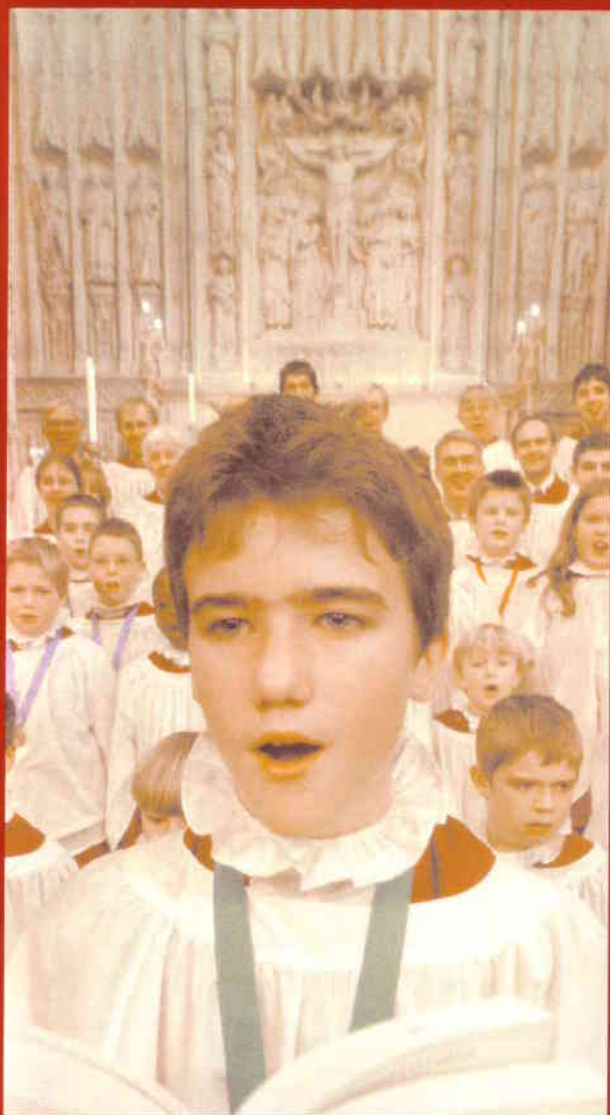




# The City Charity CHRISTMAS CONCERT

*Tuesday 9th December 2003, 6.45pm*



*All Saints Church*

*The Drive, Hove*

*featuring*

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Soprano. The London City  
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Chamber Choir,  
Michael Maine and the  
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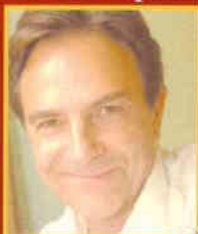


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*on*

**TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER 2003**

**THE STORY OF  
CHRISTMAS**

*with*

**BRIAN CAPRON**

*and*

**MICHAEL MAINE**

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THE ESTERHAZY CHAMBER CHOIR**

**THE LONDON CITY BRASS**

**ELIZABETH-ANN WELDON, *Soprano***

**ALEX VOICE, *Organist***

## **A message from Lady Bryson, and the Vicar of All Saints.**

*I would like to welcome you all to this, the second Christmas Carol Concert we have organised for The Martlets Hospice and The Argus Appeal, two of the City's most worthy charities. Those of you who came to the first concert last year, may remember that we were more than overwhelmed with support. I hope that this will again be the case tonight but managed in a more orderly fashion!*

*I am most grateful for the generous support of the Revd Dr David Wostenholm, Team Rector of Hove and the PCC of All Saints. The outcome of the review on the future of the Churches in the City is anxiously awaited. All Saints has been the centre of Christian worship in Hove since the foundation stone was laid in 1889 and has been loved by many generations in Hove. We must do everything we can to help support its survival.*

*We welcome Brian Capron, fresh back from the rigours of filming in Borneo. As Coronation Street viewers will know, he is quite at home in Church surroundings! We thank the readers, all local people whose contribution is so important to the story.*

