
Liturgical Music
2008 -2009



S. Stephen's Church
114 George Street
Providence, Rhode Island

The Rev'd John D. Alexander, Rector
Mr. James Busby, Organist and Choirmaster





14 SEPTEMBER–HOLY CROSS DAY

Missa Quaternis vocibus Philippe de Monte
O crux ave Richard Dering

21 SEPTEMBER–SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE
AND EVANGELIST

Short Communion Service Adrian Batten
Coventry Antiphon Herbert Howells

21 SEPTEMBER– SOLEMN EVENSONG AND
BENEDICTION FOR THE FEAST OF THE
DEDICATION (5:30 P.M.)

Preces and Responses William Byrd
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis (The Second Service)
..... Robert Parsons
Laetatus sum à 12 Tomás Luis de Victoria

28 SEPTEMBER–PENTECOST XX

Communion Service in E (Collegium Regale)
..... Harold Darke
O sacrum convivium Thomas Tallis

5 OCTOBER–PENTECOST XXI

Mass for five voices William Byrd
Sing joyfully William Byrd

12 OCTOBER–PENTECOST XXII

Communion Service in D minor . R. Vaughan Williams
O salutaris hostia Sydney H. Nicholson

19 OCTOBER–PENTECOST XXIII

Missa Aeterna Christi munera
..... Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Hallelujah, louez le Dieu César Franck

19 OCTOBER–MEMORIAL ORGAN RECITAL
(5:30 P.M.)

James Busby, Organist
Cheryl Medeiros-Nancarrow, Soprano
Peter Stickel, Violin
John Bumstead, Cello

Concerto IV in F G. F. Handel, arr. by W. T. Best
The Black River Gavin Bryars
Suite für Orgel, Violine und Violoncello, Op. 149
..... Josef Rheinberger





26 OCTOBER—PENTECOST XXIV

Missa Brevis John Tavener
Cantate Domino Heinrich Schütz

2 NOVEMBER—SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Missa Domine Deus omnipotens .. Thomas Crecquillon
And I saw a new heaven Edgar L. Bainton

3 NOVEMBER—COMMEMORATION OF ALL
FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

ALL SOULS DAY (MONDAY 5:30 P.M.)

Missa pro defunctis Plainchant

9 NOVEMBER—REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Requiem à 6 Tomás Luis de Victoria

16 NOVEMBER—PENTECOST XXVII

Missa Fortuna desperata Josquin des Prez
A Hymn of Saint Columba Benjamin Britten

23 NOVEMBER—LAST SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST: CHRIST THE KING

Missa Aedis Christi Herbert Howells
Gloria laus Juan Ginéz Perez
Te Deum laudamus in A John Cook

30 NOVEMBER—ADVENT I

Messe Johannes Brahms
O Heiland reiss die Himmel auf Hugo Distler

30 NOVEMBER—ADVENT LESSONS AND
CAROLS (5:30 P.M.)

Matin Responsory Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina,
..... arr. by David Willcocks
Adam lay ybounden Boris Ord
Vigilate William Byrd
Benedictus (The Excellent Service) Robert Parsons
Midnight Cry Southern Harmony
This is the record of John Grayston Ives
Jesus Christ the Apple Tree Elizabeth Poston
Rejoice in the Lord alway Anonymous
The Angel and the Girl are Met Jesse Antin
Bogoroditse Djevo Igor Stravinsky
Vesper Responsory Palestrina, arr. by Philip Ledger





7 DECEMBER–ADVENT II

Missa Incarnationis Searle Wright
Mercy and truth are met together Ned Rorem

14 DECEMBER–ADVENT III

Missa Sancti Johannis Baptistae Healey Willan
This is the record of John Grayston Ives

21 DECEMBER–ADVENT IV

Missa ecce ancilla Domini Guillaume Dufay
The Angel and the Girl are Met Jesse Antin

24 DECEMBER–NATIVITY OF OUR LORD AND
SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST (WEDNESDAY 10:30
P.M.)

Missa ad praesepe George Malcolm
Hodie Christus natus est Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck
In the bleak midwinter Harold Darke

28 DECEMBER–SAINT STEPHEN, DEACON
AND MARTYR

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan

4 JANUARY–CHRISTMAS II

Missa quaeremus cum pastoribus . Cristóbal de Morales
The Glory of the Father Egil Hovland

11 JANUARY–EPIPHANY I: BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Missa Brevis in D, Op. 63 Benjamin Britten
Jesus autem hodie Peter Maxwell Davies

18 JANUARY–CONFESSION OF SAINT PETER
THE APOSTLE

Mass for four voices William Byrd
Tu es Petrus Cristóbal de Morales

25 JANUARY–CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL
THE APOSTLE

Mass for a Saint's Day Nicholas Jackson
How lovely are the messengers (Saint Paul)
..... Felix Mendelssohn

31 JANUARY–KING CHARLES THE MARTYR
(SATURDAY 11:00 A.M.)

with St. Dunstan Consort

Messe à quatre voix, Hl. 1 ... Marc-Antoine Charpentier
Give sentence with me Thomas Tomkins





1 FEBRUARY-EPIPHANY IV

Missa de la batalla escoutez Francisco Guerrero
Let the peoples praise you, O God Bruce Neswick

8 FEBRUARY-EPIPHANY V

Missa in simplicitate Jean Langlais
Janitor caeli Diego Ortiz

15 FEBRUARY-EPIPHANY VI

Missa Sancti Stephani Graham Gordon Ramsay
Holy Lord God Almighty Robert Parsons

22 FEBRUARY-EPIPHANY LAST

Missa Ave Regina caelorum
..... Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Ecce beatam lucem Jonathan Dove

