

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

ORGAN RECITAL

JOSHUA STEPHENS, ORGAN

Thursday 4th June 2026 at 8pm

Free Admission with a retiring collection in aid of the Organ Fund

PROGRAMME

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor (BWV 582)

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Voluntary for double organ in D minor (Z.719)

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Rhapsody No 3 (Op. 17)

William Lloyd Webber (1914-1982)

Benedictus

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Allegro from Organ Symphony No. 2 (Op. 20, i)

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Joshua Stephens is Sub-Organist at Winchester Cathedral, where he accompanies the renowned cathedral choirs, alongside directing the Cathedral Girl Choristers, and Chamber Choir. As an organist and conductor, he has broadcast live on BBC Radio 3, performed on national television, and guest conducted the City of London Sinfonia, Fretwork, and The Sixteen.

As an organ soloist, Joshua is acclaimed, with performances at Westminster Abbey, Wells, Hereford, Truro, Liverpool Anglican and Metropolitan Cathedrals, Selby Abbey (Celebrity Recital Series), Leeds Town Hall (Leeds International Concert Series), and La Madeleine, Paris. He has collaborated with actress Maxine Peake in Manchester International Festival *The Masque of Anarchy*, featured on Netflix *The Crown* soundtrack, and has participated in numerous masterclasses, most notably with Jacques van Oortmerssen, and Olivier Latry.

Prior to his role at Winchester Cathedral, Joshua was founding Director of Music at Steel City Choristers, Assistant and Acting Director of Music at Sheffield Cathedral, and Second Assistant Organist at Wells Cathedral. He graduated with First Class Honours from the Royal Northern College of Music, studying the organ with Darius Battiwalla and Thomas Trotter.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 27th June, 7.30pm

Choral Music for Choir and Organ

Including *Two Human Hymns* by Judith Weir, *Seek him that maketh the seven stars* by Jonathan Dove and *Missa Festiva* by Flor Peeters

Sheffield Bach Choir, conducted by Philip Collin

with Darius Battiwalla, organ

Tickets available on the door or from <https://wegottickets.com/event/676659>

Saturday 4th July 2026, 7pm

A Summer Gala Concert in aid of the Spire Appeal

Tickets from <https://www.ticketsource.com/st-johns-church/>

Thursday 1st October 2026, 8pm

Organ Recitals resume, programme tbc

Saturday 17th October 2026

Conducting Workshop with Patrick Russill

We are delighted once again to welcome Patrick Russill to work with young conductors and the choir of St John's Ranmoor. This will be an open workshop. Exact timings will follow.

Saturday 5th December 2026, 3pm and 7pm

Christmas Extravaganza

with the Choir of St John's Ranmoor and Stannington Brass Band

Tickets will be available from September

(due to popular demand, there will be an additional performance in the afternoon)

Saturday 20th February 2027, 7.30pm

Choral Bangers 6

With Cantores Feriatum

Free admission with a retiring collection

Sunday 21st March 2027, 6.30pm

James Macmillan - Seven Last Words from the Cross

The Choir of St John's, Ranmoor

with the West Riding Ensemble

Free admission with a retiring collection