*We welcome again the Choir of All Saints, the Esterhazy Chamber Choir and the London City Brass and to swell the ranks, the choir of St Christopher's school. Michael Maine directs the programme with Derek Froud. Alex Voice is again our organist.*

*We have been "lit-up" by Goldgate Lighting to spectacular effect and Rushfields have done us proud with their tree.*

*We are most grateful to our sponsor, Derek Hunnisett of Brighton Square and our advertisers. Also our donors, Forfars, Sainsbury's, Marks and Spencer and Jones Vending.*

*My committee and I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.*

*Averil. Bryson.*

### **THE COMMITTEE**

*Lady Bryson (Chairman), David Fincham, David Goldin, Mary Golding,  
Andrew Russell, Howard Scott, Elsa Gillio (for the Argus Appeal) and  
Antonia Shepherd (for the Martlets Hospice)*

All Saints extends a very warm welcome to everyone this evening. It is a great privilege for us to host the City Charity Christmas concert once more at what we consider is one of the best venues in town!

By supporting this event you are not only supporting the charities involved but also those people who day by day in prayer and service continue to let the work of our parish church flourish. Whatever your circumstances, you may be blessed with the experience of the Peace of God among you this Christmas.

*Fv. David*

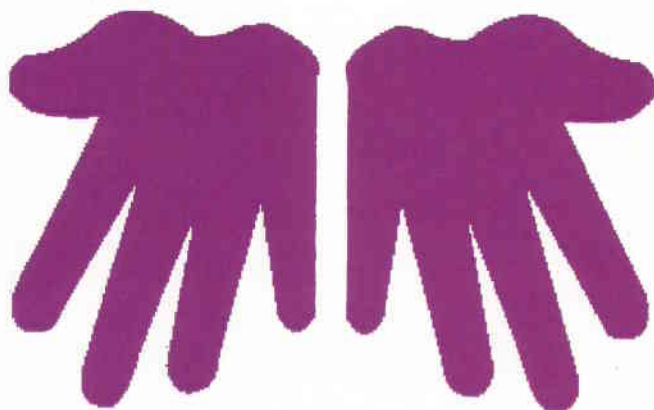


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All Saints Church in the Drive is so beautiful that many people think it should be the cathedral for Brighton and Hove.

It was built on a site in The Drive in the 1890s and designed by JL Pearson. Although Hove was supposed to be wealthy, appeals had to be made for donations to cover the cost of £42,000.

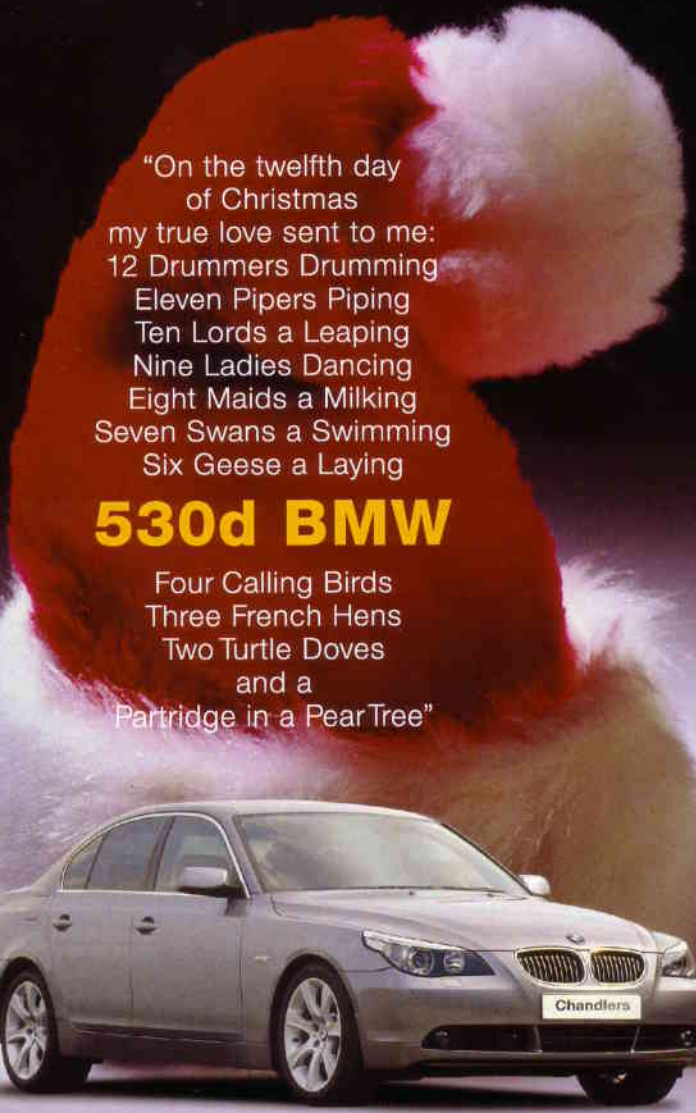
The Prince of Wales, later King Edward VII, attended services more than once and when he died in 1910, a special service was staged in his memory. In 1996, an appeal was launched for £1.5 million to restore the church and money is still being raised for this.

