

THE HANDEL ORGAN

A Georgian – Victorian masterpiece

The present beautiful 3-manual and pedal, 32 stop organ was built by William Hill in 1897, exploiting the generous acoustic of Holy Trinity Church

It includes 8 stops from an organ built by Abraham Jordan for the Duke of Chandos in 1720, whilst Handel was the Duke's musician in residence. These "Handel" stops provide the basis of the two main choruses – Great 8-8-4-3-2 – unenclosed choir 8-4-2.

The supply pneumatic action is 110 years old, is worn out, and must be replaced. Many pipes are 300 years old and need skilful restoration.

Please help us to raise the £150,000 necessary for the careful restoration of a national heritage. Ask about "adopting" an organ pipe.

<http://www.holy-trinity-gosport-organ.org.uk/>



HOLY TRINITY GOSPORT

CONCERTS 2010



SUNDAY TEA TIME CONCERTS

First Sunday of every month at 3.30 pm

followed by tea and cakes at 4.30 pm.

Entry free – collection for the Handel organ restoration.

And

SATURDAY EVENING CONCERTS

7.30 pm on March 20, March 27, June 26, July 10.

Collections to be divided 50/50

between church expenses and organ restoration.

2010 TEA TIME CONCERTS

1ST Sunday of every month at 3.30 pm.

2010 is the 300th anniversary of the birth of Pergolesi

1. Jan 3 The Lee Singers – John Witham “Still time to sing Christmas Music.
2. Feb 7 Geoffrey Holroyde (harpsichord), Philip Hickman (blockflute), and friends play Baroque instrumental music.
3. Mar 7 Portsmouth Cathedral Choral Scholars and friends entertain with music for voices from across the centuries – sacred and secular. Nick Pepin..
4. Apr 4 Choral Evensong sung by the choir of St James West End, Southampton. and the Mayflower singers. Martin Hall
5. May 2 Students from Trinity College of Music, London, entertain. Martin Hall
6. Jun 2 The ladies of the Solent Sound Chorus. 20th century rhythm and well known songs. For total contrast, St Mary’s Singers, Portsea with 16th century motets.
7. Jul 4 Recital by some young (aged under 20) student organists from Portsmouth and district.
8. Aug 1 James Luxton, Birmingham Conservatoire, organ recital, and maybe more.
9. Sep 5 Lighthearted music from St Mary’s Singers Portsea - Grant Hardy; and from Holy Trinity Fareham – Gordon Uphill.
10. Oct 3 Andrew Cleary – organ and strings. Handel organ concertos
11. Nov 7 The Upham Recorder Orchestra (including bass and the tiny Garklein) with other instruments from Bishops Waltham – David Burgess.
12. Dec 5 Gillian Lloyd with family and friends entertain on the organ and instruments.

2010 SATURDAY EVENING CONCERTS

7.30 pm

1. Mar 20 Botley Choral Society with Solent Symphony Brass. – David Burgess
2. Mar 27 The choir from Halle in Germany (The birthplace of Handel) with the Portsmouth University Chamber Choir – George Burrows.
3. Jun 26 Wyndcliffe Voices – Philip Drew. Choral concert – Pergolesi anniversary.
4. Jul 10 Warwickshire County Boys Choir (big choir of 9-13 year olds) – Garry Jones.

Holy Trinity Concerts:

Bring people into this lovely 17th century church:

**Provide a platform for gifted musicians:
(If you wish to perform in 2011, email geoffrey.holroyde@btinternet.com)**

Offer our audiences a wide variety of high quality music; during short concerts in a welcoming and informal atmosphere:

**Please tell your friends, and bring them too.
(Take one of these leaflets for them)**