

KING'S LYNN FESTIVAL CHORUS

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Armistice Day Concert with the Norfolk Symphony Orchestra

As many of you might be aware, we have just taken part in the Armistice Day Concert as guests of the Norfolk Symphony Orchestra to mark the 100 years end of WW1.

It was a moving and poignant occasion with music connected with war, and marking the death of George Butterworth, probably one of the most promising young composers of his time, lost to this world changing event..

But hope springs eternal and the concert closed with a performance of Beethoven's 9th Symphony with the Ode to Joy in the triumphal final movement with our MD Tom Appleton as baritone soloist.

A challenge was set, to sing Beethoven's setting of Schiller's poem from memory and in German. Many a late night was spent learning words and music, with a significant number of us realising that our powers of recall may have slipped a bit in the intervening years!

But learn it we did, and with the encompassing joyous proclamation of 'Freude' and 'Bruder' ringing out in St Nicholas' Chapel with great gusto and conviction.

A thoroughly appreciative audience gave all a standing ovation at the end!

King's Lynn Festival Chorus NEWSLETTER

It is a busy time for us at the Festival Chorus and following the momentous Beethoven 9, we are now back to earth as we prepare for Christmas as well as an early concert in February 2019

With Christmas Day falling early in the week, the Saturday before is one of taking a breather prior to the last minute 'have-I-got-everything' and the 'just-in-case' shopping

Why don't you join us for an hour or so in a musical aperitif - with mince pies and mulled wine to get celebrations going?

Noel! is a programme of beautiful Christmas music, with seasonal readings and favourite audience carols to raise the roof! With our outstanding Assistant Music Director **Ben Horden** in charge and assisted by Richard Gowers organist another talented young musician. He will be playing on the recently restored magnificent Snetzler organ, considered to be one of the finest of its type'



Saturday 22nd December 5.30pm
King's Lynn MINSTER,
Saturday Market Place.

Early enough for little people before bedtime and grown ups who might be out celebrating later.

Tickets: £10, Free for under 12s, Available from Chorus members, by phone to 01553 672416 or on the door.

February 9th 2019

There is a quick turn round after Christmas for our first concert of 2019 in February, with a performance of **Rossini's *Petite Messe Solennelle*** in its original scoring for **2 pianos and a Harmonium**.

This work follows a treat in the first half of the programme.....a performance by our 4 soloists of **Brahms' *Liebeslieder***, just in time when thoughts turn to loved ones on Valentine's Day.

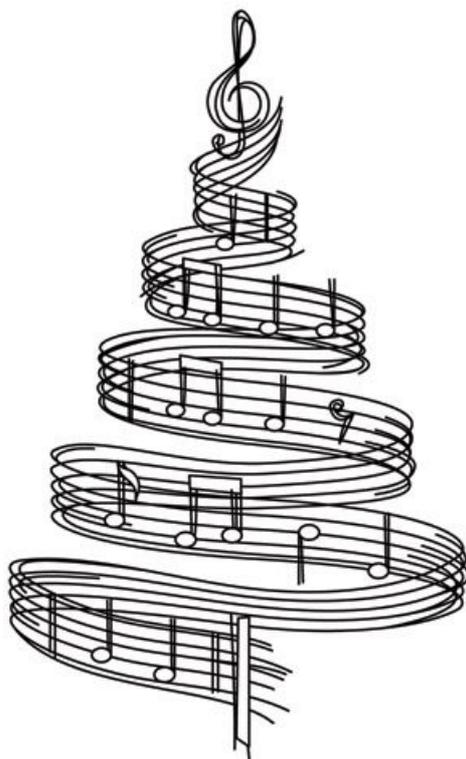
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More of this in our next Newsletter.

Do get in touch with us - we'd love to hear from you and have your feedback on how we're doing.

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A Happy Christmas to you all and a Peaceful New Year!