Nikolaus Pevsner, an expert on England's churches, described All Saints as superb and cathedral-like.

Over many years, it has been the ideal setting for Christmas carol services which have invariably been well attended.

**Adam Trimmingham**





"On the twelfth day  
of Christmas  
my true love sent to me:  
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*Please stand*

*Fanfare*

## **THE BIDDING PRAYER** The Reverend Dr David Wostenholm

*SOLO*

Once in royal David's city  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby  
In a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that Mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little Child.

*All Saints Choir*

He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable,  
And his cradle was a stall;  
With the poor and mean and lowly  
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

*Esterhazy Choir*

And through all his wondrous childhood  
He would honour and obey,  
Love and watch the lowly Maiden,  
In whose gentle arms he lay:  
Christian children all must be  
Mild, obedient, good as he.

*All*

For he is our childhood's pattern,  
Day by day like us he grew,  
He was little, weak, and helpless,  
Tears and smiles like us he knew;  
And he feelth for our sadness,  
And he shareth in our gladness.

*All*

And our eyes at last shall see him,  
Through his own redeeming love,  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on  
To the place where he is gone.

*All*

Not in that poor lowly stable,  
With the oxen standing by,  
We shall see him; but in heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high;  
Where like stars his children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.

NARRATION & LESSON 1 (*Genesis 3: 8-15*)

**JOHN WELLS-THORPE OBE**

Chairman, The Martlets Hospice, Hove

*All Saints Choir*

*What sweeter music can we bring*

Rutter

NARRATION & LESSON 2 (*Genesis 22: 15-18*)

**JAYNE BENNETT**

Member of Committee Pink Dolphin Appeal

*London City Brass*

*Christmas Crackers*

Iveson

NARRATION & LESSON 3 (*Isaiah 9: 2,6,7*)

**SIMON BRADSHAW**

Editor-in-Chief, The Argus

All

God rest you merry gentlemen,  
Let nothing you dismay,  
For Jesus Christ our Saviour  
Was born upon this day,  
To save us all from Satan's power  
When we were gone astray:  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heavenly Father  
A blessed angel came,  
And unto certain shepherds  
Brought tidings of the same,  
How that in Bethlehem was born  
The Son of God by name:  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

The shepherds at those tidings  
Rejoiced much in mind,  
And left their flocks - a feeding,  
In tempest, storm and wind,  
And went to Bethlehem straightway  
This blessed babe to find:  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

But when to Bethlehem they came,  
Whereat this infant lay,  
They found him in a manger,  
Where oxen fed on hay,  
His mother Mary kneeling,  
Unto the Lord did pray:  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

