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The St. Cecilia Guild | 2019–2020 Season



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Grace and Peace to You!

It is wonderful to be able to share with you our plans for Music from St. Mark's for the coming year. The St. Mark's community has a Core Vocation to Feed San Antonio With the Bread of Life. This undergirds all of our ministry and reminds us that as a faith community we are called beyond ourselves. We do this by being a transformational presence in our city, feeding those who long for something that feeds their souls. Music allows us to experience beauty in a special way. The part of our Core Vocation that longs to feed and be fed by beauty and creativity is particularly manifest in our music program. These offerings invite you to gather and experience the healing power of beauty. Regardless

of our different beliefs and experiences, music unites us through a shared experience. We have been able for many years to provide this free of charge to our community and, thanks to the ongoing generosity of St. Cecilia Guild, this continues. I hope you will join us and invite your friends! We pray it is a blessing to you!

Peace,

The Rev. Elizabeth C. Knowlton Rector



Greetings!

For centuries music has continued to serve an intrinsic role in worship, mirroring the spoken word and Eucharist to create a prayerful and transcendent experience.

Like the Holy Eucharist, music feeds our souls and draws our faith community into deeper prayer and spirituality. I am delighted to announce our 2019-2020 music season, offering a variety of repertoire spanning Gregorian chant, Anglican Cathedral repertoire, and living composers. Our beautiful gothic space and Austin/Kegg pipe organ greatly enhance the communal experience in Sunday Eucharist, Choral Evensong, special liturgies, and concerts.

In addition, Saint Mark's space also provides a wonderful setting for performers from our local community, universities, and around the globe. All are welcome and warmly invited to enjoy the musical offerings this season.

The Saint Cecilia Series is made possible through the generous contributions of members and music supporters in San Antonio. Your contribution allows Saint Mark's to sustain a broader artistic and spiritual outreach to the community.

Sincerely,



Organist and Choirmaster



9.22

Janette Fishell in concert on the St. Mark's organ

"... for Fishell to have played (Liszt's homage to Bach) marks a level of virtuosity that stuns the listener." - Herald-Times

The St. Cecilia Guild opens the season with a featured recital by the Chair of the Organ Department, Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University.



12.22

Christmas PODS St. Mark's and St. Paul's Treble and Youth Choirs

10.13

EVENSONG + Johnny Peña, guitar The St. Mark's Choir 4:30 recital | 5pm Evensong

Introit Pilgrims' Hymn | Paulus

Preces & Responses Salisbury Cathedral | Shephard

Evening Service Collegium Regale Howells

Anthem Evening Hymn | Gardiner



1.26

Organ + Samuel Gaskin and friends

Join Jacquelyn Matava (mez-

11.3

Duruflé *Requiem* All Saints' service with The St. Mark's Choir

The St. Mark's Choir presents Duruflé's luminous and transcendent masterwork with organ and chamber orchestra, paired with David Conte's lyrical "In heaven soaring up" from *Three Mystical Hymns* in honor of all the saints, known and unknown.



2.23

EVENSONG + Carolyn True, piano The St. Mark's Choir 4:30 recital | 5pm Evensong

Introit

11.10

Evensong Remembrance Sunda

The Choristers of St. Mark's will join voices with St. Paul's Junior Choristers and the St. Cecilia Choristers of St. Paul's Episcopal Montessori School in a service commemorating the contribution of military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts.

Special location: St. Paul's Episcopal Church 1018 E Grayson St, 78208



3.22

EVENSONG + Graham Schultz, organ The St. Mark's Choir 4:30 recital | 5pm Evensong

12.8

Lessons and Carols

tor Advent with the combined St. Mark's choirs

St. Mark's annual offering of the promise of the Messiah and the birth of Jesus celebrated in the enduring and beloved Anglican tradition shared by millions around the world - with readings, carols, hymns, and anthems.

Prelude by: Sonido Barocco



3.27

Alamo Baroque

Q: What do Benjamin Britten and Old St. Nick have in common?

We invite you to find the answer at St. Mark's journey to the lighter side of the season!



5.3

Spring Concert featuring the St. Mark's Choir with orchestra

The St. Mark's Choir and St. Cecilia Guild present praises of the season with the music of Gerald Finzi, John Rutter, and William Walton. Highlights include *Te Deum - Collegium Regale* by Herbert Howells, *God is gone up* and *Eclogue for Piano and Strings* by Gerald Finzi, and *Grand Choeur Dialogue* for brass and organ by Eugène Gigout. zo-soprano), Joshua Bryant (tenor saxophone), Alison Fletcher (baroque violin), and Samuel Gaskin (continuo and Austin/Kegg organs) for a lyrical and lively afternoon of music with friends including works by Louis Vierne and Heinrich Biber.



5.17

Evensong with the St. Mark's and St. Paul's Treble Choirs

The Choristers of St. Mark's will once again join voices with St. Paul's Junior Choristers and the St. Cecilia Choristers of St. Paul's Episcopal Montessori School in a fitting end to their season-long partnership.



Eternal Light | Sowerby

Preces & Responses Salisbury Cathedral | Shephard

Evening Service Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in E minor | Sowerby

Anthem I was glad | Sowerby



A word about

Evensong +

Introit Te lucis ante terminum Tallis

Evening Service Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis on Plainsong Themes | Near

Anthem Abenlied | Rheinberger



Ars Lyrica featuring the music of Johann Sebastian Bach

presents

"The leader among Houston's early music ensembles" - Houston Chronicle

From *The Musical Offering* to Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 and "Ich habe genung", delight in the sounds and spirit of a master shared in the sacred space of historic St. Mark's.



