

Federation of Cathedral Old Choristers' Associations

2019 Festival 21-23 June Portsmouth Cathedral

Thursday 20 June

1930 *Dona nobis pacem* A concert to mark the 75th Anniversary of DDay
Featuring Portsmouth Cathedral Choir and Portsmouth Grammar School Chamber Choir

Although not part of the FCOCA Festival, Delegates might wish to make separate arrangements to attend this concert. It is part of the Portsmouth Festivities Season, and details, with ticketing arrangements, can be found at www.portsmouthfestivities.co.uk

Friday 21 June

1300 –

1500 Festival Registration in Cathedral House from 1300 onwards *Festival Delegates are encouraged to attend formal registration at some point during this two hour slot in order to collect their information pack, tickets for the events they have booked, and name badges*

1500 Talk: 'Then and Now...' in the Cathedral Nave

An illustrated talk by former and current Organists of Portsmouth Cathedral Anthony Froggatt and David Price, charting the development and progress of the music at Portsmouth since the 1970s.

1600 Afternoon Tea in Cathedral House £5 if booking before 15 February 2019; if booking later: £6

1715 Open Rehearsal in the Quire (*Festival Delegates are welcome to listen and observe*)

1800 Choral Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choir

Music: Reading Responses; Second Service (John Amner) Consider, all ye passers by (John Amner)

1900 Buffet Supper in the Square Tower £25 per person if booking before 15 February; if booking later: £30 per person (ticket includes first drink on arrival; a cash bar will then be available for additional drinks)

2000 Concert: 'Tenebrae' in the Nave – *Although not part of the FCOCA Festival, Delegates might wish to make separate arrangements to attend this concert of Medieval Chant and Tallis Lamentations by "Tenebrae". This concert is part of the Portsmouth Festivities Season, and details, with ticketing arrangements, can be found at www.portsmouthfestivities.co.uk*

2200 Compline sung by the Lay Clerks and Choral Scholars in the Quire

Saturday 22 June

1000 Portsmouth Harbour Boat Tours (for those who pre-book) – *boarding the boat is at Gunwharf Quays, which is a 10 minute walk from the Cathedral* £5

1230 'Seafood on Cathedral Green' £10 per person if booking before 15 February; if booking later: £12 per person, or *Delegates may make their own lunch arrangements*

- 1400 Organ Recital by David Briggs *International Organist* £12
- 1530 Tea in Cathedral House (complimentary)
- 1600 Rehearsal for Evensong in the Song School in Cathedral House *Festival Delegates who wish to sing at evensong should attend this rehearsal please. Please be aware that some of this rehearsal time will also be given to practising the Baritone line for the Widor Mass for Sunday morning.*
- 1645 Rehearsal in the Quire Full – Cathedral Choirs with Festival Delegates
- 1730 Choral Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choirs and Festival Delegates
Music: Rose responses, Dyson in D, The spirit of the Lord (Edward Elgar)
- 1830 Drinks Reception in the Nave
- 1930 Festival Banquet in the Royal Naval Club £40 per person if booking before 15 February; if booking later: £48 per person
Guest Speaker: The Right Reverend Graeme Knowles

Sunday 23 June

- 0800 Holy Communion in St Thomas Chapel (Said)
- 0945 Rehearsal for Widor Messe A Deux Choeurs Baritones in the Cathedral *Festival Delegate Baritones who wish to join in the singing of the Widor Mass at 1030 Eucharist should attend this rehearsal please.*
- 1030 Sung Eucharist *the Cathedral Choir*
- 1200 Sherry/Coffee and Farewell in the Cathedral Nave
- 1800 Choral Evensong *the Cathedral Choir*
Music: Rose responses Three Choirs Service (Bob Chilcott) This is the record of John (Ives)