

Dear Friends

We know this is a familiar letter to you all, but we are again asking for your help and support.

We are very fortunate to have a beautiful historic grade 1 listed Church in the village, which has always been supported by the community.

The Church has been there for hundreds of years to serve the village and community, but sadly after many years of repairs to the roof, this is no longer enough, and the whole roof needs to be replaced.

The roof in the chancel needs immediate attention as it is causing damage to the internal ceiling, and cracks are appearing, and plaster beginning to come loose. To this end a net has been put in place to catch any falling plaster for the immediate time being.

We have been advised by the architect to look at the bigger picture, and whilst having the roof made good, it's a wonderful opportunity to install a toilet in the vestry, and a small kitchen area in the back of the nave, which will make the Church more accessible for use by the whole community.

Obviously, this will be a huge financial undertaking, in the region of £350,000-£400,000. Grants will be applied for, but like any undertaking, we need to show our commitment, and raise a proportion ourselves.

St Johns is part of our lives, the heart of the village, our heritage to be treasured and loved. It is a place of peace and calm in our busy lives, for us all to use in both sad and happy times.

If you feel you can help with a financial contribution a gift aid form is enclosed. Or you may feel you would like to sponsor a tile for £25 and the relevant form is also enclosed.

Fund raising is very important, and if you feel you can help in any way or hold a fund-raising event, however big or small, it will make a worthwhile contribution.

Please help if you are able. We look forward to receiving your thoughts and comments.

Yours very sincerely,
Wickhamford PCC

Gift Aid It

I wish gift aid to be claimed on this donation.

I am a UK tax payer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of gift aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility pay the difference.

St John the Baptist Church, Wickhamford

Title.....First name.....Surname.....

Address.....

Postcode.....Date.....

Gift aid is reclaimed from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a UK tax payer.

Sponsor a tile

If you wish to sponsor a roof tile and have your name written on the back of the tile, please let us know, when you make a minimum donation of £25.

**RETURN THESE FORMS, WITH YOUR DONATION, TO CAROLE COLLIS,
83 Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow, Evesham WR11 7UZ 01386 882018**

**Raise the Roof
at
St John the Baptist Church,
Wickhamford**



Get involved with the future
of this community's ancient church.

To find out more come along to
an information event at St Johns.

- Friday, 1st July 2pm – 4pm or
- Saturday, 2nd July 10am – 12 noon

**Wine and Nibbles evening
15th July 7 – 9 pm
in the Memorial Hall**

This social event is to draw the raffle which has been circulating the village.

The Rev. Shellie Ward will give a summary of what is proposed for the repair and refurbishment of St Johns and answer any questions.

The cost is £10 per ticket to include a glass of wine and a plate of nibbles. It's your church so do come along to get involved and have your say.

Tickets are available from:

Carole Collis 01386 882018

Ken Maden 01386 830510