

Church Singing Workshop

for parish choirs

hosted by

St. John's Seminary, Wonersh

and

The Music Makers

on

Saturday 9th June 2007

10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

**at St. John's Seminary, Wonersh
Nr. Guildford, Surrey, GU5 0QX**

“Choirs must be diligently promoted.....”

“The treasure of sacred music is to be preserved and fostered with great care. Choirs must be diligently promoted, especially in cathedral churches; but bishops and other pastors of souls must be at pains to ensure that, whenever the sacred action is to be celebrated with song, the whole body of the faithful may be able to contribute that active participation which is rightly theirs.” (Vatican II document, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, paragraph 114).

The workshop is aimed at: -

- ♦ *Parish organists and choir directors*
- ♦ *Priests*
- ♦ *Parish choir members*
- ♦ *Others interested in improving liturgical music*

The workshop is open to all but specifically aimed at parishes within the dioceses of **Southwark, Arundel & Brighton and Portsmouth.**

The day will be led by: -

Fr. Gerard Bradley

Director of Spiritual Formation, St. John's Seminary Womersley

Fr Gerard Bradley is Director of Spiritual Formation at St John's Seminary, Womersley and also has responsibility for teaching music and liturgy. He studied music at King's College London and before ordination worked as Assistant Choir Master at the choir School of Our Lady and St John, serving the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth. Fr Gerard has a particular interest in promoting and improving the state of liturgical music especially among priests and deacons; and has collaborated on a number of projects with The Music Makers over the past ten years.

Jeremy de Satgé

Singer, Choral Director & General Manager of The Music Makers

For the past 10 years, Jeremy de Satgé has been running *The Music Makers*, an independent specialist liturgical music publishing house, which has the overall mission of helping to improve Catholic music at parish level. TMM does this by publishing new and original pieces of church music by five composers and by producing resources (CDs and sheet music) to help and encourage priests, choirs and congregations to sing more effectively. TMM also promotes the continued use of plainsong settings of the Mass and other traditional chant.

Describing himself as a “singer by training and composer by instinct”, Jeremy trained at Trinity College of Music and was awarded a fellowship of the college (FTCL) in 1987. For the past 4 years he has been Director of Music at Holy Ghost Catholic Church Balham (South London) where he has gained week on week experience of directing and developing a choir made up of parishioners, many of whom do not read music. Jeremy also writes frequently for the Catholic press on music and liturgy.

Proposed Programme for the Day
(subject to alteration)

10.00 hrs.	Registration and Refreshments
10.20 hrs.	Introduction to the Day
10.30 hrs	Singing Technique Workshop
13.00 hrs	Lunch in College Refectory
14.00 hrs	Singing Repertoire Workshop, including: - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plainsong Mass settings• Singing Polyphony• Psalm singing• Hymn singing• Accompanying technique
16.00 hrs	Tea & Biscuits
16.30 hrs	Open Forum & Questions
17.00 hrs	Preparation for Sung Mass
18:00 hrs	Sung Mass (1 st Mass of Corpus Christi)

Cost

The organisers are keen to keep the cost to a minimum in order to encourage as many people as possible to attend.

The cost of the day to include refreshments and lunch in the college refectory is £15 per person.

Numbers are restricted for the day so to avoid disappointment

PLEASE BOOK EARLY!

Registration form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Parish _____

Voice: Soprano / Alto / Tenor / Bass / Organist (please delete as appropriate)

Please register me for the Church Singing Workshop to be held on Saturday,
9th June 2007 at St. John Seminary, Wonersh.

I enclose the fee of £15 to include vegetarian/non-vegetarian lunch. (please delete as appropriate).

Signed: _____

Please complete the above and send with your payment (cheques made payable to "St. John's Seminary, Wonersh") to: -

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