

Newbury and District Organists' Association

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Newbury & District Organists' Association, (NDOA), founded in 1980, aims to encourage interest in organ music amongst players and all enthusiasts. A recital is given by visiting organists, from the local area and further afield, at St. Nicolas Church, Newbury, on the second Thursday of each month, except May and in December when it is held at Newbury Methodist Church. Playing visits are made to other organs and enthusiasts are welcome at these events too.

2023 THURSDAY ORGAN RECITALS AT 1:10pm at St. Nicolas, Newbury

MARCH 9th	Chris Totney (Director of Music at St Benet Fink Church, Tottenham & Development Assistant for Britten Sinfonia)
APRIL 13th	Christopher Sears (St. John the Evangelist, Newbury)
JUNE 8th	Alistair Davis (St. John, Stockcross)
JULY 13th	Rosemary Evans (St. Alphage, Burnt Oak, Edgware)
AUGUST 10th	James Paget (St. Mary Magdalene-in-Paddington)
SEPTEMBER 14th	Stephen Holmes (St. Michael & All Angels', Lambourn)
OCTOBER 12th	Roy Woodhams (Rector & Area Dean, Cranleigh, Surrey)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Many thanks to St. Nicolas Parochial Church Council & Newbury Methodist Church for the use of the venues and facilities, and to the people who work behind the scenes to make these recitals enjoyable.

**NDOA Performance Training Day with Ann Elise Smoot
on Saturday 22nd April 2023—10.00am—13.00pm
at Newbury Methodist Church**

Friday 17 March, 12.30 - 1.15pm Minster Church of St Mary the Virgin, Reading.
Organ Recital by Robert Jones (St Bride, Fleet Street). Admission free. Retiring collection.

Tuesday 4 April, 8pm St Lawrence Church, Alton, GU34 2BW. Organ recital by Travis Baker (St Leonard's Church, Streatham). Refreshments available from 7.30pm. Admission £10
Contact 07928 516052 or tony.willman@mac.com for further details. .

Friday 21 April, 12.30 - 1.15pm Minster Church of St Mary the Virgin, Reading.
Organ Recital by **Rosemary Evans** (St Alphage, Burnt Oak, Edgware).

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presents a

Lunchtime Organ Recital

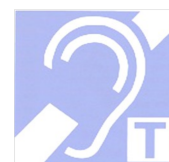
given by

CHRIS TOTNEY

(Director of Church & Community Music, Fulbourn, Cambridge)

Thursday, 9th March 2023 at 1:10 pm

at St Nicolas Church,
Bartholomew Street,
Newbury, RG14 5HG



Admission Free Retiring Collection

CHRIS TOTNEY FRCO



Chris hails from Stourbridge, West Midlands, where he joined the choir of St Thomas's Church at the age of nine before taking up the organ with Andrew Fletcher. He studied Music at Durham University, alongside which he continued his organ studies with Keith Wright and held successive scholarships at University College and Durham Cathedral under James Lancelot. After the completion of a Graduate Teacher Programme with Northumbria University in 2006, the first 15 years of his professional career were centred in Wiltshire, taking in various school and private teaching roles, appearing as an accompanist at local and regional concerts and workshops, and taking an active role in a number of Salisbury Diocesan and RSCM-led initiatives and events. Alongside these, he was Assistant Organist to the Edington Festival of Music within the Liturgy and ran the acclaimed choir of St John's Church, Devizes for a decade, with whom he oversaw regular visits to cathedrals, several recordings, a live broadcast of Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4, a tour of Latvia and the accolade of Wiltshire Choir of the Year in 2019, earning him the Wiltshire Life Magazine's Teacher/Coach of the Year award.

After moving to Cambridge with his wife and young daughter in 2021, Chris spent several months helping to build up the provision of music in the nearby community of Fulbourn, before taking up a role within the Britten Sinfonia's Development Department. Having become a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists last year, he now supplements this work with the post of Organist and Director of Music at the church of St Benet Fink, Tottenham.

PROGRAMME

- Prelude and Fugue on a theme of Vittoria –
Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)**
- Trio in D minor, BWV 583 –
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)**
- Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137 –
Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)**
- Two movements from Organ Sonata No. 8 –
Intermezzo, Scherzoso Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)**
- Chorale Prelude on 'O Welt, ich muss dich lassen'
(2nd version) –
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)**
- Postlude founded on an old Irish church melody –
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)**
- Chorale Prelude on 'Te lucis ante terminum' –
Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)**
- Introduction and Toccata on 'Veni creator spiritus' –
Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)**

He is also an award-winning choral composer, with a number of accessible works published by the RSCM.

Outside music, Chris's main interests include food and drink, domestic travel and being an 'armchair follower' of most major sports, especially football, snooker and F1 motor racing. He is delighted to have been asked to return to Newbury to give today's recital and thanks you all most warmly once again for your support.