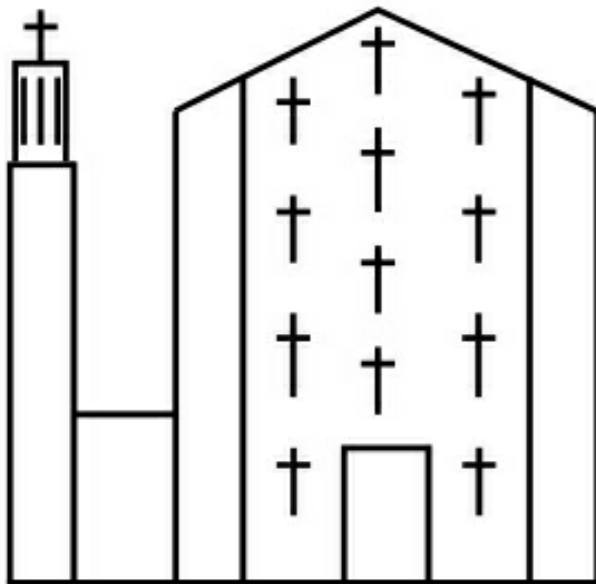


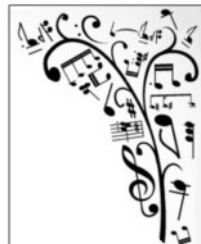
# **St. Wilfrid's Roman Catholic Church**

Present a

## **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Concert**



featuring  
**St. Wilfrid's Church Choir**  
**St. Wilfrid's School Choir**  
and  
**Castle Bromwich Singers**



### **18<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

Programme 50 pence

Net proceeds to St. Wilfrid's Church fund

# Saint Wilfrid's Church



In February 1964 the first stones were laid as work began on the construction of a new Roman Catholic Church on the Firs estate, (the original plans were for the church to be built in Hodge Hill on the Coleshill Road). It was to enable Catholics on the Bromford and Firs Estates, Hodge Hill and Castle Bromwich to be able to gather and worship. Prior to then they had gathered in the Primary School which is still on the original site.

The prestigious Birmingham architect Samuel Nathan Cooke drew up the plans for the building. The building is very tall for its period as it stood among twin block towers. The builders, it was said, almost went bankrupt over the project as the foundations for the building go into the earth to the same depth as the church is visible above ground. Originally the church had underground electric heating but as this source of heating increased in price a new heating system had to be installed.

The church has had many Priests coming and going over the years and our current incumbent is Father Johnny Moore. The nature of the Parish community has also changed to reflect the more multicultural nature of society.



In April 1965 the work was completed and we have marked the anniversary with liturgical and social gatherings throughout the year. This concert is our final celebration which brings our community together; the primary school, the church choir, some local home grown talent - Castle Bromwich Singers. It promises to be a wonderful occasion.

Full details about masses and other services can be had on the Parish web site - [stwilfridschurch.eu](http://stwilfridschurch.eu) - Rev. Fr Johnny Moore

# Saint Wilfrid's Church Choir



We have always been blessed with beautiful music and singing for our Liturgies at St. Wilfrid's.

The first organist and choir mistress was Mrs Panicalli who began when services were held in the school. Mrs Pauline Babyllis succeeded her until 1990. Helen took over as organist 25 years ago with choir master Michael Mellington. The present choir is under the guidance and leadership of Helen and David Kemp.

## Saint Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School



We are a Catholic primary school where all our pupils belong to a caring, sharing community which promotes learning through respect and love for all through our shared Catholic faith. We strive to follow Christ's example to always do our best.

St Wilfrid's School celebrated fifty years in 2010 and was vastly extended in 2012. It has around 250 pupils plus a non-denominational nursery unit with 26 full-time children. The head teacher is Mr. Richard Baker.

