

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Society Events...

OLIVIER LATRY ORGAN RECITAL IN MELBOURNE

Wednesday 10 April at St Patrick's Cathedral, Gisborne Street, East Melbourne. (Melway Map 43 K7)

The internationally renowned organist, Olivier Latry, from Notre-Dame de Paris, will be touring Australia and New Zealand in April, and this will be his only performance in Melbourne – a 'must see' event.

Tickets from www.trybooking.com search Olivier Latry Organ Recital, or use this link: <http://www.trybooking.com/CAHZ> Telephone enquiries: 0410 844 552.



Kew Labour Day Organ Ramble...



Upper photos, Stephen Baldwin: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, cnr Cotham & Glenferrie Roads, Kew.
Lower photos, Simon RG Colvin: Carmelite Monastery, Stephenson Street, Kew.

Other Events...

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

Good Friday 29 March, 5.00pm at St David's Uniting Church, cnr Aphrasia & Talbot Streets, Newtown (Geelong).

The Passion of our Lord by William Billings (1746-1800). Augmented Choir of St David's, Directed by Brendon Lukin.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Good Friday 29 March, 5.00pm at Auburn Uniting Church, 81 Oxley Road, Hawthorn.

'The Way of The Cross', a special musical and devotional service prepared by the Royal School of Church Music, is based on the Passion narrative of the Gospel of Mark. The Passiontide sequence of words and music includes established hymns for congregation, psalms and anthems and biblical 'Stations of the Cross' readings. It includes music by David Ogden, Peter Moger and Philip Wilby. The choir of Auburn Uniting Church and members of the Ad Hoc Singers will be directed by Bruce Macrae, and the organist on the splendid Fincham organ will be Margaret Pettitt.

TOORAK UNITING CHURCH – VIRGINIA DAVEY MEMORIAL CONCERTS

A Series of four concerts to celebrate the refurbishment of the 1979 Peter Collins organ at Toorak Uniting Church.

Sunday 7 April, 5.00pm Maestro Sergio de Pieri OAM and Pasta Plus!

Works by Bach, Alain, Bonnet, Dubois and Ligeti.

Sunday 5 May, 2.00pm World Organ Day

850th anniversary worldwide celebration of Notre-Dame de Paris. Jennifer Chou will perform works by Notre-Dame composers.

Sunday 26 May, 2.00pm Official Re-inauguration

Douglas Lawrence (organ) and Jacob Lawrence (tenor). Works by Buxtehude, Bach, Mendelssohn, Purcell, Faure, and old Italian.

Sunday 14 July, 2.00pm Rising Stars Showcase

Young performers from NSW to perform at Toorak Uniting Church as part of their Melbourne concert tour.

An all-concerts pass and individual ticket bookings are available. To book, please go to <http://trybooking.com/CLGS>

Enquiries: bachbwv000@gmail.com

ORGAN RECITAL BY OLIVIER LATRY

Tuesday 9 April, 7.00pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Lava St, Warrnambool.

Olivier Latry, 'Organiste Extraordinaire', Organiste Titulaire of the Cathedral of Notre-Dame in Paris, Professor at the Paris Conservatory. Supper to follow. Enquiries: contact Robert Craven 03 5592 1989. Tickets \$20, \$15 concession, available from St Joseph's Parish Office 03 5562 2231; or from the Christ Church Office 03 5561 1687.

FREE ORGAN CONCERTS AT EAST ST KILDA

All Saints' Church, East St Kilda, cnr Chapel Street and Dandenong Road, East St Kilda.

A series of free Organ concerts are held on the second Sunday of the month, duration approximately 50 minutes.

