



Oxford Area: Oxfordshire District

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ANNUAL DIOCESAN CHOIRS' FESTIVAL

Saturday, 12th October, 2019, 2 - 6 pm

St Mary's Church, Henley, Oxon. RG9 2AU

Conductor Paul Hale
Organist Emeritus, Southwell Minster

Organist Sebastian Thomson
Organist, Henley St Mary

Preacher Revd Jeremy Tayler,
Rector, Henley St Mary

You are invited to take part in the Oxford Area's Annual Festival, which takes place in **St Mary's, Henley, Oxon**, by kind permission of the Rector.

Timetable

2.00 pm Assemble	4.45 pm Re-assemble, robed for Service
2.15 pm Rehearsal	5.00 pm Festival Evensong
4.00 pm Break	6.00 pm End of Festival

To apply: Complete the form below and send it with your remittance to Janet Low, 3 Sheepway Court, Iffley, Oxford OX4 4JL (01865 777257 or janetcllow@gmail.com), as soon as possible **but not later than 14th September 2019**.

Please complete **all** parts of the form; make cheques payable to **RSCM Oxford**.

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To: Janet Low, 3 Sheepway Court, Iffley, Oxford. OX4 4JL

Affiliate/Individual Member/Friend.....

Contact Name.....

Address.....

.....Post Code.....

Tel. No. Email.....

We will bring.....singers made up of:

Juniors (u-18 on day of Festival)..... Sopranos Altos

Tenors Basses

Please supplycopies of the *Service Booklet* at **£10** each for adults, **£8** for juniors (**cheques to RSCM Oxford**)

Signed.....(Responsible Adult). Date.....

The Music

<i>Introit</i>	Jesu, the very thought of thee - Bairstow
<i>Responses</i>	William Smith (5 part)
<i>Office Hymn</i>	Sun of my soul - Abends
<i>Psalm</i>	66 Chant – Robert Ashfield
<i>Canticles</i>	Stanford in C
<i>Anthem</i>	How lovely are thy dwellings fair - Brahms
<i>Hymn</i>	Tell out my soul – Woodlands (descant Paul Hale)

Rehearsals

All singers **must** attend at least one of the pre-Festival rehearsals: details will be advised shortly but we hope to hold two 'learning sessions' (as in 2018) possibly at Buckingham and Deddington. There will be two regular rehearsals as well, possibly at Headington and Henley. Venues, dates and times will be put on to the website page as soon as possible.

Music will be available shortly. Choir trainers are asked to ensure that their singers know their notes before the two regular rehearsals.

Robed and unrobed choirs are equally welcome. Robes should be worn for the rehearsal (cassocks only) and service on 12th October, but not for the pre-Festival rehearsals. Individuals and members of non-affiliated choirs are also welcome, if space allows

Cost

- The Festival Service Booklet costs £10 for adults and £8 for juniors (under 18 on the day of the Festival)
- It is hoped to provide tea in the break; this and any cost will be advised as soon as possible.
- Booking will begin in March this year (cheques should be made payable to *RSCM Oxford*) - we encourage you to book as early as you can, if possible well **before the deadline date of 14th September**, to allow sufficient time for all arrangements to be made. (Bear in mind that the organisers will probably be on holiday in August and requests made then may not get a speedy response!)

Parking

There are several public car parks in or near the centre of the town, including one behind Waitrose and one at the station. There is no parking at the church itself.

PLEASE

**publicise the Festival in your churches and parishes,
and invite families & friends to attend the Festival Evensong!**