



Labour Day Organ Ramble – Photos by John Maidment OAM

1. St George's Uniting Church, East St Kilda (Roberts Ltd/APO)
2. All Saints' Anglican Church, East St Kilda (T.C. Lewis/Taylor/APO)
3. St James-the-Great Anglican Church, East St Kilda (Samuel Joscelyne/Laurie)
4. Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Balaclava (George Fincham)
5. Christ Church, St Kilda (Hill & Son/Meadway & Slatterie/Stewart Organs)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVENTS AT ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

Corner Flinders and Swanston Streets, Melbourne.

Saturday 12 April, 6.30pm Concert: Bach - St John Passion

Mark the beginning of Passion-tide with a performance of Johann Sebastian Bach's Passion according to St John, sung by the Choir of Trinity College, the University of Melbourne. The event is preceded by an introductory talk on Bach's Passion, by the Dean of Melbourne, the Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, author of Johann Sebastian Bach's St John Passion: A Theological Commentary (2014).

Friday 18 April, 7.00pm Concert: Stainer - Crucifixion

Join us for an evocative performance of John Stainer's Passion Oratorio, The Crucifixion, sung by the Cathedral Choir.

Friday 25 April, 1.00pm Concert: ANZAC Day

The Choir of St James and The Consort of Melbourne combine for an extraordinary presentation of the Brahms Requiem, along with motets by Bach and Schütz. Ticket details will be available soon.

BACH CANTATA SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S SOUTHGATE

St Johns Lutheran Church, Southgate presents an ongoing series of services incorporating the choral music of J.S. Bach in the context for which it was written, liturgical Lutheran church services. 2014 is its 17th liturgical year. The series has presented over 100 different cantatas, the B Minor Mass, the Christmas Oratorio, the Magnificat, and several Latin masses in almost 150 events.

Sunday 27 April, 9.00am Eucharist (Easter 2)

Am Abend aber desselbigen Sabbats (BWV 42) for 4 soloists, chorus, strings, 2 oboes, bassoon, and continuo. St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra directed by Graham Lieschke.

Thursday 29 May, 7.30pm Ascension Day Vespers

A cantata, to be advised. St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra, dir. Graham Lieschke.

Sunday 27 July, 9.00am Eucharist (Pentecost 7)

A cantata, to be advised, following a Bach Forum at the University of Melbourne. Details to follow

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

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

Website has further information: <http://www.stmichaels.org.au> or Phone: 9654 5120.

FREE ORGAN CONCERTS at ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, EAST ST KILDA

All Saints' Church, East St Kilda, cnr Chapel Street and Dandenong Road, East St Kilda (opposite the Astor Theatre).

A series of free Organ concerts are held on the second Sunday of the month, duration approximately 50 minutes. Evensong and Benediction follows at 5.00pm. The organ at All Saints' Church is one of the largest parish-church organs in Melbourne, with 48 speaking stops. All Saints' Church has a fine acoustic and outstandingly-beautiful ambience. Enquiries: 9510 7689.

Sunday 13 April, 4.00pm	Dr Ryoko Mori	(Japan)
Sunday 11 May, 4.00pm	Chris Trikilis	(St Patrick's, Mentone)
Sunday 8 June, 4.00pm	Colin Andrews	(USA)
Sunday 13 July, 4.00pm	Hugh Fullarton	(Trinity College Melbourne/St John's East Malvern)
Sunday 10 August, 4.00pm	Siegfried Franke	(Christ Church Sth Yarra/St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne)
Sunday 14 September, 4.00pm	Callum Close	(Newcastle Cathedral, NSW)
Sunday 12 October, 4.00pm	Rhys Arvidson	(St Peters Eastern Hill)
Sunday 9 November, 4.00pm	Tony Way	(St Francis Melbourne)

Contact John Rivers for further information: music@allsaints.org.au

REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

Palm Sunday 13 April, 7.00pm at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, cnr of Union Road and Montrose Streets, Surrey Hills.

A reflection on the events of Holy Week features Eric Thiman's cantata – *The Last Supper* with Dayle Watson and Barry Fry as soloists, together with readings, hymns and other music led by the Holy Trinity choir. Supper to follow and retiring offertory. Enquiries: 9894 2335 or 9890 2165.