Sunday 14 April, 4.00pm

Chris Trikilis

St Patrick's, Mentone

Sunday 12 May, 4.00pm

Jennifer Chou

Toorak Uniting Church

Sunday 9 June, 4.00pm

Siegfried Franke

St Paul's Cathedral; Christ Church, South Yarra

Sunday 14 July, 4.00pm

Gordon Atkinson

Malvern Presbyterian Church

Sunday 11 August, 4.00pm

Brendon Lukin

St David's, Geelong

Sunday 8 September, 4.00pm

John Kirkham

St Paul's, Geelong

Sunday 13 October, 4.00pm

Christopher Cook

St George's, Malvern

Sunday 10 November, 4.00pm

Hugh Fullarton

Freelance organist, performer, composer, and teacher

Sunday 8 December, 4.00pm

Tom Healey

St Andrew's, Brighton

Further information about all concerts is available from John Rivers: music@allsaints.org.au

THOMAS HEYWOOD - ORGAN, BRASS & ORCHESTRA!

Sunday 5 May, 2.30pm at St Andrew's Anglican Church, cnr Church & New Streets, Brighton.

A stunning programme of Grand Organ PLUS! Hear Gigout's *Grand Choeur Dialogue*, Elgar's 'Nimrod' from the *Enigma Variations*, Bach's *Now Thank We All Our God* and more in dazzling arrangements for Grand Organ and Brass Ensemble. There's also a Handel Organ Concerto for Organ and Orchestra in a glorious arrangement by WT Best - including a virtuoso solo cadenza! The concert also includes Schubert's 'Great' *Mass in E-flat major*, performed by the Camberwell Chorale and Camerata Orchestra conducted by Douglas Heywood OAM. Enquiries: 1300 66 12 44 www.concertorgan.com



BACH CANTATA SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S SOUTHGATE

St John's Lutheran Church, Southgate, presents the 16th Annual Series of services incorporating choral music by JS Bach.

Services include organ music on the 1992 Smenge organ, usually by JS Bach.

Thursday 9 May, 7.30pm

Vespers – Ascension Day

Wer da gläubet und getauft wird (BWV 37) for 4 soloists, chorus, strings, 2 oboes d'amore and continuo.

St John's Bach Choir and Orchestra directed by Rick Erickson (Cantor, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New York City), visiting Melbourne as the fourth St John's Visiting Music Director.

Sunday 23 June, 9.00am

Eucharist – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Jesu, nun sei gepreiset (BWV 41) for 4 soloists, chorus, strings, 3 oboes, 3 trumpets, timpani and continuo.

St John's Bach Choir and Orchestra directed by Graham Lieschke. This is the 100th different Bach cantata in the St John's series.

Sunday 11 August, 9.00am

Eucharist – 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Mein Herze schwimmt im Blut (BWV 199) for soprano solo, violin, oboe and continuo.

Jennifer Cook (soprano) and soloists from the St John's Bach Orchestra.

St Johns Southgate, 20 City Rd, Southbank. Parking available at service times. No admission charge.

Enquiries: telephone 9682 4995. www.stjohnssouthgate.com.au

ORGAN-ic LUNCH WITH JEAN-CHRISTOPHE GEISER

Wednesday 15 May, 1.00pm at Melbourne Town Hall, 100 Swanston Street, Melbourne.

Enjoy a free lunchtime organ concert with Jean-Christophe Geiser, one of Europe's most respected organists performing music from some of the great masters, notably JS Bach and Vierne as well as Lefébure-Wély, Ropartz and Zbinden. Jean-Christophe Geiser has enjoyed a rapid career since 1991 when, at the age of 26, he was awarded the prestigious position of titular organist of the Cathedral of Lausanne, Switzerland's most important gothic building.

Jean-Christophe is currently dean of the organ and harpsichord department at the University of Music of Lausanne and is also artistic director of the Cathedral's Concert Society. Jean-Christophe has performed in numerous countries throughout Europe, America and the former Soviet Union as a concert organist, regularly sponsored by the Pro Helvetia Foundation. He has been invited to perform in the cathedrals of Hamburg, Cologne, Helsinki, Brussels, Oslo and Washington DC among others. Presented by the City of Melbourne.

