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Weekly Update Sunday 29 May 2022 (also at [Members Area / Weekly Updates](#))

Next rehearsal on Tuesday 31 May 2022 at St Mark's Church Broomhill

The next rehearsal is this coming Tuesday 29 May 2022 at St Mark's Church Broomhill at 7pm. We will rehearse the Belshazzar. Seating as follows: from the right facing the altar, Soprano 1 Alto 1 Bass 1 Tenor 1 Tenor 2 Bass 2 Alto 2 Soprano 2. There is very little parking at the church, but we can use the KES car park, which closes at 10pm. The pedestrian gates should be open but sometimes need a good push. If you have any problems please ring Anne Adams on 07847358814.

The rehearsal schedule has been updated, <http://www.dariusbattiwalla.com/currentschedule.pdf> (you may need to clear your cache by clicking refresh or F5 to see the revised version). The link is also on the Chorus website at [Members Area / Rehearsals](#). Learning and rehearsal resources for the Walton are on the Chorus website at [Members Area / Rehearsals / Preparing the music](#). User name and password at bottom of each update.

Black folders with the revised SPC logo are available at rehearsals, £7.50; if you would like one (no obligation) please see Sally Turnbull; correct change appreciated.

Covid precautions

Some members who are currently attending will no longer feel safe to do so if we abandon the wearing of face coverings, so please continue to wear them for the rest of this term, other than when singing. The situation will be reviewed before we re-commence rehearsals on Tuesday 6 September 2022.

Please collect music for Stella Jockel memorial service

If you have signed up to sing at Stella Jockel's memorial (Sat 18 Jun 2pm at Trolley Parish Church), or would like to do so, please collect the music from our Librarians on Tuesday, unless you have your own copy. The music will be available the following week, but it please try to collect it on Tuesday as next week is the conductor rehearsal with over 80 singers from Leeds Festival Chorus, so collecting music will not be easy!

- Hymn - *Love Divine* (tune Blaenwern)
- *All Things Bright and Beautiful* arranged John Rutter
- *For the Beauty of the Earth* arranged John Rutter
- *The Silver Swan* Orlando Gibbons
- *Linden Lea* R. V. Williams
- Hallelujah Chorus G. F. Handel

There's still time to sign up if you'd like to sing; Tenors especially welcome! Rachel Copley will conduct, and Nigel Gyte will accompany us. There is likely to be a rehearsal on Tuesday 14 June at 7pm at KES (to be confirmed).

All those attending the celebration, including chorus members, are invited to join the family afterwards for refreshments in the adjacent church hall.

Later that evening Darius will play organ music by Bach, including the *Toccatina and Fugue in D minor*, as part of Sheffield Bach Choir's all Bach concert at St Mark's Church, Broomhill. Tickets £12 and £10 <https://www.wegotickets.com/event/541097> or on the door.

Walton concert – 269 tickets sold (two attachments)

The latest report shows that 39 tickets were sold last week, ie, 269 in total, so they are still selling very slowly. Please do whatever you can to publicise the concert - share the e-flyers sent last week, with family and friends (pdf for emailing, png file for use on social media), share the Facebook event and tweet and retweet posts on Twitter. Many thanks.

Sad news

It's with great sadness that we note the deaths of former members Mike Reynolds, very recently, and Peter Quarrel back in April. Many members will remember both men; Peter left the Chorus some time ago but sang with Sheffield Bach Choir until the pandemic hit. Mike worked tirelessly in support of refugees via City of Sanctuary, and only recently left the Chorus; he died peacefully in his sleep at St Luke's Hospice with his family around him. His funeral is on Wednesday June 1st at St Williams Church on Ecclesall Road at 12.30. His wife Marian has said that any choir members who want to attend are most welcome.

Diary dates (*dates in italics are electives, ie, voluntary*)

Confirmed concert dates and details, including piano and tutti rehearsal dates, times and locations, are posted on the Chorus website as soon as they become available so that members can plan their activities, at [Members Area / Diary dates](#) (password details provided at the end of this and every weekly update).

2021-22

- Saturday 11 June 2022: Walton *Belshazzar's Feast* at City Hall (part of SICS). Compulsory rehearsals Tue 07 Jun 7pm at KES (with Leeds Festival Chorus and conductor Finnegan Downie Deare) and Sat 11 June 2.00 to 5.30 at City Hall (NB time to be confirmed)
- *Saturday 18 June 2022: memorial celebration for Stella Jockel, Topley Parish Church at 2pm, refreshments afterwards (elective)*

2022-23

- A concert in St Mark's Church Broomhill on Saturday 12 November 2022. Self-funded.
- Saturday in December 2022: City Hall carol concert(s) with Black Dyke Band. SICS
- Manchester Camerata concert (something short) City Hall probably February 2023 SICS
- Sunday 19 March 2023 (Mahler Symphony No. 2 City Hall with Hallam Choral Society, Hallam Sinfonia and Sheffield Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor George Morton, soloists Ella Taylor and Anna Harvey, forming the finale of Classical Sheffield's 10th anniversary Festival Weekend. Self-funded

- Re-scheduled Verdi *Requiem* at City Hall, probably mid-June 2023. SICS
- Re-scheduled Mahler Symphony No. 8 at Bridgewater Hall possibly June 2023

Under discussion

- Rutter *Gloria* - Black Dyke Band keen to do this with us sometime

Reminder - Covid

Each member should assess the Covid-related risk and make their own decision about whether to attend; decisions will of course be respected. Please follow the guidelines for rehearsals:

- Do not attend if you have symptoms of Covid, or of flu or a cold (which often turn out to be Covid), or have been exposed to a person infected with Covid, or if you haven't had two vaccinations
- Wear a face covering until just before we sing, unless you're exempt
- Stay distanced as much as you can, including when singing
- Make sure the windows and doors near you are open, on both floors
- Bring your own drinks and don't share them
- Let us know if you get Covid; we will continue to alert anyone seated close by

For the latest advice please see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19>

Reminders

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To read these items please see the last weekly update at [Members Area / Weekly Updates](#)

What's On

See Classical Sheffield's What's On page for concerts around Sheffield in the next two weeks: <https://classicalsheffield.org.uk/events>

For up-coming Come and Sing opportunities in our region, see [Members Area / For information / Singing Opportunities](#)

What to do if your contact details change

If any of your contact details change, including address, email or telephone number, please send a message to emailchange2019@sheffieldphil.org to ensure that your details are amended on the Membership database and that you continue to receive the weekly update.

Weekly updates, Chorus and Classical Sheffield websites and passwords

If ever you don't receive the weekly update, please contact Membership Officer Marianne Grayson or read it on the website at [Members Area / Weekly Updates](#). The user name is the word *member* and the password is *darius5*; please don't share these.

The Members Area lists rehearsal details, rehearsal notes and links to recordings, concert and re-audition arrangements, as well as dates for the following season, our official stage procedure, Darius' rehearsal schedule, how to look after your voice etc. The website is available at <http://sheffieldphil.org> or via a Google search.

A reminder of the Classical Sheffield Member's Area: <https://classicalsheffield.org.uk/about> ; the password is *moremusic*.

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