SCOTS' CHURCH MUSIC FOR EASTER

Easter week we run a series of concerts which include a performance of the Bach *St John Passion* on Good Friday.

Monday 14 April, 1.00pm	Parkville Baroque, led by Emma Williams and with tenor – Jacob Lawrence.
Tuesday 15 April, 1.00pm	Angeli Vocal Ensemble, led by Vaughan McAlley.
Wednesday 16 April, 1.00pm	The regular Wednesday service, this one preceded at 12.30pm by an organ recital of Passino Music. Douglas Lawrence will play.
Thursday 17 April, 1.00pm	Joshua Hooke plays the Kawai Shigeru grand piano.
Friday 18 April, 11.00am	Service for Good Friday. Choral music includes <i>Solus ad Victimam</i> by Kenneth Leighton.
Friday 18 April, 8.00pm	Johann Sebastian Bach – The <i>St John Passion</i> , Scots' Church Choir. The Orchestra led by Timothy Willis. Evangelist – Jacob Lawrence, Christus – Jerzy Koslowski, Pilatus and bass solos – Oliver Mann, soprano – Erika Tandiono, alto – Elizabeth Anderson, tenor – Timothy Reynolds. The performance is in German. A complete book of words is provided.

Free admission to everything. Enquiries: Douglas Lawrence, Mob: 040404 1750.

THE PASSION AND RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD - WILLIAM BILLINGS (1746-1800)

Good Friday, 18 April, 5.00pm (dusk) at St David's Uniting Church, cnr Talbot and Aphrasia Streets, Newtown, Geelong.

In the great tradition of Oberammergau. A spoken Passion Play for Choir, soloists and speakers, Music of the American War Of Independence. America's earliest Choral Composer. Featuring the augmented choir of the St David's UCA, soloists, recorder and side drum, Directed by Brendon Lukin. Admission by retiring donation. Enquiries: Brendon Lukin 0408 212 210.

CANTICLES – FESTIVAL OF MUSIC IN GEELONG CHURCHES

Opening Concert

Friday 2 May, 8.00pm at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, 136 Yarra Street, Geelong.

Magnificat by Antonio Vivaldi, featuring the Windfire Chamber Choir and Windfire Instrumental Ensemble, Conductor - Rick Prakhoff, Soloists - Marianne Black, Helen Lyth, Meredith Cox and Tom Healey. Program includes *Bagatelle* for strings and harmonium by Dvorak, *Concerto for 2 violins* by Vivaldi, *Laudate Dominum* by Mozart, *Totus Tuus* by Gorecki, and works for two organs by Bach and Gigout played by Frank De Rosso, Brendon Lukin and Tom Healey.

Workshops

Saturday 3 May, 9.30am - 12.15pm all at the Hibernian Hall, St. Mary's, 150 Yarra Street, Geelong.

9.30am - 11.00am	Icon Painting Demonstration by Christa Onyschko.
9.30am - 11.00am	Drama and Music Workshop with Wendy Grose.
11.30am - 12.15pm	Relaxation with Ray Reardon.

Afternoon Concerts

Saturday 3 May, 1.30pm at St David's UC and Geelong College Chapel, both at cnr Aphrasia and Talbot Streets, Newtown, Geelong.

Landscapes of Patmos - Five scenes from Revelations by Peter Eden; then other works by Ravel, Creston, Bach, Dupre and Saint-Saëns performed by Brendon Lukin - organ and John Seal - percussion.

Saturday 3 May, 3.00pm at the historic, newly-restored and renovated Sacred Heart College Chapel, Retreat Road, Newtown, Geelong.

The Western Wynde (in memoriam of John Tavener) performed by The Australian Chamber Choir, Douglas Lawrence – Director. Also works by Thomas Tomkins, Ralph Vaughn Williams, Brett Dean, Brenton Broadstock, Francis Poulenc and Charles Villiers Stanford.

Saturday 3 May, 5.00pm at All Saints Church, Noble Street, Newtown, Geelong.

Lays For Our Ladye performed by Acord Medieval Ensemble. Stories of love and chivalry, often rhymed, and from as early as the 12th century, were perpetuated by storytellers and minstrels singing and playing bowed strings and harps. Many glorified Our Lady in some of the earliest Canticles with written musical scores.