Enquires, Ph: 03 9658 9658 grandorgan@melbourne.vic.gov.au www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/grandorgan



CONCERT BY DION HENMAN

Sunday 19 May, 3.00pm at St Joseph's Church, 362 Station Street, Chelsea.

Concert of the Gerald Fitzpatrick Pipe Organ, to be given by Dion Henman, Assistant Organist at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne. The Fitzpatrick Pipe Organ was originally built by Frederick Taylor for the Presbyterian Church, Kew in 1906. In 2011 it was installed in St Joseph's Church, after 10 years at the Uniting Church, Brunswick. Restored and augmented, many say it sounds its best in the acoustic of St Joseph's. Enquiries: 03 9772 2211.

PIPE PERFECT WITH THOMAS HEYWOOD

Sunday 2 June, 2 - 4.00pm at Melbourne Town Hall, 100 Swanston Street, Melbourne.

Can you imagine 'Don Giovanni' on the Grand Organ? How about a Tchaikovsky waltz? Or a Vivaldi double trumpet concerto? All right then... How about a Verdi opera? Melbourne's own international concert organ sensation returns to the Melbourne Town Hall for a Sunday afternoon concert. Thomas Heywood and the Grand Organ combine for an uplifting event that features six world premiere transcriptions from Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Verdi, Delibes, Vivaldi and the *Aotearoa Overture* by Lilburn.

As it's also 60 years to the day since the last Melbourne City Organist, William McKie, directed the music for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II as the organist of Westminster Abbey, there is some famous royal music too from Sir William Walton.

Admission Price: \$35/\$27/\$18. Under 12 years free. General admission. Doors open at 1pm. Please note advance bookings only available on-line. www.trybooking.com/CNSH Tickets also available at the door from 12:30pm. Contact details: Phone 03 9658 9658, Email: grandorgan@melbourne.vic.gov.au

FREE THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS

Every Thursday 1.00pm to 1.30pm* at St Michael's Uniting Church, 120 Collins Street, Melbourne.

St Michael's organist, Rhys Boak and a number of local and visiting organists are scheduled to give recitals during the year.

* No recital on Thursday 28 March. See the website for further information: <http://www.stmichaels.org.au> or Phone: 9654 5120.

JUNE NIXON - THE SOUND OF CHORISTERS

For those who missed ABC Radio Program 'Music Makers' broadcast earlier in March, it can be heard by visiting the following link - for a limited time only. <http://www.abc.net.au/classic/content/2013/03/10/3708856.htm>

COMPOSITION COMPETITION

The ACT Branch of the Royal School of Church Music is pleased to announce the launch of the 2013 Composition Competition. Compose an accompanied anthem for four part (SATB) choir which would be suitable to be used for the Feast Day of St Francis.

Entry fee: \$10 for RSCM Members, \$25 for Non-Members. First Prize \$150, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50.

Conditions of entry available from www.rscm-act.org Closing date: **Friday 17 May**.

RSCM MUSIC TOUR

Monday 5 to Tuesday 27 August

Royal School of Church Music is organizing three week a music tour of England, Germany and Austria, with Present Australia.

Email enquiries to: ralphmorton@bigpond.com or info@presentaustralia.com Website: www.presentaustralia.com

SOV ORGAN VISITS

If anyone has a list of organ visits the Society made prior to 2001, Simon Colvin would be grateful to hear from you.

Email: members@sov.org.au

Opportunities and Trading Table

ORGANIST REQUIRED

The Catholic Parish of St Joseph's Chelsea is looking for an organist to play at the weekly Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass and Sunday 9.30am sung Mass as well as special feasts. Weekly choir practice. St Joseph's has recently installed a Frederick Taylor Organ (1906), 2 manual and pedal. St Joseph's is located close to Chelsea railway station. Please contact Fr Gregory Pritchard for further details.

