

3 Sunday THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00am SUNG MASS

Setting: A New People's Mass - *Gregory Murray*
 Responsorial Psalm 23 - *Joseph Gelineau*
 Gospel Acclamation: *Laurence Bevenot A*
 Communion: I give to you a new commandment - *Peter Nardone*
 Hymns: NEH 351 311 282 114
 Organ: Prelude and Fugue in C (BWV 553) - *Johann Sebastian Bach*

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG & BENEDICTION

Responses: *Thomas Morley*
 Psalm 81
 Canticles: First Service - *Philip Moore*
 Anthem: If ye love me, keep my commandments - *Thomas Tallis*
 Hymns: NEH 124 105(ii)
 O salutaris Hostia: NEH 269(i) Part 2
 Tantum ergo Sacramentum: NEH 268 Part 2
 Organ: Canticle on 'St Fulbert' - *Gordon Slater* (DR)

9 Saturday

**7.30pm CHARITY SPRING CLASSICAL CONCERT
 including the Becket Singers
 Organised by the The Rotary Club of Brentwood**

10 Sunday THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**10.00am ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS, SUNG MASS & HOLY BAPTISM
 (with the Orchestra of St Thomas)***

Setting: Mass of Saint Thomas Becket - *Martin Smith*
 Responsorial Psalm 22 (vv 25-end) - *Peter Moger*
 Gospel Acclamation: Saint Thomas Alleluia - *David Rooke* *
 Agnus Dei: Mass of Saint Cedd - *Peter Nardone*
 Communion: O taste and see - *Ralph Vaughan Williams*
 Hymns: NEH 440 (omit *) 375 (HFT42)* Seek ye first* In Christ alone
 Organ: Grand Chœur No. 2 - *Alfred Hollins* (DR)

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: *Humphrey Clucas*
 Psalm 96
 Canticles: *Charles Wood* in E flat No.2
 Anthem: Hear my prayer/O for the wings of a dove - *Felix Mendelssohn*
 Hymns: NEH 101(ii) omit* 467 381 Amen: *John Hilton*
 Organ: Fugue (Sonata No.2) - *Felix Mendelssohn* (SS)

17 Sunday THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00am SUNG MASS

Kyrie: Lux et origo - *Plainsong*
 Gloria: Lourdes - *Jean- Paul Lécot*
 Responsorial Psalm 98 - *Gregory Murray* (NEH 535)
 Gospel Acclamation: *Laurence Bevenot B*
 Sanctus Benedictus & Agnus Dei: *William Harris* in F
 Communion: Regina Coeli - *Francesco Soriano*
 Hymns: NEH 271 408(ii) 305 272
 Organ: Paeon - *Kenneth Leighton* (PW)

11.45am HOLY BAPTISM

Hymn: CH 184 DR

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG (Girls' Choir)

Responses: *David Rooke* (Set 2)
 Psalm 45
 Canticles: *Edward Bairstow* in E flat
 Anthem: Blessed is the man - *Joseph Corfe*
 Hymns: NEH 257 366 248(ii)
 Organ: Menuetto-Impromptu - *John Ireland* (SA)

21 Thursday ASCENSION DAY

8.00pm SOLEMN MASS

Setting: *Harold Darke* in F
 Responsorial Psalm 47 - *David Rooke*
 Gospel Acclamation: Salisbury Alleluia - *Christopher Walker*
 Offertory: Hallelujah (Messiah) - *George Frederic Handel*
 Communion: O Rex gloriae - *Luca Marenzio*
 Hymns: NEH 130(i) (omit *vv) 443 134
 Organ: La Rejouissance (Water Music) - *George Frederic Handel* (SS)

24 Sunday THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00am SUNG MASS

Kyrie: Missa de angelis
 Setting: *John Rutter*
 Responsorial Psalm 1 - *Stephen Darkin*
 Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia - *Fintan O'Carroll* (A)
 Intercessions: We pray to the Lord/Lord hear our prayer - *David Rooke*
 Communion: O sacrum convivium - *Giovanni Croce*
 Hymns: NEH 345 476 297 486
 Organ: War March of the Priests - *Felix Mendelssohn* (DR) +

+ = sponsored by Hilary Bishop

REGISTRATION

Choirs are invited to register their interest in performing Mendelssohn's 'O for the Wings of a Dove' as part of a nationwide Mendelssohn celebration from Friday 8 May to Sunday 10 May. Choirs may schedule their performances in any chosen location during the course of the weekend in question.

BBC Radio 3 will offer a downloadable poster which you can customise to advertise your performance. If your choir has its own website, we invite you to record your performance and post it on your site - the Radio 3 Composers of the Year website will link to it. In addition, choirs will be invited to send recordings to Radio 3, for possible broadcast, in part, during future editions of The Choir. Choirs are also invited to email digital photographs of the performance to Radio 3 for publication on the Composers of the Year website.

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NOTES

Mendelssohn's 'O for the Wings of a Dove' is part of a larger motet, Hear My Prayer; choirs with sufficient resources are encouraged to perform the whole work.

About the music:

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Text:

O for the wings of a dove! Far away, far away would I rove!
In the wilderness build me a nest, And remain there for ever at rest.

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