

Come & Sing Bach B Minor Mass

**SATURDAY
8TH MARCH 2025**

**REGISTRATION
OPENS AT 9:30 AM
10:00 AM TO 5:00 PM**

**HOSTED BY
THE ELGAR CHORALE
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
PIERS MAXIM**

**At: St Andrew's Methodist Church
Pump Street,
Worcester WR1 2QT**

**TICKETS - £20, STUDENTS £10
TO INCLUDE HIRE OF SCORES
AND HOT & COLD DRINKS
DURING THE BREAKS
(PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MUG)**

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BACH



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Come and spend the day singing one of the greatest works of music ever created: J.S. Bach's *Mass in B minor*. Towards the end of his life, Bach assembled 27 movements, some of which were newly-composed, into a large-scale choral Mass setting, that has been called "the Greatest Musical Work of All Times and All People".

We will spend the day learning the notes, but also learning something about the style of singing in Bach's day, while also touching on some of the fascinating numerical and symbolic aspects of the work. In many ways, the Mass was a compendium of all Bach's compositional styles, from the *Stile Antico* of Palestrina in the 'Credo' and 'Confiteor' through to the latest *galant* style in 'Domine Deus'.

There are few experiences quite as life-affirming than when one finally sings the last movement - 'Dona nobis pacem'/Grant us Peace, where Bach uses the same music as sung earlier to the words 'Gratias agimus tibi'/We give thanks to thee, thus unifying the prayer for peace and the giving of thanks to God; surely a sentiment with which all generations can empathise.

Piers Maxim

***BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND JOIN US IN THE CHURCH HALL. RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE DURING THE DAY AND CAKE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BUY DURING THE AFTERNOON BREAK**

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Registration	9:30 am
First Session	10:00 am
Morning Coffee	11:15 am
Second Session	11:40 am
Lunch* Break	1:00 pm
Third Session	2:00 pm
Afternoon Break	3:30 pm
Final Session and informal performance	c. 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

