

November 2021

Dear Friends

Festival of Church Music at Lichfield Cathedral
Saturday 21st May 2022

We are looking forward to the Festival next May which was postponed from October 2021 due to the Covid pandemic. The theme is 'Unity' and I hope that many of you will be able to join us either as part of a choir or as an individual singer. This is the list of anthems to be sung:-

O praise God in his holiness	Noel Rawsthorne
By gracious powers	Richard Lloyd
The journey of faith	Jill Knight
All hail the power of Jesus' name	Oliver Holden arr James Mullholland
Dear Lord and Father of mankind	C. H. H. Parry arr. Chambers
Holy Spirit, living breath of God	Getty & Townend
Christ is the world's light	Arr. Francis Westbrook
Jesu, Word of God incarnate	Mozart
Let not your hearts be troubled	Andrew Moore
A Blessing	Martin Shaw

The anthem books are now available, the cost per book is £13 which includes postage or £12 if collected. The cost of the book includes a membership subscription which can be Gift Aided, please use the form found inside each book.

The books contain conductor's notes for use at local choir practices. Local rehearsals are being arranged for 2022, these dates will be detailed in my next email and posted on the website when available.

I have included an order form for the books with this email, it is also available on our website. Books are available from:-

Adrian Prisk, 15 Parklands, Great Linford MK14 5DZ,

Tel: 01908 605815; Email aprisk@doctors.org.uk

Rehearsal CDs will be available in the new year, details will be in the next email.

I am also including a recruitment poster which I'd be grateful for you to share with your choirs and friends please.

We are in the process of organizing the Festival tea with the Cathedral and again, more details will be in my next email.

Please contact me if you would like any further information.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "April".

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