

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.

2024 THURSDAY ORGAN RECITALS AT 1:10pm at St. Nicolas, Newbury

OCTOBER 10th Roy Woodhams (Rector & Area Dean, Cranleigh, Surrey)

NOVEMBER 14th Nat Keiller (Windsor)

DECEMBER 12th Clive Grant (Crewkerne) **at NEWBURY METHODIST CHURCH**

2025 THURSDAY ORGAN RECITALS AT 1:10pm at St. Nicolas, Newbury

JANUARY 9th John Halsey (Windsor Parish Church)

February 13th Andrew Brown (St Georges' Preshute, Marlborough)

March 13th Chris Totney (Director of Music at St Benet Fink Church, Tottenham)

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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.

Forthcoming Recitals

see also organrecitals.uk

Monday 16 September, 1pm Reading Town Hall (The Concert Hall). Lunchtime Organ Recital by Simon Dinsdale (Berkshire). Programme to include music by Bach, Lang, Mendelssohn and Boëllmann.

Thursday 26 September, 7.00 - 8.00pm Windsor Parish Church of St John the Baptist, High Street, Windsor, SL4 1LD. Organ recital by Richard Pinel, including Stanford's Sonata Eroica and music by Widor, Franck and William Harris. Tickets £10.50 (students £8.50). For more details and to book, visit the Windsor Festival website.

Wednesday 2 October, 7.00 - 8.40pm Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, London. Organ recital by James McVinnie, including music by Stanford, Byrd, Swayne and Liszt. For full details and to book, visit the Southbank Centre website.

Monday 4 November, 1pm Reading Town Hall (The Concert Hall). Lunchtime Organ Recital by Francesca Massey (Concert Organist, Rochester). Programme to include music by Hollins, Karg-Elert, Mendelssohn, Farrington and Bach.

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Lunchtime Organ Recital

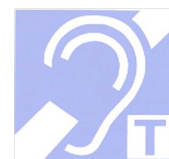
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GILLIAN BLYTHMAN

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**Thursday, 12th September 2024
at 1:10 pm**

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



Admission Free ~ Retiring Collection

GILLIAN BLYTHMAN, BA, MRUP, LRAM, ALCM

Gill Blythman was born in Ireland and educated at University College Dublin where she gained a joint honours degree in Geography & Archaeology and a master's degree in Town and Country Planning. Whilst at university she studied organ under David Lee at the Royal Irish Academy of Music where she held prestigious organ scholarships. She was a prizewinner in the Dublin Feis Ceoil and was accepted as a competitor in the Dublin International Organ Competition. Throughout her professional career, Gill has endeavoured to perform pieces that demonstrate the versatility of sound and entertainment value of the organ and she has given recitals in Ireland, London, Reading Town Hall and numerous venues in Berkshire. She also played an important part in overseeing the restoration of the church's fine 3-manual Gray and Davison organ in St Mary's Church, Thatcham to its former specification in the mid 1990s. Gill now works as a freelance musician and is in high demand in the Newbury and Reading area as a recitalist, church organist and teacher. She is also a UK and International examiner for the ABRSM which takes her to many parts of the UK, Ireland, USA, Hong Kong, China, Malaysia and Singapore.



Programme

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| Choral Song. | S S Wesley
(1810– 1876) |
| Toccatà for Ukraine. | Matthias Nagel
(b 1958) |
| Fugue in C BuxWV 174. | D Buxtehude
(c.1637-1707) |
| Piece d'Orgue BWV 572. | J S Bach
(1685—1750) |
| Pastorale in C. | L Lefebure-Wely
(1817—1870) |
| Toccatà Nu La Oss Takke Gud. | E Hovland
(1924-2013) |
| Intermezzo on an Irish Air. | C V Stanford
(1852-1924) |
| The Power of Life. | M L Takle
(b 1942) |