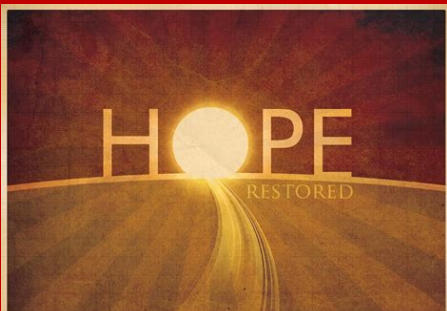

Wilton Parish News



WINTER 2021



Welcome to the last edition of 2021!

Inside you will find times of
all our Christmas services,
and news of some of our
social groups and activities.

At the beginning of December
we have just begun Advent -
a season of hope -
of expecting and longing
for God's love and truth
to break into our lives
and to show us the way
forward to something more.

Whatever your faith,
may you be blessed with hope
- this Advent, this Christmas
and beyond.

CHRISTMAS EVE: 24th DECEMBER

Services at:
11.30pm - Parish Church

CHRISTMAS DAY: 25th DECEMBER

Services at:
8.00 & 10.45 - Parish Church
9.30 - St Catherine's

EPIPHANY: 8th JANUARY

Services at:
8.00 & 10.45 - Parish Church
9.15 - St Catherine's

"CANDLEMAS": 30 JANUARY

10.45 - Parish Church

All Welcome!

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Mondays 11-12: Wednesdays and Fridays 10-12



Church Services

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

1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.45 am Morning Prayer

2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month

10.45 am Morning Prayer,
followed by Shorter Holy Communion

5th Sundays of the Month

10.45 am Sung Eucharist

Wednesdays

10.00 am Holy Communion

St. Catherine's, Netherhampton

1st Sunday of the month:

9.15 am Morning Prayer

2nd Sunday of the month:

9.15 am Holy Communion

3rd Sunday

5 pm* Evensong (* 3pm in winter)

St. Peter's, Fugglestone: As advertised

St. John's Priory Chapel, Shaftesbury Road

Thursdays 10.30 am 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*



Ramblings from the Rectory

At the end of October, we bade farewell to **Revd Caroline Titley**. She has contributed hugely to our churches and to the wider parish, serving as a Governor at our Primary School and a trustee of the Wilton Community Land Trust. She is now preparing to move to London, where she will be taking up a new post as Vicar of Barnsbury, near King's Cross.

Her licensing service will be at 4.30pm on Sunday 27 February



Caroline, with the "Home Communion" set presented by the congregations.

Regrettably, at about the same time we also lost our **heating** system in the Parish Church!

Repairs will not be complete until some time in the New year, so **please wrap up warmly for our Christmas Services.**

Please note the **change of phone number** of the front of this issue. As a cost cutting exercise, I intend to cancel my landline, as soon as I'm confident most people have discovered the mobile number. For the present you can reach me on either number - except on my day off (Mondays)!

It was very good to be able to mark Remembrance more normally this year, with members of the Royal British Legion, Youth Organisations and Town Councillors.

Very sadly, this was the last Parade with **Sheila and Natalie Clifford** as leaders of the Guides. They have been in post far longer than my 13 years here and deserve our thanks for all they have done for so many girls over the years.

(The main service with procession of standards, can still be seen via our website, Facebook or You tube.)



Ramblings from the Rectory

It's been good to see some **events** and **social groups** in action.

The half term break saw an evening of "Skittles and Pizza" for some of our families - and the personal achievement of second highest score was soured only by the fact that the top spot went to my wife! (Hopefully there will be a re-match sometime in the New Year)

"Young at Heart", our seniors' group, is now meeting again on one Friday afternoon each month - for tea, cake, conversation.

Our next meeting will be on **Friday 10 December**, 2.30-4pm, at Wilton Community Centre (Room 1). The Christmassy theme will be complemented by some visiting carol singers!

Our **"parent and toddlers"** group, **"The Hive"**, begins this month - meeting initially on Wednesday mornings only, and led by Tamsin Vallance (from Spurgeon's.)

We already have a waiting list for this group, but hope to offer more spaces soon.

We would ideally like to recruit more helpers -to help with parents' drinks and children's snacks.

If you might be able to help please contact me for more details.

