



Christmas Lunchtime Concert



Saturday 7th December, 12.30-1.00pm

'Mini Messiah'



- CHORUS: And the glory of the Lord
- RECIT: Comfort ye, my people
- ARIA: Ev'ry valley
- RECIT: Behold a virgin shall conceive
- CHORUS: O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion
- Pastoral Symphony (Instrumental)
- CHORUS: For unto us a child is born
- ARIA: Rejoice greatly
- ARIA: How beautiful are the feet
- ARIA: I know that my redeemer liveth
- CHORUS: Hallelujah!

Dates for your diary:

- **Choral Eucharist:** Sun 8 Dec, 10.30am – Music by Goldschmidt, Palestrina and Stopford. A free event, all welcome.
- **Nine Lessons & Carols:** Sat 21 Dec, 4.30pm. A free event, all welcome.
- **Choral Midnight Mass:** Tue 24 Dec, 11.30pm – Music by Schubert, Will Todd, Adolphe Adam. A free event, all welcome.

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The Performers:

Sopranos: Hayley England, Catherine Harris, Sarah Palfreman-Kay
Altos: Natalie Burton, Sarah Miller
Tenor: Paul Heaslip
Basses: Kevin Drewitt, Geoffrey Smail
Musicians: Cosmo Gamaggio Schafer, Bryony Smith (violins) & Ian Davis (continuo)

Handel's Messiah was composed in 1741. The oratorio — which sets a libretto by Charles Jennens using texts drawn from the bible — divides, broadly, into three sections focusing on Christ's birth, crucifixion and resurrection. Today's 'Mini Messiah' unashamedly (and rather impurely) draws from across the work to present some of the best-loved arias and choruses from this Christmas favourite!

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