# Program

## First half

**First Light, (We are the children)**

Mike Stanley, Joanne Boyce & Chris Rolinson

All

**The Circle of Life**

Elton John and Tim Rice arr. Keith Christopher

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Move On**

Stig Anderson, Björn Ulvaeus & Benny Andersson

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Amazing Grace**

Arr. Milt Rodgers

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Sunrise, Sunset**

Jerry Bock and Sheldon Hardnick

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Sabbath Prayer**

Jerry Bock and Sheldon Hardnick

Castle Bromwich Singers

**You Raise Me up**

Brendan Graham & Rolf Lovland arr. Roger Emerson

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Downtown**

Tony Hatch

Karen McKillop

**Over The Rainbow**

Harold Arlen & E Y Harburg

Karen McKillop

**Bye Bye Love**

Felice Bryant & Boudleaux Bryant

David Kemp and Jack Woodward

**Crying in the Rain**

Carole King & Howard Greenfield

David Kemp and Jack Woodward

**Song to the Trinity**

Mike Stanley arr. Chris Rolinson

St. Wilfrid's School Choir

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## Second Half

**We Are Called To Serve**

Julie & Tim Smith

St. Wilfrid's Church Choir

**Hosea**

Gregory Norbet

St. Wilfrid's Church Choir

**I Have Felt The Wind Blow**

Brian Doerkson

St. Wilfrid's Church Choir

**We Will Remember (Armistice Version)**

Mike Stanley & Andy Ross

David Kemp

**The Book That's Reading Me**

Tony Cummins & Mike Stanley

David Kemp

**Happy**

Pharrell Williams

St. Wilfrid's School Choir

**Seranade**

Franz Schubert arr. Graham Romani

Helen Kemp

**Russisher Tanz (Russian Dance)**

Georgi Schenderjew

Helen Kemp

**Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head**

Hal David & Burt Bacharach

Barbara Oliver

**Anthem**

Benny Andersson, Tim Rice & Bjorn Ulvaeus

Jack Woodward

**Bridge Over Troubled Water**

Paul Simon, arr. Clyde Sechler

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Time to Say Goodbye**

Francesco Sartori, Lucio Quarantotto & Frank Peterson arr. Mac Huff

Castle Bromwich Singers

**Sing**

Sir Andrew Lloyd-Webber and Gary Barlow

All

# Castle Bromwich Singers



Castle Bromwich Singers have been entertaining for nearly 50 years. Our aim is to encourage the development of individual talents, to promote the enjoyment of popular music and to raise funds for charity. We sing at local residential homes and in supermarkets at Christmas time

and have a lot of fun in the process.

Our big show is held every October at Arden Hall when many people are involved with singing, playing, front of house, technicians, costume and flower arranging departments.

If you would like to join us in any capacity please contact:

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  - 0121 748 7635
- Front of House
  - Greg Thomas
  - 01675 592059

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Please visit our website for further details.

[www.castlebromwichsingers.org.uk](http://www.castlebromwichsingers.org.uk)



We're also on  at [www.facebook.com/CBSingers](http://www.facebook.com/CBSingers)

## Future events

St. Wilfrid's Parish	July (date to be confirmed)	Parish BBQ
Castle Bromwich Singers	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> to Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Show week, Arden Hall
Castle Bromwich Singers	Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Castle Brom Hall Gardens
St. Wilfrid's Parish	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Bazaar
Castle Bromwich Singers	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Carols at ASDA Minworth
Castle Bromwich Singers	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Carols at ASDA, Chelmsley Wood



## Get involved...

If you enjoyed the concert and feel you would like to have a go yourself there are several opportunities to join a choir in the Castle Bromwich and surrounding areas.

### Castle Bromwich Singers

rehearse each week on Tuesdays, at Castle Bromwich Baptist Church, Timberley Lane, from 19:30 until 22:00, with rehearsals moving to Arden Hall closer to show date. There are no auditions, no experience is necessary! If you think it could be the activity for you, call Greg on 07825 96 92 98, fill in the form at the bottom of our web page, or just turn up on a Tuesday, (although we do occasionally take a week off, so it may be best to check first).

The church choir rehearse on Thursday evenings from 19:30 until 21:00, although not every week so check with the church before turning up. Other groups are The Heart of England Singers, (Mondays, Marston Green), Spectrum Vocal Harmony Group and The Caroliners Singing Group, (Thursdays, Timberley Lane Baptist Church). Many of the churches in our area have choirs as well.



## Refreshments

Tea, coffee, and cold drinks will be available during the interval and afterwards in the community hall next door.

Donations gratefully received.

**Raffle tickets** also on sale in the community hall.

## **Castle Bromwich Singers**

Maureen Askill  
Pauline Bodfish  
Trevor Brindley  
Julie Corcoran  
Clare Corcoran  
John Goldingay  
Mildred Goldingay  
Les Holgate  
Wendy Hollis  
Jackie Kelly  
David Kemp  
Joyce Mitchell  
Jenny Olise  
Barbara Oliver  
Tracey Pender  
Isabelle Pollock  
Marion Pollock  
Allan Thomas  
Jordan Thomas  
Lisa Thomas  
Jenny Tubbs  
Jack Woodward

## **Production Team**

David Kemp                      Helen Kemp

## **Musicians**

Stella Aston                      Musical Director & Piano  
Malcolm Bell                      Bass Guitar  
Helen Kemp                      Keyboard  
Adam Thomas                      Drums  
Richard Paige                      Keyboard

## **Sound**

Craig Bell

## **Wardrobe**

Mildred Goldingay              Margaret Grady  
Molly Holmes

## **Front of House**

Greg Thomas      Manager  
Sue Bell

## **Stage Management**

Jackie Dale

## **St. Wilfrid's School Choir**

Mili McGrory                      Choir Mistress  
Children from KS2

## **St. Wilfrid's Church Choir**

Helen Kemp                      Keyboard  
David Kemp  
Mike Davey  
Jacqui Jones  
Jackie Kelly                      Wardrobe  
Karen McKillop  
Isabelle Pollock  
Marion Pollock  
Tony Pollock



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