All events are free and begin at 5:00pm unless otherwise noted.

Free parking is located in the church lot on Jefferson Street between Martin and Pecan Streets.

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of two of the ancient monastic offices–Vespers and Compline–into one service. Evensong is sung daily in many cathedrals and parish

Recitals at 4:30pm | Evensong at 5:00pm

churches throughout the Anglican Communion–at any given moment, someone is offering up a voice of sung prayer.

The practice of singing evening prayers is as old as the church itself.

Evensong + is a new element of Music from St. Mark's, joining the ancient tradition of sung prayer with an enhanced offering of beauty and creativity. Guests from San Antonio and beyond will present brief recitals beginning at 4:30pm on selected Sundays. We invite you to join us in our hallowed space for an extra few minutes of tranquility and peace.

September

September 1 Ubi caritas | Maurice Duruflé

September 8 Lord, you have searched me out and known me | Janette Fishell Teach me, my God and King | Craig Phillips

September 15 O salutaris | Edward Elgar

September 22 There is a balm in Gilead | Gerald Near

September 29 He shall give his angels charge over thee | Craig Sellar Lang

October

October 6 Draw us in the Spirit's tether | Harold Friedell

October 13 O for a thousand tongues to sing | Richard Shephard

October 20 Pilgrims' Hymn | Stephen Paulus

October 27 Thou, O God, art praised in Zion | Malcolm Boyle

November

November 3 | *All Saints' Sunday* In heaven soaring up *(Three Mystical Hymns)* | David Conte

November 10 Hark, I hear the harps eternal | Alice Parker

November 17 Never weather-beaten sail | Richard Shephard

November 24 | *Christ the King* King of glory, King of peace | Frederick Candlyn

December

December 1 We wait for thy loving-kindness | William McKie

December 8 E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come | Paul Manz

December 8 | Advent Lessons & Carols Matin Responsory | Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come | Paul Manz Jesus Christ the apple tree | Elizabeth Poston There is no rose of such virtue | John Joubert And the glory of the Lord (Messiah) | G. F. Handel People, look East | arr. Malcolm Archer Ave Maria | Franz Biebl I saw three ships | arr. June Nixon O radiant dawn | James MacMillan

December 15 People, look East | arr. Malcolm Archer

December 22 There is no rose of such virtue | John Joubert

December 24 | *The Nativity of our Lord* Jesus Christ the apple tree | Elizabeth Poston I saw three ships | arr. June Nixon Ave Maria | Franz Biebl Unto us is born a Son | arr. David Willcocks Ding dong! Merrily on high | Charles Wood A babe is born | William Mathias

December 29 Congregational Christmas Lessons and Carols

January

January 5 Unto us is born a Son | arr. David Willcocks

January 12 | *The Baptism of our Lord* Epiphany Alleluias | John Weaver

January 19 He comes to us | Jane Marshall

January 26 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace | S.S Wesley

February

February 2 | *The Presentation (Candlmas)* Quam dilecta | Gerald Bales

February 9 Laudate Dominum | W.A. Mozart

Feburary 16 Set me as a seal | William Walton

February 23 This is my Beloved Son | David Evan Thomas

February 26 | *Ash Wednesday* Turn thy face from my sins | Thomas Attwood

March

March 1 Wash me thoroughly | S.S. Wesley

March 8 I will lift up mine eyes | Leo Sowerby

March 15 Sicut cervus | G.P. da Palestrina

March 22 The Lord is my shepherd | Lennox Berkeley

March 29 The Altar | Roland Martin

April

April 5 | *Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday* Crucifus a 8 | Antonio Lotti

April 9 | *Maundy Thursday* Anthems at the Mandatum | Robert Lehman Ubi caritas | Maurice Duruflé A new commandment | Thomas Tallis Ave verum | Colin Mawby Tantum Ergo | Déodat de Séverac April 10 | *Good Friday* The Passion according to John | Craig Phillips God so loved the world | Bob Chilcott

April 12 | *Easter Day* Missa Brevis | William Mathias Sing ye to the Lord | Edward Bairstow Magdalen cease from sobs and sighs | Peter Hurford

April 19 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain | R.S. Thatcher

April 26 | *The Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist* How lovely are the messengers | Felix Mendelssohn

May

May 2 The Lord is my shepherd *(Requiem)* | John Rutter

May 10 Come, my way, my truth, my life | Harold Friedell

May 17 Jubilate Deo | William Walton

May 24 God is gone up | Gerald Finzi

May 31 | *Pentecost* Listen, sweet dove | Grayston Ives

June 7 | *Trinity Sunday* As truly as God is our Father | William Mathias

Summer 2021

Choral Pilgrimage American Cathedral | Paris St. Paul's Cathedral | London

The Choirs of St. Mark's have a long tradition of offering the gift of music in sacred spaces beyond San Antonio and are pleased to announce their next pilgrimage in 2021. The journey will begin with Choral Eucharist at the American Cathedral in Paris on Sunday July 25 followed by a weeklong residency, July 26– August 1, at iconic St. Paul's Cathedral in the heart of London.

We invite you to watch our digital spaces for ways you can support the Choirs as we begin preparations for our next journey!



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September 22 | Janette Fishell October 13 | Evensong + with Johnny Pena November 3 | Duruflé *Requiem* November 10 | Evensong for Remembrance Sunday December 8 | Lessons and Carols for Advent December 22 | Christmas Pops January 26 | Organ + | Samuel Gaskin and Friends February 23 | Evensong + with Carolyn True March 22 | Evensong + with Graham Schultz March 27 | Alamo Baroque presents Ars Lyrica May 3 | Spring Concert May 17 | Evensong

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