Sung Liturgy (No entry charge to Sunday Mass)

Sunday 4 May, 9.30am at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, 136 Yarra Street, Geelong.

Mass in G by Franz Schubert. St Mary's Basilica Choir - Conductor, Chris Kelly. Soloists - Catherine Lukin, Matthew Thomson, Tom Healey. String Quartet Leader - Wendy Galloway.

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Afternoon Concerts

Sunday 4 May, 1.30pm at Sts. Peter and Paul, Mercer Street, Geelong.

CPE Bach's 300th Birthday. Tom Healey - Organ, Philip Healey - Violin.

Program includes CPE Bach's *Sonata in B Minor* for violin and organ, *Sonata in G Minor* for violin and organ, and many more.

Sunday 4 May, 3.00pm at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, 136 Yarra Street, Geelong.

Faire is the Heaven by William Henry Harris and works by Palestrina, Lassus Victoria, Michael Praetorius and Frank Martin.

Music for Double Choir. Ensemble Gombert, John O'Donnell, Director.

Sunday 4 May, 5.00pm at St Paul's Anglican Church, Latrobe Terrace, Geelong.

"...And The Trumpet Shall Sound" featuring *Trumpet Concerto* by Haydn, *Toccata* by Widor and music by Hovhaness, Monti, Piazzolla and Giazotto for trumpet and organ. Performed by Rhys Boak - organ, Bruno Siketa - trumpet.

TICKETS and PASSES

Gold Pass \$70 (Admission to all concerts and workshops), Silver Pass \$60 (6 daytime concerts and all workshops), Red Pass \$40 (Any 4 concerts and all workshops), Single ticket \$15 (admission to a single concert or a workshop). Children under 12 - free. Passes and tickets available on-line or from Geelong Performing Arts Centre (03) 5225 1200; Wing and a Prayer*, Malop Street, Geelong or Wesley Uniting Church*, 100 Yarra Street, Geelong; and at door* for each event. (* No credit card facilities at these venues).

Enquiries: Jeannette 03 5223 3355 or Maureen 0407 680 751. jenjohnston@bigpond.com www.facebook.com/MuiscattheBasilica

TOORAK UNITING CHURCH VIRGINIA DAVEY CONCERT SERIES

Toorak Uniting Church, 603 Toorak Road, Toorak, 3142.

Sunday 18 May, 2.00pm

Organ and Trombone Concert with Jennifer Chou and Joseph Yu.

Works by JS Bach, Leopold Mozart, Petr Eben, Olivier Messiaen, Arthur Pryor.

Sunday 7 September, 2.00pm

Lady White Organ Recital – A feast of 300 years of Danish organ music and JS Bach with International Concert Organist Merethe Hansen from Denmark.

Sunday 9 November, 2.00pm

Gala Concert featuring TUC Soloists Catriona De Vere, Ursula Paez, Stephen Carolane, and Andrew Long, with the collaboration of pianist David Ross-Smith.

Saturday 13 December, 8.00pm

St Lucia Concert – A Celebration of Light in darkness with music directed by Organist Camilla Hellgren of the Swedish Church. Traditional Swedish Christmas refreshments to follow.

Further information and bookings: <http://trybooking.com/ELGS> Phone enquires: 0410 844 552 or 9829 0300.

If you would like to receive a full brochure in the mail or email, please text your name and address to 0410 844 552.

To receive the brochure by email, please email to bach000@tpg.com.au On the dates of the 3 Sunday afternoon concerts, the Manse Gallery Cafe at the rear of the church will be open from 8.30am to 3.30pm.

TREBLES TONES PRESENT CELEBRATION & ROMANCE

Saturday 24 May, 2.00pm at Burwood Uniting Church, cnr Hyslop Street & Warrigal Road, Burwood.

The program begins with Beethoven's *Song of Joy* and is followed by *Gloria RV 589* by Vivaldi, with organ and string quartet accompaniment. After Interval the choir opens with a selection of 8 songs from *The Student Prince*. This is followed by a violin solo by Edward Pople and to finish the afternoon, Treble Tones will transport everyone to Vienna for a medley of 3 songs, 2 by Robert Stolz and 1 by Rudolf Siczynski, *Roses of the South*, then a selection from *Die Fledermaus* both by Johann Strauss II.