Tel: 9772 2211. Email: stjosephchelsea@bigpond.com

BASS SOLOIST

A Bass soloist position at Toorak Uniting Church choir is available from 1 April 2013. The soloist will lead the bass part in the choir, sing solos regularly as arranged with the Director of Music. The soloist is required to attend the 9am choir rehearsal on Sunday mornings and sing at the 10.15am service between February and Christmas Day, including extra services during Holy Week (Maundy Thursday and Good Friday), Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. No mid-week rehearsals. Boxing Day to end of January off duties, 2 weeks sick leave, and a monthly salary is paid. Please contact Jennifer Chou at 0410 844 552 or bach000@tpg.com.au for more information.

ORGAN FOR FREE

Yamaha Electone Model E3. Two 61 note manuals, 25 pedals, thumb presets, integral revolving speaker, and many features. This organ is free to a new home. Location: SE Suburbs. Enquiries: Rick Parker, Mob: 0408 373 972.

ORGAN FOR SALE

Eaglehawk Anglican Parish are seeking a 'new home' for the pipe organ at St Peter's, High Street, as described in the following link... <http://www.ohta.org.au/organs/organs/Eaglehawk.html> The organ has not been played in recently years, and the asking price is \$1500, which will cover the cost of restoring the room it currently occupies. Enquiries: Andrew Plant, Minister, Eaglehawk Anglican Parish, 1 Haggard Street, Eaglehawk 3556. ehwkanglican@gmail.com Ph: (03) 5446 8251 or 0419 433 281.

AIMS and OBJECTIVES of the SOCIETY OF ORGANISTS

- To promote and cultivate an interest in the organ and its music.
- To promote a friendly exchange of ideas amongst members of the Society.
- To assist players and encourage those who may be interested in learning the organ
- To offer advice, if requested, on the rebuilding and design of instruments.
- To encourage a high standard of musicianship amongst members.

MEMBERSHIP of the SOCIETY OF ORGANISTS

For a membership form, please visit our website, www.sov.org.au. Membership is not restricted to organists, and anyone with a love and interest in the organ and its music is welcome to join. If you know anyone – young or old! – who might enjoy the activities and opportunities offered by the Society, why not give them a gift subscription? Membership benefits include this Newsletter, which includes notices of coming events, concerts and other organ-related activities in Victoria, and *Organ Australia*, the national quarterly journal.

SUBSCRIPTION PAYMENT

Many members now pay their subscription by bank transfer. This is quick and easy, and saves paper; however, in a few cases the name of the member does not appear on our bank statement – which means we have no information about the person making the payment. As a consequence, reminder notices will continue to be sent. To confirm that you have paid your membership, please return the reminder with a note of the date when the bank transfer was made. For any questions, call our Treasurer, Allan Smith, on 0419 347 787.

SOV WEBSITE

The SOV website is www.sov.org.au. For additional information about Society events, check the *Events* page. David Cundy is the Society webmaster. Email addresses and telephone numbers for all Council members and other office bearers can be found on the *Council* page.

REGISTRAR OF DEPUTIES

Warwick Lewis keeps a list of members willing to play for weddings, funerals or locums for Sunday Services. Contact details below.

Advertising in *Organo Pleno* Newsletter

News of forthcoming events, advertisements and other items of interest are published in this newsletter free of charge as a service to members. All copy for advertisements is due by the **20th of each month**. All job advertisements which have a specific due date will be included in each issue until that date, whereas items for sale and job advertisements with no date will be included in the current issue only. All items are subject to renewal, amendment or withdrawal by the advertiser, and minor correction or reformatting by the Editor. Please send all advertisements to the Newsletter Editor, Colin Prohasky (contact details below).

SOV COUNCILLORS FOR 2012-2013

Daniel Bittner, Jennifer Chou, Simon Colvin, David Cundy, Jim Fletcher,
Hugh Fullarton, Brendon Lukin, Alan Roberts, Allan Smith.

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