25 FEBRUARY-ASH WEDNESDAY (5:30 P.M.)

Missa XVIII (Deus Genitor alme) Plainchant
Miserere mei, Deus Gregorio Allegri
Emendemus in melius Cristóbal de Morales

1 MARCH-LENT I

Missa X (Alme Pater) Plainchant
Have mercy on us, O my Lord Aaron Copland

8 MARCH-LENT II

Missa XII (Pater cuncta) Plainchant
O Lord in thy wrath Orlando Gibbons

15 MARCH-LENT III

Missa V (Kyrie magnae Deus potentiae) Plainchant
Chorale (Auden) Benjamin Britten

22 MARCH-LENT IV

Missa IX (Cum júbilo) Plainchant
Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren, Op. 30
..... Johannes Brahms

22 MARCH-SOLEMN EVENSONG

(CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOHN, 271 NORTH
MAIN STREET, PROVIDENCE 4:00 PM)

Preces and Responses Harvey Burgett
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in E minor
..... Daniel Purcell
Jehovah quam multi sunt hostas Henry Purcell





29 MARCH-LENT V

Missa XV (Dominator Deus) Plainchant
De profundis Virgil Thomson

5 APRIL-SUNDAY OF THE PASSION:

PALM SUNDAY

Hosanna to the Son of David Thomas Weelkes
Missa III (Kyrie Deus sempiternae) Plainchant
Salvator Mundi (Requiem) Herbert Howells

9 APRIL-MAUNDY THURSDAY (7:30 P.M.)

Communion Service in C (*Kyrie eleison, Gloria in
Excelsis*) John Ireland
Missa VIII (*Sanctus et Benedictus, Agnus Dei*)
..... Plainchant
Ubi caritas Maurice Duruflé
Hoc est praeceptum meum Francisco Guerrero

10 APRIL-GOOD FRIDAY (12:00 NOON)

The Reproaches Tomás Luis de Victoria
Cruz fidelis Jean IV, Roi de Portugal

11 APRIL-THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

(7:30 P.M.)

Kyrie (*Lux et origo*) Plainchant
Communion Service in C (*Gloria in excelsis, Sanctus et
Benedictus, Agnus Dei*)
..... John Ireland
Regina caeli Gregor Aichinger

12 APRIL-SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION:

EASTER DAY

with St. Dunstan Consort

Missa in tempore belli (*Paukenmesse*), Hob. XXII: 9
..... Franz Joseph Haydn
Sing ye to the Lord Edward C. Bairstow
Regina caeli Gregor Aichinger

19 APRIL-EASTER II

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan

26 APRIL-EASTER III

Petite Messe pastorale Henri Sauguet
Rise up my love, my fair one Healey Willan





3 MAY-EASTER IV

Missa Tu es Pastor ovium Claudio Monteverdi
My shepherd will supply my need
..... Trad, arr. by Virgil Thomson
Psalm 23 H. Walford Davies

3 MAY-VESPERS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY (5:30 P.M.)

Vesperae solennes in Festis Beatae Mariae Virginis
..... Tomás Luis de Victoria
Magnificat octavi toni Giovanni Francesco Anerio

10 MAY-EASTER V

Missa Brevis, Op. 57 Lennox Berkeley
Sing unto the Lord Charles Shadle

17 MAY-EASTER VI (ROGATION SUNDAY)

Missa bella Amfitrit' altera Orland de Lassus
Blessed be the God and Father
..... Samuel Sebastian Wesley

24 MAY-EASTER VII: SUNDAY AFTER
ASCENSION DAY (8:00 AM)

Brown University Commencement
Mass in G Francis Jackson
O clap your hands R. Vaughan Williams

31 MAY-THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

Missa octo vocum Hans Leo Hassler
Loquebantur variis linguis Fernando de las Infantas

7 JUNE-TRINITY SUNDAY

Service of Holy Communion in C Leo Sowerby
Te Deum (Collegium Regale) Herbert Howells

14 JUNE-THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR
LORD JESUS CHRIST: CORPUS CHRISTI

Missa "Ich segge adieu" Johann de Fossa
O sacrum convivium Olivier Messiaen

Note: all of the above is subject to change;
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or our website (www.sstephens.org),
or call the parish office at (401) 421-6702,
for up-to-date information on specific events.





From the Rector:

The Church receives God's revelation of himself in Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of the ancient quest for the good, the true, and the beautiful. Our mission here at S. Stephen's is to bear witness to the truth of the Catholic faith, to follow Jesus Christ as the one who teaches us the good life, and to express in our worship the beauty of holiness. In so much of the contemporary religious landscape, however, the beautiful has given way to the trendy, the trite, and the banal. For this reason, we are committed to worshipping God with the very best we have to offer: from the majestic English of the historic Book of Common Prayer, to the ritual choreography of the ancient and medieval Church, to the musical and choral heritage of the western Catholic liturgical tradition.

Our musical offerings are not entertainments. Rather, they are integral expressions of the Church's faith and worship. Performed in a concert hall, religious music so often seems dry and lifeless, removed from the context that bestows its most profound meaning. Our goal, then, is to reunite what contemporary culture so often separates, and to allow both the music to adorn our liturgy with sublime beauty, and the liturgy to vivify our music as a vehicle of adoration capable of lifting us from earth to heaven.

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SOLEMN EVENSONG
CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOHN,
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

SUNDAY, 3 MAY, 5:30 P.M.
VESPERS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

