

# Watford Philharmonic Society 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**REMEMBER!** There are NO interval drinks tonight

## KEY DATES FOR START OF NEXT SEASON:

- First day of rehearsal: Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Open rehearsal: Monday September 16<sup>th</sup> [at Cube Theatre, Bushey Arena]
- AGM: Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>, subsequent rehearsal extended to 10pm
- Preconcert workshop: Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup> at Main Hall, Bushey Arena.

## REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Each week we will use *Jerusalem* and *Va pensiero*, as warm ups.

- **This week's** rehearsal, Monday 17th - Full run through
- **Combined rehearsal** with the orchestra next Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> from **7.30pm to 10pm**

Michael is confident that we will be then performance-ready. So RENEW THE ENTHUSIASM – and don't forget to rehearse the other pieces, especially the Parry!

## REHEARSAL RESOURCES

NB If you want to "cut and paste" into your browser, the notices are published online on our website each week

**DOVE "THERE WAS A CHILD"** : There are no known rehearsal resources for the Dove work. The performance recording can be heard on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL34GweJU2x7GDbAqLh-fSegWkjHDFMNV> . There is also an interview with the composer giving the background to the music. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-MMdT7YyE8>

**SPOTIFY!** "*There was a child*" is on Spotify. Those of you who are digital technophiles and who know about Spotify can sort out a Playlist on it of the tracks we are singing in the concert. While not a proper digital rehearsal resource it saves you having to trawl through the CD looking for the tracks you need. You can download Spotify on all digital media – PC, tablet and smartphone.

## PARRY "BLEST PAIR OF SIRENS", VERDI "VA, PENSIERO", BORODIN "POLOVTSIAN DANCES"

**Choraline:** rehearsal CD / Easy stream service (Stream, Download, Use on the App). <https://www.choraline.com>

**Midi choral music** (4-part version): <http://www.learnchoralmusic.co.uk>

**Choralia** (4-part version): <http://www.choralia.net/mp3catalogue.htm>

Also good for **Va, Pensiero - Score + metronome**

<https://youtu.be/o25xcH7qzx4> alto + score <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SP4kdHoMzKE> sop + score <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YNWAbkH90tw> tenor 2 + score <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gPVfeimP4f0> tenor 1 + score <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C6Ed0DyHEvg> bass + score [http://www.voiceparts.com/mfc/Verdi/Va\\_pensiero-Nabucco/Va\\_pensiero-Nabucco.html](http://www.voiceparts.com/mfc/Verdi/Va_pensiero-Nabucco/Va_pensiero-Nabucco.html) all parts + text

## PRE-CONCERT SUPPERS AT THE COLOSSEUM

As before, you may book a pre-concert supper at the Colosseum by ringing the **Box Office** on **01923 571102**. Don't forget to say at the time of booking that you are "**Watford Phil**" members or **guests singing/playing in the concert**. The menus can be viewed on <https://watfordcolosseum.co.uk/Online/> Go to the **Food and Drink** tab, click on **Pre-show dining**, scroll down to **Menus** and click on **Opening Acts** (for starters), **Headliners** (for Mains) and **Grand Finale** (for desserts). [It is quite easy – just different from before!]

**An evening of Opera Choruses !** If you would a foretaste of what we might be singing at our summer concert in June 2020, then do come along to the Chiltern Choir's concert in Sarratt Village Hall, on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 (conducted by a certain M. Cayton !) Take a flyer from the back. Tickets are £15 for adults (or £13 if booked in advance). Obtainable from Chorleywood Bookshop; at the door; or via the website [www.chilternchoir.uk.uk](http://www.chilternchoir.uk.uk)

### **TWITTER – an update**

For all you Tweepers out there we now have a new Twitter account that needs some followers!  
You can find WPS Twitter at: [@WatfordPhilSoc](https://twitter.com/WatfordPhilSoc)

### **TONIC CHOIR – JAZZ DAY**

The Tonic Choir is putting on another of their successful Jazz Days on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June** from **3.00pm to 7.30pm** at Watford Grammar School for Boys. Once again, the session will be led by Pete Churchill. Tickets are offered to members of the Watford Phil at the members rate of **£20**. Payment can be made online to the Tonic Choir. Bank account details are Santander sort code 09-01-28 account number 84122105 giving your name as the reference on the transaction. Email [bryan@tonicchoir.co.uk](mailto:bryan@tonicchoir.co.uk) advising him of payment.

**Fin de Saison Celebration - Monday 1st July 2019 from 7.30 to 9.00 pm**  
**The Food Factory, Watford Grammar School for Girls**

Come and share a buffet supper with time for conversation amongst friends from choir and orchestra. A light finger buffet will be provided, but to keep down costs and save washing up, **please bring your own choice of drink**. Disposable cups will be available but bring your own glasses if preferred.

**TICKETS AT £10.00 PER HEAD AVAILABLE AT THE NOTICES TABLE THIS EVENING**  
or reserve from [judy@newtondavies.plus.com](mailto:judy@newtondavies.plus.com) Open to all members of the choir & orchestra –  
please tell any of your friends who are not singing in the summer concert.

**PLEASE BUY YOUR TICKETS TONIGHT – WE NEED TO AGREE NUMBERS WITH CATERERS ASAP!**