Musical Director: Lorraine Pollard, Accompanist: Marcella Petersen, Organist: Colin Prohasky,

String Quartet: Edward Pople, Marcella Petersen, Fiona Pople, Megan McLaughlin.

Money from the concert goes toward Treble Tones elected charity for the year.

The program is about 2 hours in length and there is afternoon tea to follow in the Hall. Enquiries, Lorraine Ph: 9807 5936.

WARRNAMBOOL EISTEDDFOD – ORGAN SECTION

Entries are invited for the Pipe Organ Competition (Junior & Open Sections).

The Competition is being held on 8 & 9 August at St Joseph's Church in Warrnambool (cnr Lava/ Kepler Sts & Raglan Parade).

Time to be confirmed on receipt of entry form. (Note: Travel time, Melbourne to Warrnambool approx 3 hrs).

The Instrument: Fincham & Hobday Pipe Organ (1893) tubular pneumatic, three manuals with pedals. Entry Fee: \$5.00

Prizes: Junior Section \$400 (16 years & under at 10/08/2014); Open Section \$1,000. Closing Date for Entries: **Monday 21 July 2014**

Practise time: Available on arrangement with St Joseph's Parish Office (03) 5562 2231 during the fortnight prior to the Competition.

Requirements: The performance is not to exceed 10 minutes in total. The applicant may choose to perform any two pieces of no more than 5 minutes duration for each; the pieces to highlight different ranges of musical styles and moods. The music may be taken from either Classical (17/18th Century) and/or Romantic (19th Century) and/or Modern/Contemporary (20th Century). The applicant is expected to perform from a published edition of the chosen composition and provide a copy for the adjudicator on the day.

Entry Enquiries: Bruce Pritchard, Ph (03) 5562 3784

Music Enquiries: Robert Craven, Ph (03) 5592 1989.

SCOTS' CHURCH INTERNATIONAL ORGAN SERIES

Sunday 31 August, 2.00pm

Opening Concert: Thomas Heywood – organ, with The Scots' Church Choir.

Tuesday 2 September, 6.15pm

Stefan Kießling – Leipzig.

Wednesday 3 September, 2.00pm

Master class with Stefan Kießling.

Saturday 6 September, 3.00pm

Giampaolo di Rosa – Rome.

Tuesday 9 September, 6.15pm

Merethe Kohl-Hansen – Sorø (Denmark).

Tuesday 16 September, 6.15pm

Kevin Duggan – Rønne (Denmark) with Philip Healy – violin.

Saturday 20 September, 3.00pm

Wolfgang Capek – Vienna.

Tuesday 23 September, 6.15pm

Douglas Lawrence.

Tuesday 30 September, 6.15pm

Joseph Nolan – Perth.

Free admission to everything. Enquiries: Douglas Lawrence, Mob: 040404 1750.

ORGAN HISTORICAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Monday 22 - Saturday 27 September in Queensland. The 37th annual conference of the OHTA will feature internationally renowned improviser Nigel Allcoat. The conference brochure will be available for downloading from the OHTA website www.ohta.org.au

Opportunities and Trading Table

MUSIC COORDINATOR / ORGANIST

North Essendon Uniting Church. Six hours per week (negotiable). North Essendon is a hospitable congregation, which includes several musically-able members who play various instruments. We seek a musician who will teach the congregation new music, play the organ/piano some weeks and coordinate the music for major church festivals. For further information, Ph: 9379 5624. Please send applications to ganna@bigpond.net.au

ORGANIST WANTED

Wesley Uniting Church is at the corner of Station and Oxford Streets, Box Hill. We are seeking the services of an experienced organist to play our Heritage Listed 'Father Willis' pipe organ each Sunday, for our 10am worship service, and on other occasions.

Applicants should write to: The Secretary, 2/6 Oxford Street, Box Hill, 3128 or phone: 9955 4532 or 9890 0064 for details, or for an appointment to discuss the position.

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 David Cundy is the Society webmaster. Email addresses and telephone numbers for all Council members and other office bearers can be found on the *Contact Us* page.

REGISTRAR OF LOCUMS

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).

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