



PINSUTI



The Ilkley and Skipton Chamber Choir
Conductor Robert Webb



Tidings of Joy!



Join us for a celebration of Christmas music

Including the delightful

Lauridsen: O Magnum Mysterium

Darke: In the Bleak Midwinter

Todd: Softly

With seasonal choral favourites and carols for everyone.

7.30pm Saturday 3rd December

St Andrew's Church

Gargrave BD23 3NE

Tickets: £5 on the door



Pinsuti is a group of about 20 singers, some of whom are semi-professional and trained singers. We take our name from the little-known Victorian composer *Ciro Pinsuti*. Sacred and secular unaccompanied music forms the core of our performances, which are individually tailored to each venue and audience. We perform 4 - 5 concerts each year in the Wharfedale - Airedale area. We also enjoy singing at weddings and other events. We rehearse each Wednesday evening in Ilkley. We are currently recruiting for tenors, an alto, and a bass: If you are interested speak to Rob or a choir member at the interval

Robert Webb read Music at Merton College, Oxford, where he also held a choral scholarship under Peter Philips (Tallis Scholars) and Benjamin Nicholas. He now lives in Leeds with his wife and young son, and enjoys a varied career as a musician in and around West Yorkshire. Robert teaches music at Skipton Girls' High School and is the choir master at Hipperholme Grammar School. He also teaches brass at Horsforth and Roundhay schools in Leeds, and singing at Queensbury School, Bradford. Robert directs the Vocal Expressions Ladies Choir, based in Holmbridge, who he led to victory at the prestigious Mrs Sunderland competition in 2016. He also conducts the Pinsuti chamber choir based in Ilkley which has a growing reputation as one of the best choirs in the area. Robert is a founder member and the conductor of The Ascension Singers, a five part a cappella group based around Leeds. Robert also enjoys the opportunity to perform professionally as a baritone soloist and a trumpet player. In any spare time he gets, Robert enjoys playing sport and spending time with his family.



Future concerts:

A rose without thorns

Saturday 25th March 2017, Hetton Methodist Church

Music inspired by the Virgin Mary featuring Palestrina *Stabat Mater*, Paul Mealor *Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal* and Rachmaninoff *Bogoroditsye Dyevo* from *All-Night Vigil*.

Alleluia!

Saturday 8th July, venue tbc

A programme of both joyful and contemplative music for a summer's evening, including *Zadok the Priest*, Eric Whitacre *Alleluia*, John Tavener *Song for Athene* and of course the Hallelujah Chorus from *The Messiah*, accompanied by brass ensemble and organ.

Programme

Vaughan Williams The truth from above
Pearsall In dulci jubilo
Praetorius Es ist ein Ros
Sandström Det ar en Ros utsprungnen
Congregational O little town of Bethlehem (choir only v.3)
arr. Willcocks Gabriel's Message
Webb A Spotless Rose
Tallis Audivi Vocem de Caelo
Burgon Nunc Dimittis
Shaw Coventry Carol
Victoria Alma Redemptoris Mater
Lauridsen O Magnum Mysterium

Interval

arr. Willcocks Away in a manger
Gabriel Jackson The Christ Child
arr. Willcocks Infant Holy
arr. Willcocks The Infant King
Will Todd Softly
Congregational God rest ye merry gentlemen (choir only v.4)
Darke In the bleak midwinter (acc. Charlie Dobson, organ)
Walford Davies The Holly and the Ivy
Rutter Quem pastores
arr. Willcocks Tomorrow shall be my dancing day
arr. Willcocks Sussex Carol
Congregational Hark the herald

Soprano:

Jennifer Webb
Sally Goodman
Nicky Verity
Sharon Wilson
Laura Lipscombe
Christine Walsh
Sue Jackson
Lucy Scriven

Alto:

Kate Graham
Emily Tysoe
Rachel Wallace
Jane Dobson
Susan Trinder
Jenny Robinson

Tenor:

Vincent Walsh
Chris Skidmore
Charlie Dobson
Martin Wallace

Bass:

Chris Armitage
Mark Cadwallader
Ali Wood
Duncan Faulkner

Organist:

Charlie Dobson

Congregational Carols

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

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

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 to us today
We hear the Christmas
angels
The great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel**

**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***

**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 ...***

But when to Bethlehem they
came,
Whereat this Infant lay,
They found Him in a manger,
Where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling,
Unto the Lord did pray:
O tidings ...

**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 other doth deface:
*O tidings ...***

**Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn 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"**

**Christ by highest heav'n
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 newborn King!"**

**Hail the heav'n-born Prince
of Peace!
Hail the Son of
Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings
Ris'n 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
"Glory to the newborn King!"**