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.

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

OCTOBER 12th Roy Woodhams (Rector & Area Dean, Cranleigh, Surrey)

NOVEMBER 9th Nathaneil Keiller (Windsor)

DECEMBER 14th Clive Grant (Crewkerne, Somerset) at Newbury Methodist Church

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JANUARY 11th John Halsey (Windsor Parish Church)

FEBRUARY 8th Gillian Blythman (Thatcham)

MARCH 14th Chris Totney (St Benet Fink Church, Tottenham)

APRIL 11th Christopher Sears (St. John the Evangelist, Newbury)

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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.

OTHER LOCAL ORGAN RECITALS AND EVENTS (also see Organrecitals.uk)

Saturday 16 September, 12 noon & 2pm Reading Town Hall . Join Organ Curator Dr William McVicker and members of the Berkshire Organists' Association in an exploration of the history and sounds of the 'Father' Willis Organ. Find out how it works and listen to some stirring music. Afterwards there will be a chance to try the instrument . Sessions last about one hour. Admission free. No need to book - just turn up.

Sunday 17 September, 4pm St Mary's Church, Streatley. Concert of Organ Music played by Glynne Stackhouse. Tickets £10 on the door (including refreshments)

Monday 25 September, 1pm Reading Town Hall . Lunchtime Organ Recital by Marilyn Harper (Christ's Chapel, Dulwich). Tickets £5 in advance, or £6 on the door.

Sunday 1 October, 7pm Windsor Parish Church of St John the Baptist, High Street, Windsor, SL4 1LT. Opening recital by Thomas Trotter on the restored organ. Admission £10. Tickets available from the Windsor Festival website.

Tuesday 3 October, 8pm St Lawrence Church, Alton, GU34 2BW. Organ recital by Francesca Massey (Concert Organist). Refreshments available from 7.30pm. Admission £10,



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presents a

Lunchtime Organ Recital

given by

STEPHEN HOLMES

(St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Lambourn)

Thursday, 14th September 2023 at 1:10 pm



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



Admission Free ~ Retiring Collection

STEPHEN HOLMES



Stephen Holmes started studying the organ with William Nutter at Rochdale Parish Church at the age of 14. His first appointment as organist was at St. Peter's Church, Newbold. In 1968 he went up to Brasenose College, Oxford to read Engineering Science. For many years he sang with Oxford Bach Choir and the Oxford Harmonic Society. In 1975 he was awarded a D.Phil. for his research into the electron microscopy of metallic defects. In 1979 he left Oxford to pursue a career writing computer systems software and moved to Bracknell. From 1980 to 1983 he was the organist of All Souls' Church, South Ascot. During this time he sang with the Reading Bach Choir. In 1987 he moved to Lambourn and in 1993 was appointed organist of St. Michael and All Angels' Church. In 1994 he started the tradition of conducting a choral concert by the augmented church choir every Good Friday. For many years, Stephen also sang and performed with Newbury Chamber Choir.

Programme

Variations sur un thème de Clément Jannequin

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

Pavane Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

Voluntary on the Old 100th Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Passacaglia Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Chorale Prelude "Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele"

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Prelude, Adagio et Choral varié

sur le thème du "Veni Creator"

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)