

Nantwich Choral Society

NANTWICH SINFONIA
(leader: Geoffrey Wheeler)

MESSIAH G. F. HANDEL

Catrin Ley, soprano
Sarah Wright, soprano
Derek Acock, alto
John Cox, tenor
Benjamin Odom, bass

Joy Roberts, harpsichord

conducted by
Stephen Buckman



*All proceeds from this concert are to be donated to the
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.*



CHORAL GROUP SING MESSIAH

NANTWICH Choral Society will perform Handel's Messiah in Bunbury Parish Church on Saturday, December 7. The choir will be joined by professional soloists and conducted by Stephen Buckman.

Great beauty of "Messiah"

IT WOULD be interesting to discover the date of the first performance in Nantwich of Handel's "Messiah".

There must have been many gatherings of singers, listeners and instrumentalists down the years.

The work is so familiar, yet each hearing makes its own mark, and the glorious fusion of words and music always offers something new.

Certainly had he been there, Mr. Handel would have approved of the performance of the Nantwich Choral Society and the Nantwich Sinfonia on

Saturday at the Parish Church.

The singing was fresh, flexible, balanced and true in tone. The Sinfonia, so ably led by Geoffrey Wheeler, gave real support to the choir and the whole assembly was well directed by Stephen Buckman.

There were many moments of great beauty. The soloists, Catrin Ley, Sarah Wright, Derek Acock, John Cox and Benjamin Odom, all sang with artistry, using ornamentation with taste and skill.

The proceeds of a memorable performance are to go from the choral society to the N.S.P.C.C.

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