. 15. Banana. 17. Arch.

Down: 1. A 4. Is uneasy with 13. (8) 2. A 4. Green mixed after black. (6) 3. Four surrounded by ducks? Yes! (6) 4. Left river, right? (4) 6. A 4. Soldier, support head of last half of bitter! (9) 7. Their dean ruptured? Yes! (9) 12. Force on the phone, clever, easy to converse with. (8) 14. Four in brown paper? (6) 15. Brute I wrestled for a 4. (6 17. A 4. Charge Zulu. (4)

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