

# St. Bartholomew's Choir

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## Paris Trip 2004

The choir will be making its second trip to Paris in Easter 2004. This is a huge undertaking, but all those who were on the previous trip in 1998 will remember just how rewarding the trip actually was. Several photographs from the previous trip are available on the parish web site, with one taken at Chartres Cathedral reproduced opposite.

Flights have been booked for all participants, leaving Dublin on Tuesday 13th April and returning late afternoon on Sunday 18th April. Venues and further details will be announced closer to the time.

## Music Binding

A special word of thanks to Martin Hilliard who, together with a small team of enthusiasts, has undertaken the task of re-binding endless services and anthems from our choir library.

Sheet music has become very expensive, and this work will ensure that the copies last.



On the steps of Chartres Cathedral - April 1998

## Elgin Chorale

There was an unusual departure from the normal summer choral arrangements this year with the establishment of the "Elgin Chorale".

This chorale, formed of both male and female singers from within the Parish and further afield, performed on three Sundays in July and one in August.

Despite being a scratch choir, the musical standards were very high and this was very much down to the talents of the three conductors (yes three) that oversaw the four weeks!

Many thanks to Andrew Mackriell (week 1),

David Falconer (weeks 2 & 3) and Manus O'Donnell (week 4). Also, thanks should go to all the singers who gave of their time to sit indoors during those sunny summer mornings. In particular, I would like to thank the Hilliards, the Dempseys and the Fergusons - three of our parishes many musical families, who provided much of the large amount of talent on show!

Hopefully the Elgin Chorale will become a regular part of the summer months at St Bartholomew's.

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## **Changing Faces**

Once again it is time to welcome a number of new boys to the choir. Sebastian O'Shea Ferrar and Owen Meldon are joining us from another choir. We are also welcoming Rupert Adams, Denis Casey, Cameron Duffy, Devin O'Shea Farran, Alexis Fitzgerald, Jack Garvey, Alexander Harvey, Oisín Kenna, and Barra McCarthy.

Conor Mc Dermott has moved into the alto line, and will be followed in October by Killian Rogan. Des Ryan

has returned to the choir after a year studying in Toronto. Ian Meldon has also joined the tenor line.

Ian Ellis is leaving us for a year to study Information Systems in the London School of Economics. Ian has made a substantial contribution to many things within the Parish as a whole, ranging from organising the Elgin Chorale to working on the parish web site.

## **Dedication Festival Evensong**

The annual Dedication Festival Evensong takes place on Sunday October 5th at 7:00pm. The setting will be Stanford in A, with Blessed City, Heavenly Salem (Bairstow) as the anthem. The preacher for the evening is Fr. Alan Matchett. Fr. Matchett is the curate in the joint parish of St. Bridget's

Stillorgan and All Saints Blackrock.

As usual we will be using this special evensong to remember past choristers and organists. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. The service will be followed by a cup of tea or a glass of wine.

## **Vierne Messe Solennelle**

The choir performed Vierne's Messe Solennelle for the first time at the Corpus Christi Eucharist on June 18th.

This piece is rarely heard in public, because it is set for not one, but two Organs and Choir. Playing the Organ part in St

Bartholomew's required a certain amount of creativity on the part of the Organist, but Andrew Mackriell was well up to the job.

A recording of the Kyrie has been made available for download from the parish web site.

## **New Organ Scholar**

Although he only accompanied his first service with us during the month of August, Eoghan Ward has been busy practicing almost every morning before work. We all welcome him and wish him well in his new role.

His life will be made easier by a new addition to the Organ console. Choir members may have noticed a video screen, which has been installed beside the console to allow the Organist to see the conductor reliably.

## **Graham Jones**

Former chorister Graham Jones was married to Louise Dunne on Friday September 26th in St Catherine's Church, Thomas Street.

The reception was in Glenart Castle, near Arklow. We wish them every happiness in the future.

The anthem at the service was Laudate Dominum by Mozart, with Sebastian Adams singing the treble solo.

We were delighted to welcome back former Vicar, Fr. John McKay as preacher.

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### Sunday 5th October - Dedication Festival

#### **11:30am: Solemn Eucharist**

Service: Little Organ Mass (*Haydn*)

Motet: I was glad (*Parry*)

Organ: Symphony No. 2 - 1st Movement (*Vierne*)

#### **7:00pm: Choral Evensong (Full Choir)**

Responses: *Lucas*

Psalm: 122

Service: *Stanford* in A

Anthem: Blessed City, Heavenly Salem (*Bairdston*)

### Sunday 12th October - 17th Sunday after Trinity

#### **11:30am: Sung Eucharist**

Service: Missa O Quam Gloriosum (*Victoria*)

Motet: Tantum Ergo (*Durufle*)

Organ: Trio Sonata No. 1 (*Bach*)

#### **7:00pm: Choral Evensong (Men's Voices)**

Responses: *Tallis*

Psalm: 90

Service: *Sunston* in G

Anthem: View me Lord (*Wood*)

### Sunday 19th October - Harvest Festival

#### **11:30am: Solemn Eucharist**

Service: *Ireland* in C

Motet: The Lord hath been mindful of us (*Wesley*)

Organ: Sonata No. 1 - 1st Movement (*Guilman*)

#### **7:00pm: Choral Evensong (Girls Choir)**

Responses: *Smith*

Psalm: 65

Service: *Dyson* in F

Anthem: For the beauty of the earth (*Rutter*)

### Sunday 26th October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

#### **11:30am: Sung Eucharist**

Service: *Stanford* in C and F

Motet: Sicut Cervus (*Palestrina*)

Organ: Sonata No. 1; 1st Movement (*Mendelssohn*)

#### **7:00pm: Choral Evensong (Men's Voices)**

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 34

Service: *Hyllton Stewart* in C

Anthem: Alone with none but thee (*Grancock*)

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