

# PILTON CHURCH



FLOWER FESTIVAL

on Healers

IN CHURCH - SATURDAY & SUNDAY

20-21 JULY 85

### Explanation

The theme of our Flower Festival is 'HEALING'. The Christian believes that Jesus makes us whole in mind, body and spirit. This is something to celebrate, and in a PROLOGUE the Sunday School have decorated the porch with a happy riot of colour....

Please follow the map to view the arrangements in the correct order.

### Section A ... 'The Need for Healing'

1. To the left of the door ... suggesting a distress and emptiness without God's healing.
- 2 & 3 Inside pillars ... expressing our yearning for God and the anguish of his suffering to redeem us (Psalm 42 and Isaiah 53-55)
4. At the cross aisle centre on the low table ... remembering our need to pray in faith (James 5-15)

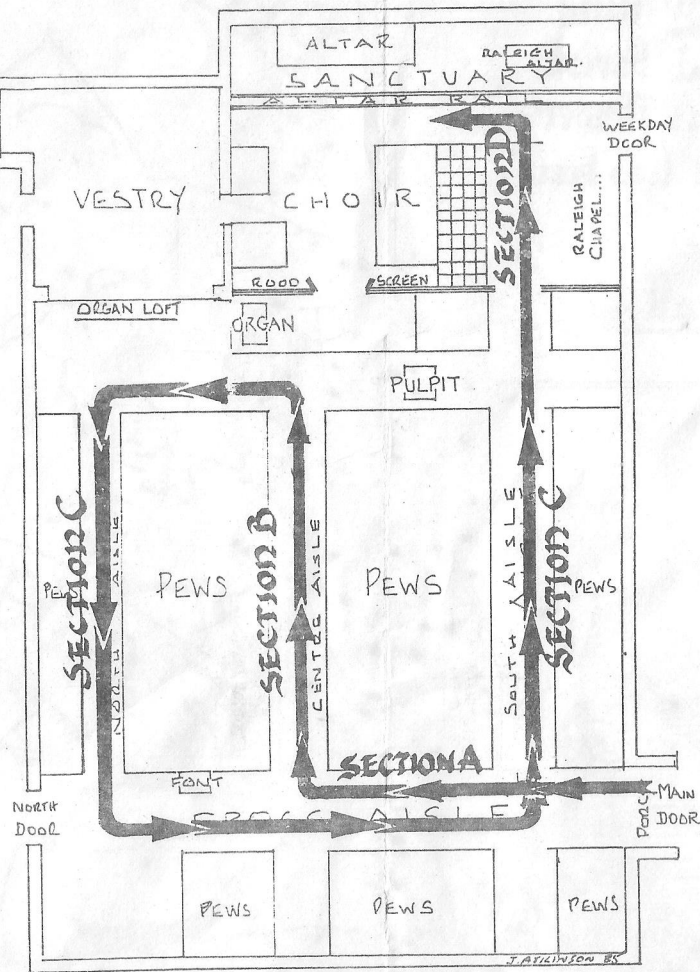
### Section B ... In Praise of Healing

1. Arrangements on the centre pew-ends ... as tiny expressions of joy for God's care and help (Psalm 103-3)
2. Pulpit ... Jesus is anointed to proclaim wholeness to the world (Luke 4-18)
3. Lectern ... The Tree of Life in the New Jerusalem suggests God's continuity and constancy (Revelation 22-2)
4. The Rood Screen Archway ... The name of Jesus brings healing (Acts 3-6)

### Section C ... 'The Healing of Jesus'

Ten main arrangements around the walls of the Church:

1. Pillar near organ ... The famous 'praying hands' theme reminds us that Jesus called out the faith of those to be healed (Matthew 4-15)
2. Below organ loft ... The centurion's servant is healed (Luke 7-6)
3. North Aisle centre ... Blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10-46)
4. Children's Corner, behind font ... Jairus' daughter (Mark 5-41)
5. Font ... The pool Bethesda (John 5-2)
6. North Rear of Church ... The widow's son of Nairz (Luke 7-13)
7. South Rear of Church ... Old Leper Squint ... The cleansing of the Ten Lepers (Luke 17-17)
8. Rear South Aisle window sill ... The man called Legion (Luke 8:30)
9. South Centre window ... The Woman with an issue of blood (Matthew 9-21)
10. South Aisle screen window ... The Good Samaritan (Luke 10-33)



### SECTION D ... The Church as a Healing Community

1. Raleigh Chapel doorway, inside left ... Icon of St. Pantaleon the Physician, and arrangement by the Orthodox Church who meet in the Ladywell Chapel here.
2. Window showing Ten Lepers, St. Luke and St. Margaret commemorating the Hospital of St. Margaret, Pilton founded 800 years ago ... Arrangement by Staff of the North Devon District Hospital, Raleigh Park, Pilton.
3. Raleigh Chapel Sanctuary Window ... Arrangement by members of the local branch of the North Devon Hospice Care Trust.
4. Raleigh Altar ... Seal of the Leper Hospital of the Blessed Margaret, Pilton depicted in flowers.
5. Main Sanctuary ... Pillar arrangements to commemorate the Archangel Raphael (Hebrew for God has healed) and St. Luke the beloved Physician (Colossians 4-14).

These main arrangements have been undertaken by friends and parishioners of Pilton Church. Other arrangements have been prepared by Ashford Church, the Sunday School, Brownies and Guides, the Youth Fellowship, Mothers Union, Orthodox Church, members of the Hospice Care Trust and the North Devon District Hospital. Thank you to each of them and to all who have donated flowers and materials.

### A prayer for Healing to say at the Altar Rail

"God, the source of all health: so fill our hearts with faith in thy love, that with calm expectancy we may make room for thy power to possess us, and gracefully accept thy healing; through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen."

The Lady Well behind the church, is also dressed with flowers.