Our men's group, **"Grapevine"**, meets every other month on a Wednesday evening in the WMSET Centre, with a guest speaker and a glass or two of wine. Our next meeting will be on **12 January - 7.30 - 9.00pm.**

Our **Mothers' Union** is also meeting again. Please contact Christine Matthews for details.

We managed just three **concerts** this year, but look forward to a more extensive programme in 2022 - with first visits by the Bath Bach Choir; The Cowbridge Welsh Male Voice Choir (yes, Cowbridge is in Wales!) and The Villiers Quartet, as well as the return of some familiar friends. Further details next Edition.

St John's Priory has nineteen retirement flats and cottages, on Shaftesbury Road, Wilton. Trustees recently elected Shaun Cowlam as their new Chair, and are also keen to recruit one or two more trustees, with good local knowledge, to ensure the welfare of all our residents. Further details from the clerk: stjohnswilton@tiscali.co.uk

With all best wishes for 2022!

Mark Won

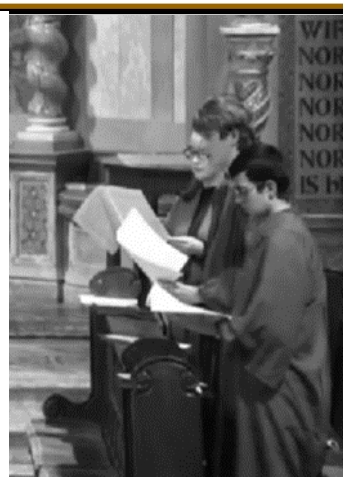


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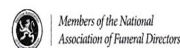
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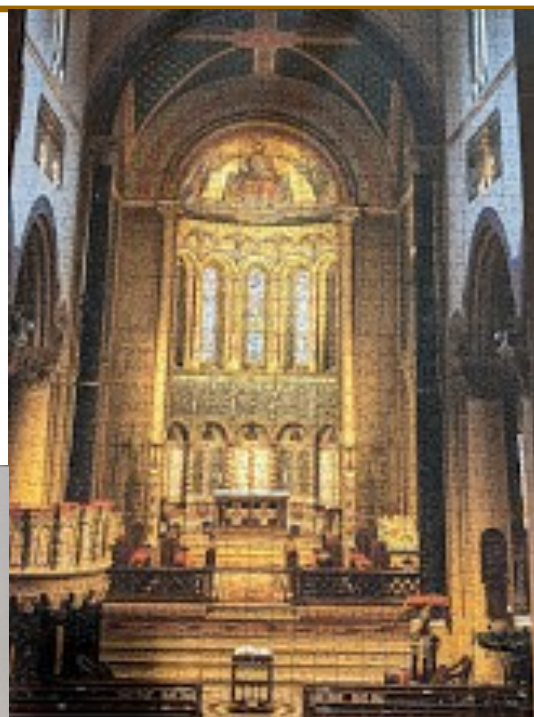
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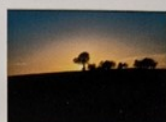
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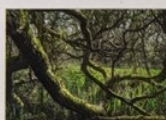
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ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH



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ROMAN ROAD, GROVELY WOOD



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FOLLY CLUMP AT SUNSET,
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APRIL
NEW GROWTH, NADDER RIVER



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RAPESEED FIELD, GROVELY WOOD



JUNE
WILTON BOWLS CLUB



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13TH EARL OF PEMBROKE AND
MONTGOMERY, WILTON HOUSE



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**ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH,
NETHERHAMPTON**

Sunday 19th December

6pm – Carol Service

A traditional service of "Lessons and Carols"

**WILTON PARISH CHURCH,
WEST STREET, WILTON**

Monday 20th December

7.30pm - Carol Service

Led by the Parish Choir and Schola Cantorum

Followed by festive refreshments.





CHRISTMAS 2021 FOR ALL THE FAMILY

WILTON PARISH CHURCH



CHRISTMAS EVE: Friday 24th December
11.30pm MIDNIGHT MASS

*Atmospheric First Eucharist of Christmas,
timed so that we receive Communion
just as Christmas day begins.*

CHRISTMAS DAY: Saturday 25th December
8.00am – HOLY COMMUNION
10.45am – CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

*An “all-age” service for Christmas Day.
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Saturday 25th December
9.30am – HOLY COMMUNION

*A “Prayer-Book” celebration of
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