
Wilton Parish News



AUTUMN **Sept - Nov** **2021**



Welcome to our Autumn Edition !

There are a number of events planned for the next few months:
On **Saturday 11 September** local cyclists and walkers will take part in the annual "Ride and Stride" (for the Historic Churches Trust) and we hope that all of our churches will be open for visitors that day.

Alongside this, there will be another **Clothes exchange/ Bring and Buy** outside the Parish Church on West Street.

On **Sunday 19 September** we celebrate St Edith of Wilton - at both our 10.45 Service and at a special thanksgiving service, at 3pm, honouring Wilton's many community volunteers.

Harvest Thanksgiving will be held on **Sunday 3 October** - further details to follow.

Remembrance services will be held on
Thursday 11 November and **Sunday 14 November**

For other news and activities, and the latest developments, please visit our website: **wiltonparish.co.uk** ; or Facebook page: **@StMaryAndStNicholasChurchWilton** ; or contact the Parish Secretary, to **"sign up" to our "Weekly Update"** (by email each Wednesday.)

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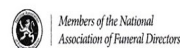
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The Mayor of Wilton, Cllr. Matthews, would like to make this year's **Mayors' Service**, an opportunity to give thanks for, and to, those who volunteered during the hardest moments of 2020/21.

There will be a short service in the Parish Church (St Mary and St Nicholas') on **19th September, at 3pm.**

Numbers may be restricted: to book a place, please contact the Parish Secretary (wiltonpcc@btinternet.com or 01722 742393), and leave your name and contact details,

Previous and current volunteers will hopefully receive a personal invitation — but there are hundreds of you!

Please don't be offended if you don't hear in time, and feel free to contact us anyway.

Come and worship!

If you haven't been back to church since lockdown, or are new, and would like to come along - **we'd love to see you** at any of our regular church services!

We are still working hard to make our churches both **safe and welcoming.**

At **Wilton** there are services every Sunday at 10.45, and also at 8.00 on 1st and 3rd Sundays.

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Help! Volunteer Gardeners Needed

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If you do Alabaré needs your help.



"You don't need to be a professional gardener to help,"
said Katrina Ffiske, Volunteer Co-ordinator. "We're looking for people
who are happy to just get stuck in, help with the mowing,
general weeding and caring for plants and vegetables.
Even a couple of hours work would make a difference."
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If you would like to volunteer there are opportunities in Salisbury
at The Veterans Home on London Road, Alabare Place, and in Barford
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What's new?

Early in the summer, we were very pleased to hear from John Coleman ("Ikon John") from Dorset, that he had recreated the "**Wilton Diptych**".

The Diptych is a mediaeval "panel painting", which was kept at Wilton House until 1929, and then sold to the National Gallery. It was painted for King Richard II, who is depicted kneeling before the Virgin Mary and infant Jesus, and presented to them by two English saints, King Edmund the Martyr and King Edward the Confessor; and St John the Baptist.



"Ikon John" with the Archbishop of Canterbury, discussing an earlier work.

John's copy is an exact replica, made with the same materials and techniques as the original. He visited us, in July, and presented his Diptych as a gift to the Parish Church. Sadly, less than two weeks after he brought it "home" to us, John died: and so we were very fortunate indeed to receive it, and it now feels an even more precious gift.

John's Icons can be found in churches and cathedrals across Europe.

His final work will now remain here in Wilton.

Welcomers needed!

So that we can open our Parish church again, during the week, we need to build up our team of "welcomers".

Ideally working in pairs, you would need to be able to commit to a couple of hours once a week/fortnight.

You don't need to be a church-goer, or even know that much about the detailed history of the building (there are guide books available!).

If you are proud of your local history and enjoy meeting a mix of new people (local and international) then this may be for you!

If interested please contact the Parish Secretary on:

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