



Choir Diary 2026-2028

Updated August 2026

REMINDERS

Please always inform the Choir Secretary (*Barbara Hathaway: hathaway558@btinternet.com or 07771 997 473*) of absence from a rehearsal. If emailing, please do so by 5.30pm on the day of the rehearsal; if later, by text.

All singers need to attend a minimum 80% of rehearsals, including the final Wednesday rehearsal, for a concert programme in order to sing in the concert, unless they otherwise have the Conductor's permission to do so.

Rehearsals are at the Community Hall of St Joseph and St Helen (SJSH) in Cotteridge, unless advised otherwise.

If you are unable to perform at any concert, please inform the Concert Secretary (*Corinna Gregory: birminghambachconcerts@yahoo.com*) at the earliest opportunity. You are otherwise expected to sing in every concert unless a genuine emergency prevents you from doing so. For on-the-day problems please email Corinna, or in dire emergency text Barbara as above.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual subscription of £276 from 2026/7 (reduced rates for full time students and singers aged 25 and under – please contact the Treasurer as below) per season for 3 terms in advance is due by 31 October, unless paying STO/other quarterly.

Due dates if paying in four instalments (£69 per quarter)
30 Sept; 31 Dec; 31 March; 30 June

Gift Aid: tax-payers are encouraged to complete a "Gift Aid Declaration" form since this enables the Choir to reclaim income tax on your behalf. Forms available on request. Please see Pauline Hygate or email treasurer.birmingham.bachchoir@gmail.com .

2026

2026 – 27 season

Wednesday 9 September - rehearsals resume

**Saturday 31 October – all day rehearsal 10.30 – 3.30
Cotteridge**

Saturday 21 November 6pm St Francis Bournville – concert
Vaughan Williams Mass in G and Parry Songs of Farewell plus
Holst This have I done for my true love

Wednesday 25 November – 8.30pm AGM

**Sunday 13 December – 3.30pm St Albans - Nine Lessons and
Carols Service**

2027

Wednesday 6 January - Rehearsals resume

**Saturday 16 January – all day rehearsal (St Anne Moseley
time tbc)**

**Saturday 30 January 2 – 6pm Selly Oak Methodist Church -
Come and Sing Brahms Requiem (in English)**

**Saturday 13 March 7.30pm Lichfield Cathedral Mozart Mass in
C minor (Levin completion)**

No rehearsals Wed 17, 24, 31 March or 7 April.

Wednesday 14 April – Rehearsals resume

Saturday 24 April – all day rehearsal (St Anne Moseley) time tbc

Saturday 26 June 3.30pm Pershore Abbey concert
English partsong repertoire tbc but including works by Elgar, Holst, Howells, Dyson, Coleridge Taylor, Stanford and Joubert (NB Joubert Centenary Year).

2027 – 8 Season

Wednesday 8 September - rehearsals resume

Saturday 25 September – all day rehearsal (St Anne Moseley) time tbc

Saturday ?20 November – tba Bach Motet programme including BWV 225 – 227 and 230 et al; date and Birmingham venue (possibly St Chad) tbc

Sunday 12 December – **St Albans tbc** Nine Lessons and Carols Service

2028

Rehearsals resume 5 or 12 January – tbc

Saturday 28 January Come and Sing SOMC tbc

Saturday 18 March 2028 7pm Tewkesbury Abbey rehearsal 12.30 – 3.30pm. Repertoire tbc but to include Howells Hymnus Paradisi (Ian Farrington arrangement)

June 2028 – summer concert (venue tba 24 June and/or 1 July tbc. Repertoire tbc but proposed programme to include Barber, Rutter et al)

2028 – 9 Season

November 2028 – autumn concert (Birmingham venue and date tbc). Repertoire tba possibly including Durufle Requiem and Frank Martin Mass for Double Choir

December 2028 – Nine Lessons and Carols Service, date and venue tba