

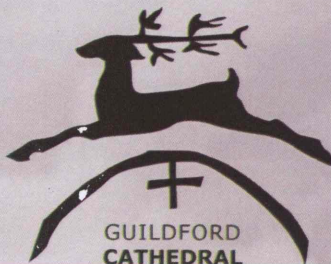


Carol Service



**Monday 16th December 2013
2.00pm - 3.30pm**

**Cathedral Church of the Holy Spirit, Guildford
(by permission of the Chapter of Guildford Cathedral)**



Cathedral
The Reverend Nancy Ford will officiate

Cathedral Sub Organist
Paul Provost

Soloist
Anna Loveday

Anna Loveday (mezzo soprano) is an opera singer, recitalist and oratorio soloist who lives in the local area. Her most recent performances were as the mezzo soprano soloist in Verdi *Requiem* and playing the part of Berthe in an extract from the Judith Weir opera *Blond Eckbert* at the Bridewell Theatre in London, at which the composer was in attendance. Anna is also an actor and will be performing 'Suffragette', a one woman show, at the Mill Theatre in Guildford on June 12th and 13th 2014.

Violinist
Erika Smith-Gordon

13 old Erika Smith-Gordon started playing violin at six and then attended the Purcell School of Music. Now studying at St Teresa's School in Effingham, she learns violin with Lucy-Ellen Spencer. Erika is the 2013 Woking Junior Musician of the Year and particularly enjoys making people happy through her music.

Vivace Chorus

Beginning over 60 years ago as the Guildford Philharmonic Choir, Vivace Chorus, under the exceptional leadership of their Music Director, Jeremy Backhouse, has gained an enviable reputation for performing first-class concerts across a wide range of musical repertoire both in this country and abroad. A small group of the Chorus has volunteered to sing for us this afternoon.

Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior School, Guildford

A school with 270 pupils, Queen Eleanor's has an excellent record both in education and in personal care for each child. It has a high reputation in the community and offers a wide selection of after school activities and involvement in music, drama and sport.

Teacher: Sylvia Cross

Northmead Junior School, Guildford Nativity Tableau

The school serves the community of Stoughton and all children have the chance to learn an orchestral instrument and join the school orchestra. There are both junior and senior choirs and music is included for all children in curriculum time.

Teacher: Sarah Stocking

2.00pm Revd Nancy Ford will lead the procession

Members of the congregation will stand for the procession

Welcome

Revd Nancy Ford

Introduction

**Dame Sarah Goad
Lord Lieutenant of Surrey**

Please stand for all Carols

Carol 1

O come, all ye faithful

Tune: Adeste Fideless

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him,
born the king of angels:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

God of God,
Light of Light,
lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
very God, begotten not created:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

Child, for us sinners
poor and in the manger,
fain we embrace thee, with love and awe;
who would not love thee,
loving us so dearly?

*O come, let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
glory to God in the highest:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord*

Reading 1

St Luke Chapter 1 verses 26 – 35 and
verse 38

Reader: Sue Zirps
Chief Executive
Age UK Surrey

Soloist

Anna Loveday

Prepare thyself Zion
Christmas Oratorio by Bach

Carol 2

O' little town of Bethlehem

Tune: Forest Green

O little town of Bethlehem
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the ever lasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wond'ring love;
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace upon the earth.

How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of his heav'n
No ear may hear his coming;
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still
the dear Christ enters in

O holy child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel.

**Queen Eleanor's Church of England
Junior School**

Christmas has started
By Mark and Helen Johnson
Ding Dong Merrily on High—Traditional

Reading 2

St Luke chapter 2 verses 8 - 20
Reader: Gwyneth Craske
Volunteer Age UK Surrey

Carol 3

While shepherds watched their flocks
Tune: Winchester Old

While shepherds watched their flocks by
night, all seated on the ground,
the angel of the Lord cam down,
and glory shone around.

'Fear not,' said he (for might dread
had seized their troubled mind);
'glad tidings of great joy I bring
to you and all mankind.

'To you in David's town this day
is born of David's line
a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
and this shall be the sign:

'The heav'nly babe you there shall find
to human view displayed,
all meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
and in a manger laid.'

Thus spake th seraph, and forthwith
appeared a shining throng
of angels praising God, who thus
addressed their joyful song:

'All glory be to God on high,
and to the earth be peace;
good will henceforth from heav'n to men
begin and never cease.'

Reading 3

Extract from memories of Christmas
By Dylan Thomas
Reader: Lesley Power
Volunteer Co-ordinator Age UK Surrey

Soloist

Anna Loveday
O Thou that Tellest Good Tidings to Zion
Messiah by Handel

Carol 4

Silent Night

Tune: Stille Nacht

Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child;
Holy infant, so tender and mild, sleep in
heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night.
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Saviour is born,
Christ, the Saviour is born.

Silent night, holy night.
Son of God, love's pure light,
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace:
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Reading 4

Christmas by John Betjeman
Reader: Glenn Johnson
Home Visiting Services Co-ordinator
Age UK Surrey

Violinist: Erika Smith-Gordon

Partita No.3 in E major "Gavotte en Ron-
deau" by Bach—unaccompanied

Mélodie Op. 42 No. 3

By Tchaikovsky

Accompanied by Rosie Richardson

Carol 5

In the bleak mid-winter

Tune: Cranham

In the bleak mid winter
frosty wind made moan,
earth stood hard as iron,
water like a stone;
snow had fallen,
snow on snow,
snow on snow,
in the bleak mid winter, long ago

Our God, heav'n cannot hold him
nor earth sustain;
heav'n and earth shall flee away
when he comes to reign.
in the bleak mid winter
a stable place sufficed
the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ

Enough for him,
whom cherubim worship night and day,
A breastful of milk, and a manger full of
hay:
enough for him,
whom angels fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel which adore

Angels and arch angels
may have gathered there,
cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But only his mother in her maiden bliss
worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him,
poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man I would do my part,
yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

Vivace Chorus

The Christ Child by Will Todd

The Holly and the Ivy arranged by Gardner

Reading 5

Extract from Journey of the Magi

By T S Eliot

Reader: Chris Pitt

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Prayers—Revd Nancy Ford

Nativity Tableau

Northmead Junior School

Carol 6

Hark the herald-angels sing

Tune: Mendelssohn

Hark, the herald angels sing
glory to the new born King;
peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled;
joyful, all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies,
with th'an gelic host proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'
Hark, the herald angels sing
glory to the new born King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
hail, th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark, the herald angels sing
glory to the new born King.

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
ris'n with healing in his wings;
mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark, the herald angels sing
glory to the new born King.

The Blessing

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Merry Christmas and
a Happy and Healthy New Year