

Newbury and District Organists'
Association
presents a

Lunchtime Organ Recital

given by

**ROSEMARY
EVANS**

(St. John the Evangelist, Newbury)

**Thursday, 12th July 2018
at 1:10 pm**



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



Admission Free - Retiring Collection

ROSEMARY EVANS



ROSEMARY EVANS first studied the organ with Clifford Harker, Organist and Master of the Choristers at Bristol Cathedral, whilst in her Upper VI year at The Red Maids' School, having studied the piano since a very early age. Her organ lessons continued with Dr. Walter Hillsman and Dr. Harry Gabb at Trinity College of Music, London, as part of her degree course. She gained the Fellowship Diploma in organ playing and was awarded the Cardnell Organ Prize during her time at Trinity. She also gained the Licentiate Diploma in piano playing whilst studying with Jacob Kaletsky. She later continued her organ studies with Dr. Hillsman in Oxford, becoming an Associate of the Royal College of Organists. After leaving Trinity, she gained the Post-Graduate Certificate in Education at Reading University School of Education.

She was for many years a full-time music teacher at Downe House School, where she was chapel organist and accompanist to the senior choir, directed by Trevor Selby; annual tours included venues in Europe and the USA. Two compact discs were made during this time. She now teaches piano, organ and music theory privately and piano and theory at St. Mary's School, Calne. She worked at St. Andrew's School, Pangbourne from September 2012 to February 2013 doing maternity cover as chapel organist and piano teacher, under the Director of Music, Gill Blythman, one of our regular recitalists.

Rosemary was the accompanist to Newbury Choral Society from April 1995 to June 2009 and worked under four conductors, Robert Barsby, Janet Lincé, Janet Coxwell and Leo Hussain. She was the Organist and Choir Director at St. Mary's Church, Kintbury from March 2002 to July 2012. In April 2006 she formed Kintbury Special Choir to perform works such as "The Crucifixion" by Stainer, "Requiem" by Fauré, "St. Mark Passion" by Wood, "Gloria" by Vivaldi and "Hear my Prayer" by Mendelssohn. She was also Musical Director of The Cromwell Singers from January 2008 until June 2011 and is occasionally asked back to take a rehearsal as a guest conductor. Since July 2012 she has directed a monthly Choral Evensong choir from the organ at St. Nicolas, which has since moved to St. Mary's, Speen. She has been Organist & Musical Director at St. John's Church, Newbury since January 2014.

When she first moved to Newbury, she was Assistant Organist at St. Nicolas, under the direction of Trevor Selby, former Chairman of NDOA. She is a regular recitalist here, having given the first recital in the current lunchtime series when it started in 1985.

She was elected Chairman of NDOA in March 2010 and she was a member of the IAO Advisory Committee from 2010-2016. This year she has been asked to stand as a trustee on the IAO Council. She was very pleased to be asked to give three recitals recently in Reading, in the Town Hall, November 2015 and in the Minster, June 2016 and May 2017.

Programme

- Processional, Op.2** Edwin H. Lemare (1866-1934)
- Caprice Orientale, Op.46** Edwin H. Lemare (1866-1934)
- Prelude & Fugue in G minor** Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)
- Voluntary XI** William Croft (1678-1727)
- 'Sheep may safely graze'** J.S. Bach (1685-1750) arr. Noel Rawsthorne
- ' O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde gross' BWV 622** J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
- Carillon** Herbert Murrill (1909-52)
- Andante tranquillo** Peter Warlock (1894-1930) arr. Noel Rawsthorne
- Sortie in B flat** Louis Lefébure-Wély (1817-70)

The retiring collection will be donated to the 2018 NDOA Bursary scheme to pay for students to have free organ lessons.

Please give generously.

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Newbury and 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. Playing visits are made to other organs and enthusiasts are welcome at these events too.

2018/19 THURSDAY LUNCHTIME ORGAN RECITALS AT 1:10pm

AUGUST 9th Jane van Tilborg (St. John the Baptist, Snape, Suffolk)

SEPTEMBER 13th Stephen Holmes (St. Michael & All Angels', Lambourn)

OCTOBER 11th Roy Woodhams (Rector of Cranleigh, Surrey)

NOVEMBER 8th Jonathan Holl (Windsor)

*****DECEMBER 13th Clive Grant (St. George's, Wash Common)*****

*****AT NEWBURY METHODIST CHURCH*****

JANUARY 10th John Halsey (Windsor Parish Church)

FEBRUARY 14th Gillian Blythman (Thatcham)

MARCH 14th Christine Wells (St. Mary the Virgin, Hambleden)

APRIL 11th Chris Totney (Head of Keyboard Studies, St Mary's School, Calne & Director of Music, St John's Church, Devizes)

JUNE 13th Alistair Davis (St. John's, Stockcross)

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

OTHER EVENTS 2018

Friday 20th July—12.30—1.15pm, Minster Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Reading. Lunchtime Organ Recital by Ian Hillier (Master of Music at Reading Minster). Admission free. Retiring Collection.

Sunday 29th July—2nd August—IAO Music Festival in Peterborough

Saturday 29th September—2pm, St. Matthew, Midgham. Group session to initiate course of free introductory organ lessons to selected applicants

Saturday 27th October—10am—12 noon, NDOA Playing Visit to Portsmouth Cathedral