Aims of the Festival

This is the second time the Festival has been held, fulfilling our principal aim to showcase very high quality performances of recent and contemporary liturgical and organ music, in the context of both services and concerts. The Festival is an annual, week-long event around St Pancrastide (12th May). Our subsidiary aims are as follows:

- To encourage and enthuse people to experience such music in live performance rather than through recorded media.
- To add to the living tradition through newly commissioned works.
- To provide a platform for composers to present and, hopefully, to discuss their work.

Patrons: The Rt Revd Richard Chartres – Bishop of London The Rt Revd Peter Wheatley – Bishop of Edmonton Mr Michael Berkeley Professor Sebastian Forbes

A message from the Vicar

"Sing to the Lord a new song," says the psalmist. Our hope is that our second Festival of Contemporary Church Music will make another significant contribution to ensuring that there are new songs that can be sung to the Lord, contemporary music that, alongside the great music of the past, will deepen our praise of the living God, and will draw us further into the mystery of His redeeming love.

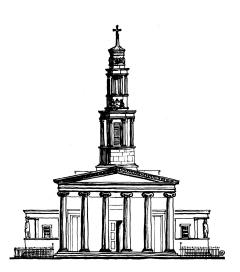


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The London Festival of Contemporary Church Music



10th – 18th May 2003 at St Pancras Parish Church Euston Road London NW1

Saturday, 10th May

19.30 Concert THE CHRIST An Oratorio by Paul Ayres The Petrus Singers and Ensemble Notting Hill and Ealing High School Junior Chamber Choir admission £10, concessions £7, under 16s free

Sunday, 11th May

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

10.00 Sung Eucharist for St Pancrastide Preacher: The Right Revd Jim Thompson, formerly Bishop of Bath and Wells Introit: O be joyful in the Lord – Michael Berkeley Mass: Mass for Five Voices – Lennox Berkeley Motet: How lovely is your dwelling place – Ned Rorem

18.00 Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Revd Emma Pennington, Assistant Priest, St Nicholas, Shepperton Introit: In beauty may I walk – Jonathan Dove Responses: Ives Canticles: Christ Church Canticles – Robert Saxton Anthem: Rejoice in the Lamb - Britten

Monday, 12th May

13.15 Lunchtime Recital

Celebrity Organ Recital given by Jeremy Filsell Including works by Pamela Decker, Sebastian Forbes, Francis Pott, and Noel Tredinnick admission free

Tuesday, 13th May

13.15 Lunchtime Recital Philip Mead – piano Celtic Brass Quintet directed by Christopher Batchelor including Trompettes de mort (2001) – Margaret Lucy Wilkinson (World Premiere) Southern Lament (1997) – Stephen Montague Interplay I (revised 1996) – Sebastian Forbes admission free

Thursday, 15th May

13.15 Contemporary Dance Event

A programme of contemporary dance by students from the London School of Contemporary Dance (The Place) *admission free*

19.00 Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Revd Mark Oakley, Priest-in-charge, St Paul, Covent Garden Introit: Strengthen ye the weak hands – David Buckley Responses: Pott Canticles: Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis – James Macmillan Anthem: O be joyful in the Lord – Paul Ayres

Friday, 16th May

14.30 Composers' Masterclass

led by Francis Pott (Head of Composition, London College of Music and Media) and Diana Burrell (Guildhall School of Music and Drama)

17.30 Performance of new works from the afternoon masterclass

The Choir of St Pancras Church, directed by Christopher Batchelor *admission free*

Saturday, 17th May

- 19.30 Pre-concert talk by Antony Pitts
- 20.00 Festival Concert

The Choir of St Pancras Church directed by Christopher Batchelor Crucifixus pro nobis – Kenneth Leighton Te Deum – Arvo Part Three Easter Anthems – Antony Pitts Three Prayers of Dietrich Bonhoeffer – Philip Moore admission £8, concessions £6

Sunday, 18th May

10.00 Sung Eucharist

Preacher: Canon Jeffrey John, Canon Theologian and Chancellor, Southwark Cathedral Introit: I will lift mine eyes unto the hills – Andrew McBirnie

Mass: Missa Brevis – Jonathan

Harvey Motet: Christus Vincit – James MacMillan

18.00 Choral Evensong

Preacher: Prebendary Paul Hawkins, Vicar of St Pancras Introit: A meditation – Francis Pott Responses: Christopher Batchelor (new work) Canticles: St Pancras Canticles – Antony Pitts (Festival Commission) Anthem: Alleluia – Diana Burrell