GLOUCESTER CHORAL SOCIETY

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Rehearsals

Hello Everyone
I hope you have all had a great summer break in the somewhat hotter and drier conditions than we are normally accustomed to! We are rapidly approaching the start of our new season. Here is the list of dates of rehearsals, Sing Saturdays and concerts for 2026/27 as it stands at the moment:

Season 2026 -27 List of Dates

Day	Date	Time	Venue	Music	Other details
Monday	07 September 2026	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	
Monday	**14 September 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	
Saturday	**19 September 2026**	09:30 - 12:15	**Sing Saturday - Crypt School**	**Haydn: The Creation**	
Monday	**21 September 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	Open rehearsal
Saturday	26 September 2026	09:30 - 12:30	Chapter House	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	Saturday rehearsal TBC
Monday	**28 September 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	
Monday	05 October 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	
Monday	12 October 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Bach	to include AGM
Friday	16 October 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Cathedral Nave with terrace	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	
Saturday	17 October 2026	13:00 - 16:00	Cathedral Nave with terrace	Durufle, Vierne, Faure	Time TBC
Saturday	17 October 2026	19:00 - 21:00	**Concert - Cathedral**	**Durufle, Vierne, Faure**	
Monday	19 October 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Bach	
Monday	26 October 2026	19:30 - 21:30	**No Rehearsal - Half Term**		
Monday	02 November 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Bach	
Monday	09 November 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Bach	
Monday	16 November 2026	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Bach	
Monday	**23 November 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Bach	
Thursday	**26 November 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Bach	
Saturday	28 November 2026	13:00 - 16:00	Cathedral Nave with terrace	Bach	Time TBC
Saturday	28 November 2026	19:00 - 21:00	**Concert - Cathedral**	**Bach**	
Monday	**30 November 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Carols	
Monday	**07 December 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Carols	
Monday	**14 December 2026**	19:30 - 21:30	**St John's Northgate**	Carols	
Monday	26 December 2026	13:45 - 14:30	Cathedral Nave	Carols	Time TBC
Monday	26 December 2026	15:00 - 16:30	**Concert - Carols for All**	**Carols**	
Monday	11 January 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	16 January 2027	09:30 - 12:15	**Sing Saturday - Chapter House**	**Rossini: Petite Messe Solonnelle**	
Monday	18 January 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	25 January 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	01 February 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	08 February 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	15 February 2027		**No Rehearsal - Half Term**		
Monday	22 February 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	01 March 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Monday	08 March 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Friday	**12 March 2027**	19:30 - 21:30	**Rehearsal - Cheltenham Town Hall**	Beethoven	
Saturday	**13 March 2027**	19:30 - 21:30	**Concert - Cheltenham Town Hall**	**Beethoven**	
Monday	15 March 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Friday	19 March 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Cathedral Nave with terrace	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	
Saturday	20 March 2027	13:00 - 16:00	Cathedral Nave with terrace	Beethoven, Vaughan Williams	Time TBC
Saturday	20 March 2027	19:00 - 21:00	**Concert - Cathedral**	**Beethoven, Vaughan Williams**	
Monday	22 March 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)	
Monday	29 March 2027		**No Rehearsal - Easter**		
Monday	05 April 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)	
Monday	12 April 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)	
Monday	19 April 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)	Open rehearsal
Monday	26 April 2027	19:30 - 21:30	Chapter House	Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)	Open rehearsal
Saturday	01 May 2027	09:30 - 16:30	**Workshop - Cathedral various locations**	**Striggio (Ecce beatam lucem)**	Time TBC

Please note that we will be using St John's Northgate for our Monday rehearsals during September due to the Chapter House not being available for various reasons.

This list can be found on the GCS website (www.gloucesterchoral.com) in the Members Section under the Calendar button for which the password is SpecialK. Any future updates will be recorded there.

Similarly, the details of subscriptions, see below, for this season can also be found there along with previous copies of Choir News and lists of GCS contacts.

The website has been overhauled and contains details of the concerts and events for the coming season with links to the sites to obtain tickets. Please take time to explore!

Our first Sing Saturday is on Saturday 19th September at the Crypt School, Podsmead Road when the work will be Haydn's *The Creation*. Ctrl+Click this link for details on the website. There is also a poster attached. Please publicise this to other singers wherever you can.

Tickets can be purchased in advance through this link:

https://checkout.square.site/merchant/MLS6BSZQC2VCG/checkout/KGD4ETQD6EK5FEP44UCF3EBB.

Looking forward to seeing you all at St John's Northgate on Monday 7th September.

Rob Riley, Vice Chairman

Subscriptions

A reminder that next season's subscriptions fall due on the 1st September. The new minimum subscription is now £225. You are of course welcome to pay more than this if you wish to do so. Every little helps!

Payment can be made in instalments, either 2 at £112.50, 4 at £56.25, 5 at £45, or 8 at £28.13. Please reference any payment with 'GCS Subscription' as it helps to identify the payment with the member. The first payment if paying by instalments, should be made by the end of September.

Bank account details are;

Gloucester Choral Society,
Sort code 40 52 40,
Account number 00007718

More details regarding the payment can be found on our website, the link is shown below.

https://www.gloucesterchoral.com/subscriptions

Many thanks. Mary Jacks - Hon Treasurer