# The Giltspur Singers

Concert at The Church of St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, London Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2005, 7.00pm

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## **PROGRAMME**

Hosanna to the Son of David Hide not thou thy face from us Ave verum corpus Miserere mei O Lord, in thy wrath

**Thomas Weelkes (c. 1575-1623)** Richard Farrant (d. 1581) William Byrd (1542/3-1623)

**Byrd** 

**Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)** 

Chorale prelude for organ:

O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß

à 2 Clav. et Ped (BWV 622)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

J. S. Bach was born on this day 320 years ago

**Requiem** (opus 48)

### **Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)**

Introit-Kyrie Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord... Lord, have mercy.

Offertorium O Lord Jesus Christ... deliver the souls of the departed from

the torments of hell and from the bottomless pit...

Sanctus Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, the heavens and the earth are full of

your glory...

Pie Jesu Sweet Lord Jesus, give them rest...

Agnus Dei O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world... grant

them rest.

Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death... Libera me

In Paradisum Angels will lead you to paradise... may you have eternal rest.

Soprano solo Amy Gooden Tenor solo Chris Goodwin Baritone solo **Timothy Tomkins Duncan Atkinson** Accompanist

## The Giltspur Singers

...were formed in the autumn of 2003. They take their name from Giltspur Street, which leads up to the entrance to the church where they rehearse: St Bartholomew-the-Less, inside the grounds of St Bartholomew's Hospital in the City of London.

The members of the choir are professionals in a wide range of careers, including the law, finance, teaching, medicine, publishing, and I.T. Some are music graduates but, for the majority, music has always been a hobby. It is the sense of music as a source of relaxation and enjoyment that the Giltspur Singers hope to communicate in their performances.

## Sopranos

Amy Gooden, Antonia Mott, Elisabeth Somerville, Katy Turner

### **Altos**

Bridget Dray, Ian Goddard, Kirsty Payne

### **Tenors**

Chris Goodwin, Robin McCoubrey\*

#### **Basses**

Duncan Atkinson\*, Tim Murray, Richard Salmon, Nick Whitehead

\*Members of The Chambers of Roy Amlot QC, sponsors of tonight's concert

## Christopher Maxim: Conductor & Organ Soloist

Christopher Maxim is Organist of St Matthew's Parish Church, Bethnal Green and also conducts the St Teilo Singers. As a composer, he specialises in writing for his two great musical loves: choirs and the organ. He is published by Stainer & Bell and the Royal School of Church Music. He has published academic articles in *The Musical Times*, *Early Music* and *The Organ Yearbook*; and he has many reviews of recordings and new music to his name in *Organists' Review*, *Church Music Quarterly* and *Early Music*. He has broadcast on Radio 4, the World Service and Radio Wales as organist, conductor, musicologist and critic. After completing his Ph.D. in Tudor keyboard music, he began his career lecturing for Cardiff University, the Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama and the Open University. He moved to London in 2000 and is presently an Assistant Director of Bishop Challoner Catholic Collegiate School.

If you would like to join the Giltspur Singers or if you would like to hear about future concerts...

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