

Singing Day 2015

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete both sides of this form and return with your cheque, made payable to **St George's Singers Poynton**, to:
Gillian Banks, 55 Field Lane, Appleton, Warrington, WA4 5JR.
For more information tel 01925 213949,
email gillian.m.banks@gmail.com.

If you would like confirmation that your place has been reserved, please provide your email address below, or send a stamped, addressed envelope with your registration form.

Title First name

Last name

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Please give details of any choir with whom you sing regularly.

FUTURE SINGING DAYS
I would like to receive future mailings from St George's Singers and I understand that my name and address will not be disclosed to any other organisation.

I would like to receive this information by:

Email Post (please tick one)

If possible please select email, to reduce postal costs. Thank you.

St George's Singers is a busy, friendly choir, and is widely recognised as one of the most enterprising and innovative choirs in the North of England.

St George's Singers was formed in Poynton, Cheshire in 1956 with 23 founding members from the local community. Today, the Choir has around 100 members who travel from Cheshire, Derbyshire, Yorkshire and Greater Manchester, and performs an extensive and varied repertoire, including baroque, classical, jazz, modern and newly commissioned choral works. Concert venues include Bridgewater Hall, Royal Northern College of Music, Gorton Monastery, Manchester Cathedral and St George's Church Stockport, and the Choir tours regularly in the UK and overseas.

Think you'd like to join St George's Singers?

New voices always welcome!

The Choir rehearses every Tuesday at 7.30pm in St George's Church Hall, Poynton. If you'd like to come along to our rehearsals, please contact the Choir Secretary, Jacqui Smith on 01625 533779, email enquiries@st-georges-singers.org.uk.

PLEASE BECOME OUR FRIEND!

Join the Friends of St George's Singers, and for just £15 (Red Rose) or £30 (Gold Rose), you'll receive benefits including regular prize draws, reserved seats, free transport to city centre concerts where available, invitation to our Annual Friends Reception and much more. To become a Friend, contact Barbara Forshaw, 0161 442 9370, or email friends@st-georges-singers.org.uk.

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 St George's Singers



St George's Singers is a registered charity (no 508686) and a member of Making Music, the National Federation of Music Societies



Saturday 17 January 2015
St George's Church
London Road, Poynton
9.30 am registration, 6.00 pm concert

St George's Singers Singing Day 2015

Mozart: Coronation Mass
Haydn: Te Deum

**Our Singing Day sells out quickly
– book early to secure your place!**

Musical Director Neil Taylor
Accompanist Jeffrey Makinson
Soloists Ella Taylor, Cara Cullen
Timothy Langston
Jonathan Ainscough

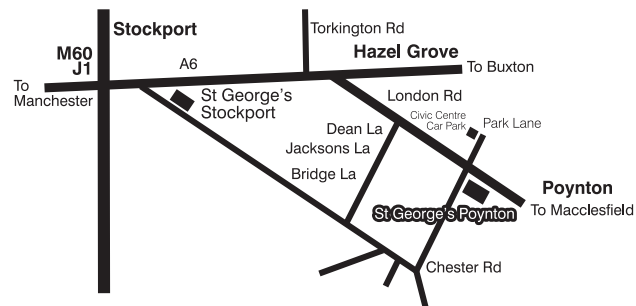
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St George's Church,
London Road, Poynton SK12 1AF

St George's Church has limited parking.
Please use Civic Hall car park if possible (5 minutes walk), located behind Waitrose on Park Lane.



9.30	Registration and coffee
10.15	Rehearsal
12.15	Lunch*
1.30	Rehearsal
3.00	Afternoon Tea
3.30	Rehearsal
4.45	Close**
5.45	Assemble for warm-up
6.00	Concert (duration approx. 1 hour, casual dress)

*St George's Singers' famous and delicious homemade food (soup, rolls) is available to purchase at lunchtime, and cakes will be served with afternoon tea.

**Tea/coffee will be available between end of rehearsals and pre-concert assembly.

Please bring some friends along to the concert!
Tickets £5 (£1 students).

About Neil Taylor

The Conductor for our Singing Day is **Neil Taylor**, a highly experienced choral conductor and musical director as well as an acclaimed organist.

A former chorister of Bradford Cathedral, Neil won a scholarship to the RCM in 1986. He was Organ Scholar at St Albans Cathedral and Assistant Organist at Norwich Cathedral before moving to Sheffield Cathedral in 1997, where he is Director of Music. He has directed and assisted at choral courses in Aldeburgh, Austria, Italy and Mexico, as well as the famous Eton Choral Courses. Neil joined St George's Singers as Musical Director in 2006, and since then has guided the Choir through many critically acclaimed performances at Bridgewater Hall, RNCM, Gorton Monastery, and on successful tours in the UK and abroad.

Neil is also Musical Director of The Sheffield Chorale.

ST GEORGE'S SINGERS 2014-15 Season

Saturday 15 November 2014, 7.30 pm
St George's Church, Buxton Road, Stockport
Requiem for the Fallen

Saturday 6 December 2014, 7.00 pm
St George's Church, Buxton Road, Stockport
Carols and Brass by Candlelight

Saturday 7 March 2015, 7.30 pm
Royal Northern College of Music, Oxford Road, Manchester
**Bach Magnificat,
Buxtehude Membra Jesu nostri**

Sunday 21 June 2015, 7.30 pm
The Monastery, Gorton, Manchester
Elgar Dream of Gerontius

Tickets available from the Ticket Hotline 01663 764012, by email at tickets@st-georges-singers.org.uk, or online at www.st-georges-singers.org.uk (go to Online Tickets).

Season tickets, group discounts, concessions and student rates available for all concerts.

About the music

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–91) completed his *Coronation Mass* in 1779, when he was court organist and composer at Salzburg Cathedral. The mass, a 'missa brevis' or short mass, was premiered there on Easter Sunday 1779, but didn't acquire its nickname until after a performance conducted by Salieri in 1791 in Prague at the coronation of Leopold II as King of Bohemia – after which it became the preferred music for royal and imperial coronations.

Leopold was succeeded by his son, Francis, whose wife Marie Thérèse was an important patron of music at the Viennese court. No mean singer herself, she commissioned the *Te Deum for Empress Marie Thérèse* from **Josef Haydn** (1732–1809) in 1799, but it was not performed until 1800, when it was premiered at Eisenstadt to celebrate the arrival of Admiral Nelson.

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Please register me to sing:

Soprano Alto Tenor Bass

The Singing Ticket price includes music hire, morning coffee and afternoon tea (including cakes). Home-made soup and sandwiches will be available to purchase for lunch, price £4.

Note: editions used will be Novello (Mozart) and OUP (Haydn).

	No.	Price	Total cost
Singing ticket including music hire		£22	£
Student singing including music hire		£4	£
Concert tickets		£5	£
Concert tickets - Student		£1	£
TOTAL			£

How did you hear about this Singing Day?

- SGS choir member Other participant
- SGS season brochure Flyer / poster (please state where seen)
- SGS website
- Another website Other (please describe)
- Mailing / email from SGS
- Local press

Our Singing Day has been fully booked for the last three seasons - so please book early to secure your place.

For more information about St George's Singers, to see details of concerts, read reviews, and find out about all our other activities, please visit our website at www.st-georges-singers.org.uk, where you can sign up to our mailing list

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