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# Wilton Parish News



**SPRING**  
**March - May**  
**2020**



**Welcome to our 1st edition of 2020**  
**- our Parish Church's 175th Year!**

In this edition you will find details of events coming up soon - including some excellent **concerts in our Parish Church.**

There are details of special **services**, including those on **Mothering Sunday**, at **Easter** and our **Service of Commemoration**, held this year at the end of April..

At the beginning of March we will have begun the season of Lent, with **Palm Sunday** beginning Holy Week on **5th April**, and **Easter Sunday** on **12th April**.

The early **May Bank Holiday** is **Friday 8th** this year, and there will be special **displays in church** over the weekend leading into **Wilton's first Plant Festival (10 -16 May)**.

April/ May should also see the long-awaited renovation of our **Church Rooms**. Hopefully more news in the summer edition!

At the end of May we mark the third of the Church's major Festival **Pentecost ("Whit Sunday")** on **Sunday 31st May** - recalling Jesus' disciples being empowered by God's Holy Spirit, and praying that we may be equipped by the Spirit for the tasks God asks of us.

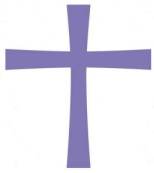
We are also looking forward to services of **Confirmation** and **"First Communion"**.

For many of our young people, May also marks the beginning of the main period of **public exams**., and all the strains and stresses that involves. If you're in the habit of praying - please do remember all candidates and their teachers!

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*Mondays 11-12: Wednesdays and Fridays 10-12*



# Church Services

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## **St. Mary & St. Nicholas, West Street, Wilton**

### **Sundays**

8.00 am Holy Communion

*(1st Sunday of the month at St. John's Priory)*

10.45 am Sung Eucharist

### **Monday - Saturday**

9.30am Morning Prayer

## **St. Catherine's, Netherhampton**

### **First and Third Sunday of the month:**

9.30 am Sung Matins

### **Second and Fourth Sunday of the month:**

9.30 am Holy Communion

## **St. Peter's, Fugglestone**

### **As advertised:**

Holy Communion - some Thursdays at 11.00am

Evensong - some Sundays at 6.00pm

## **St. John's Priory Chapel, Shaftesbury Road**

**Wednesday, 10.30 am Holy Communion** *(followed by coffee)*

**First Sundays only - 8.00am Holy Communion**



*Whether you visit us as a pilgrim or tourist,  
whether you are confident in your faith,  
curious to know more, or just plain sceptical -  
you will always be welcome in our churches.*



# 2020 Events!



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## WILTON CHURCH CONCERTS

**Saturday 7 March, 7.30pm**

**Salisbury Chamber Chorus**

**Bach *Magnificat* and Handel *Dixit Dominus***

**Simon McEnery** conductor

**Peter Toye** piano

Tickets £15 available on the door  
or online from Eventbrite (enter "Salisbury Chamber Chorus")

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**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 4pm**

**The Villiers Quartet:  
Music for Palm Sunday**

Ailsa Dixon - Variations on "Love Divine" (**world Premiere!**)  
Joseph Haydn - Seven Last Words from the Cross

Tickets £17.50 in advance: from Valley News Offices, West Street  
£20 on the door - with tea and cake after the performance -

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**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm**

**Cambridge Renaissance Voices**

**Josquin and his Legacy**

Tickets £13 in advance: from Valley News Offices, West Street  
£15 on the door. Refreshments available

**7<sup>th</sup> June, 4pm**

**James Gilchrist and Mark Eden:  
Songs of Mourning, Songs of Faith and Joy**



## "Special Services"!

**Mothering Sunday**, this year,  
falls on **22nd March**.

As always, this will be a day of mixed emotions. For many of us this means "Mother's Day" - a celebration of mothers and motherhood but which can also be a difficult time.

In its more traditional meaning, however, Mothering Sunday is a celebration of all the people who care for us and the support of "Mother" Church.

**If you can, please join us in church as we give thanks for the "mothering" of good friends and neighbours, young or old.**

**St Mary and St Nicholas', West St.**  
8.00am  
Holy Communion

10.45am  
Mothering Sunday Service

**St. Catherine's, Netherhampton**  
9.30am  
Mothering Sunday Service



**"In Sure and Certain Hope"**

**SUNDAY 26th April**  
at 4.00pm

A for Service remembering  
our loved ones who have died.

As we journey through the season of Easter, filled with the hope of Christ's resurrection from the dead, this gentle, reflective service provides an opportunity for us to remember and give thanks for "those we love but see no longer"

If you would us to remember a departed loved one by name, please complete one of the paper slips, available at the back of Church from Easter Day, and place it in the box provided.

**Whether you normally attend church or not, you are warmly invited to this service.**

**St. Mary & St. Nicholas' Church**



Mothering  
Sunday



## What's on?

### The Bible Book Club

*"Love books? Love book clubs?  
Welcome to Bible Book Club!"*

If you enjoy reading the Bible with others, or would like some help with making sense of what you read on your own, why not join one of our "Bible Book Club" groups?

Using the Bible Society's notes, we normally chose one book of the Bible each month.

From March we'll take an extended look at the Psalms - carrying us through Lent and Easter - a long read, but containing some of the most beautiful, and some of the most "human" writing in the Bible.

If you might like to take part please get in touch for details of times/locations available.



### Services at St. Peter's

**Thursdays 11.00am**

**Holy Communion**

12 & 26 March

23 April



The "World Day of Prayer" is held each year on the 1st Friday of March.

This year's material has been prepared by women in Zimbabwe.

Wilton's service will be held at Wilton Baptist Church on

6 March at 2.30pm.

All Welcome.

