

St. Bartholomew's Choir

September 18, 1996

Dear Choir Friend,

We have returned to full activity after the summer break and there are quite a few new faces filling the choir stalls.

New Boys We are delighted to welcome seven new boys -

Sam Boles	Chris Lawson
Andrew Dempsey	Robert Lindsay
Ben Doherty ✓	Rosa Traynor
Sean Fitzpatrick	

Men Brian Gageby has stepped up into the baritone line and is learning the ropes beside Robin Heather. He is so welcome and we realise how fortunate we are that so many boys clearly love singing in St. Bartha choir and move into the men's section without wishing for a break.

We are also very fortunate to welcome newcomer bass, Michael Ganly to the choir as he familiarises himself with our very wide repertoire.

**Friends of the Choir Evensong
Dedication Festival
Sunday October 5 at 7.00pm**

This is now an annual service, followed by a reception with refreshments afterwards in the Parish Room.

We particularly appeal to all Former Choristers to consider this as a reunion. Then equally we invite all our Choir Friends and supporters. This extends in a special way to choirboys parents and relations - so lets have a really big turn out this year.

Liam Lyons We congratulate Liam who has been accepted into Exeter Cathedral Choir and will study at Exeter University.

We will miss Liam and his exuberant personality very much. We remember his earlier choirboy days through to seeing him win the Gerard Victory Prize for a composition then performed in Dublin Castle by the National Chamber Choir.

The Choir and Choir friends made a presentation to him following the Sung Eucharist, September 15 - a smart looking Cross pen and someone gave him a 'Micky Mouse' alarm clock !

Boys for National Concert Hall The Culwick Choral Society have invited the choirboys to join them in their Christmas Concert Thursday December 12. This should be a great experience for the boys but of course many of them have sung there before with the Guinness Choir.

David Lee National Concert Hall
Organ Recital Friday October 25. 6-7pm

David who is a former organist and choir master of St. Bartholomew's gives one of a series of recitals in which Bach's complete organ works will be performed.

Congratulations to Fr. John and Rhona on becoming Grandparents. They are surely 'over the moon' as they travel to the USA to take part in the baptism of Conor Andrew McKay!

Bobby Barden



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