Now to the Lord sing praises,  
All you within this place,  
And with true love and brotherhood  
Each other now embrace;  
This holy tide of Christmas  
All others both deface:  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

NARRATION & LESSON 4 (*Micah 5: 2-4*)

**JULIEN BOAST**

Chief Executive, Theatre Royal

*Esterhazy Chamber Choir &  
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*O Magnum Mysterium*

Gabrielli

NARRATION & LESSON 5 (*St Luke 1: 26-38*)

**LISA RODRIGUES**

Chief Executive, West Sussex Health and Social Care Trust

All

In the bleak midwinter,  
frosty wind makes moan.  
Earth stands hard as iron,  
water like a stone.  
Snow has fallen, snow on snow,  
snow on snow.  
In the bleak midwinter,  
Long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him,  
Nor earth sustain,  
Heaven and earth shall flee away  
When he comes to reign;  
In the bleak mid-winter  
A stable-place sufficed,  
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

*St Christopher's School  
only*

Enough for him whom cherubim  
Worship night and day,  
A breastful of milk,  
And a mangerful of hay:  
Enough for him, whom angels  
Fall down before,  
The ox and ass and camel  
Which adore.

What can I give him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man  
I would do my part;  
Yet what can I give him -  
Give my heart

*Elizabeth-Ann Weldon &  
All Saints Choir*

*The Song of Mary (Magnificat)*

Stanford

*St Christopher's School*

*The Holly and the Ivy*

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NARRATION & LESSON 6 (*St Matthew 1: 18-23*)

**HUGH GRIFFITHS**

Chief Executive, Sussex County Cricket Club

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*I Sing of a Maiden*

Hadley

*Verge Jesse Floruit*

Bruckner

**All**

O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars together,  
Proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to men on earth!

How silently, how silently,  
The wondrous Gift is given;  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming,  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him still,  
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in,  
Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel!

NARRATION & LESSON 7 (*St Luke 2: 8-16*)

**DICK KNIGHT**

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*All Saints Choir, St Christopher's School, Esterhazy Chamber Choir, London City Brass,*  
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NARRATION & LESSON 8 (*St Matthew 2: 1-11*)

**PEGGY NEAR**

Churchwarden, Chairman 'Friends of All Saints', Hove

*Esterhazy Chamber Choir*

**Bethlehem Down**

Warlock

*In dulci jubilo*

Scheidt

NARRATION & LESSON 9 (*St John 1: 1-14*)

**THE REVEREND DR DAVID WOSTENHOLM**

Team Rector of Hove

*Please stand*

**Fanfare**

*All*

HARK! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the new born King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled:  
Joyful all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies,  
With the angelic host proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem;  
*Hark! the herald angels sing,  
Glory to the new born king,*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold him come  
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
Hail the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus our Emmanuel:

*Hark! the herald angels sing,  
Glory to the new born king,*

Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Risen with healing in his wings;  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth:  
*Hark! the herald angels sing,  
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## *Michael Maine*

Michael is a Cornishman by birth and as a child was a choral scholar at Truro Cathedral where he was taught the organ by John Winter. Moving to Brighton in 1976, he has become widely known as an organist and choral trainer. While at St Paul's, Brighton, his choir made history by singing services in both Westminster Cathedral and Westminster Abbey on the same day.

For nearly 25 years Michael has been director of music at Hove Parish Church, where he presides over the great Hill Organ - one of the finest instruments of its period surviving. He is head of Lower School and Music Director at St Christopher's School, Hove. Both choirs have recently featured on BBC1 and Radio 4. He is also Director of Music at Brighton and Hove New Synagogue and was recently made Honorary Member of the Guild of Church Musicians in recognition of his work in the musical life of the City.

Acting as one of the organ consultants at the Dome, Brighton, he is looking forward to inaugurating the great organ in March 2004.

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