### *Young at Heart!*

*Our "Seniors' group"  
meets on some Fridays at  
Wilton Community Centre,  
from 2.30 – 4.00pm*

*6 March*

*20 March*

*3 April*

*1 May*

*15 May*

*Tea, cake and good company!!  
A variety of topics and activities.  
Open to all!*



# Holy Week and Easter 2020

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## **PALM SUNDAY (5<sup>th</sup> April)**

### **St Mary & St. Nicholas, Wilton**

Holy Communion	8.00am
Sung Eucharist and Procession of Palms	10.45am

### **St Catherine, Netherhampton**

Matins (BCP)	9.30am
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## **HOLY WEEK :**

**in St. Mary and St. Nicholas unless otherwise stated.**

### ***Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April***

Stations of the Cross	6.30pm
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### ***Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April***

Holy Communion at St. John's Priory	10.30am
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## **MAUNDY THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> April**

Chrism Mass – Salisbury Cathedral <i>(Renewal of Ministerial Vows and Blessing of Holy Oils)</i>	11.00am
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Eucharist and "The Watch" (until 8.30pm)	7.00pm
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## **GOOD FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> April**

Holy Communion	<b>9.00am</b>
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*We consume Bread and Wine blessed at the Maundy Thursday Eucharist.*

The Way of the Cross	11.00am
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*Ecumenical Procession of Witness*

*- from the Parish Church to St Peter's Churchyard.*

Meditations on the Cross – St. Catherine's	11.00am
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Liturgy of Good Friday	2.00pm
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*Meditation in words and music, led by the Parish Choir.*

## **HOLY SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> April** N.B. NO Morning Prayer today.





# Holy Week and Easter 2020



Christ is risen!  
**ALLELUIA**

## **EASTER DAY - Sunday 12th April**

**St Mary & St. Nicholas, West Street, Wilton**

Liturgy and First Eucharist of Easter

**Midnight**

*As Saturday turns to Easter Sunday, the Easter Beacon is lit.  
A flame is taken from the fire to light the new Paschal (Easter) Candle  
which is then carried into the darkened church to begin our celebrations.  
(Incense is used in this service.)*

**St. John's Priory, Shaftesbury Road, Wilton**

Holy Communion

**8.00am**

*A simple, "said" Easter Communion Service.*

**St Catherine, Netherhampton**

Holy Communion

**9.30am**

*A traditional Easter Communion Service, with hymns.*

**St Mary & St. Nicholas, West Street, Wilton**

Sung Eucharist

**10.45am**

*A joyful celebration for all the family - with giant egg included!*



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## PLANTING WILTON ON THE MAP!

### Wilton's first Plant Festival takes place from 10 – 16 May 2020

Wilton Community Land Trust and Town Council are supporting this celebration of the beauty and diversity of the natural world.

There will be an exciting range of FREE activities to enjoy:

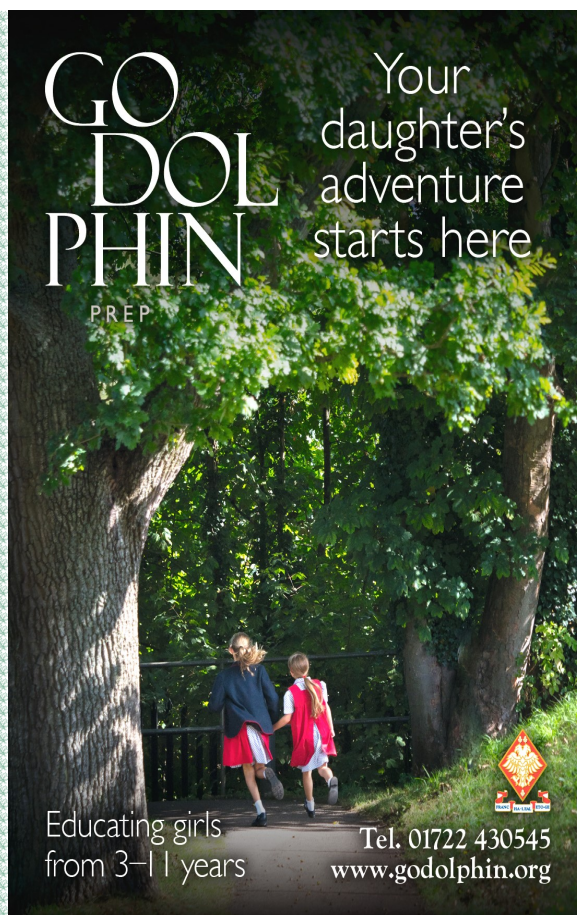
demonstrations, workshops, nature trails, exhibitions, live music, open gardens, window displays, quizzes and competitions, with a grand finale on Saturday 16th May on Castle Meadow. Further details from Wilton's very own Women in Wellies:

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## Volunteering and opportunities to get involved..

We have close links with local charities and community groups, and there are also a number of ways to be involved in our churches:

- our **Parish Choir** (adults) - Thursday evening rehearsals;
- our team of **Altar servers** (adults and young people age 8+);
- our team of **Ringers** - Monday evening practices;
- our team of **Sidespersons** - who ensure our services run smoothly;
- our **Flower arrangers** in all three churches;
- our **Gardening teams** - meeting periodically to tame excessive growth around our churches and **"Holy Dusters"** who tidy them inside!

**In our Anniversary year we would especially welcome more Church Guides** - to welcome our many visitors at the Parish Church.

We also welcome short-term volunteering by young people for **"D of E"**.



**For information on any of these, please enquire via the Parish Office.**





# Celebrating 175 Years, of ...



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*Welcoming young  
and older*



*Worship and Civic pride*



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