



There has been a robed Liturgical choir at St Mark's for over 120 years! The current choir was re-organised in 1993 when Dr William Clark OAM was appointed Director of Music for the 8am Choral Communion Service and organist for weddings and funerals. Dr Clark recently retired and we have welcomed our new Director of Music, Sam Giddy.

The St Mark's Choir sings a choral repertoire covering five centuries of church music and more recent contemporary anthems and settings. The Choir leads a wide variety of hymns which the 8am congregation sings with enthusiasm and commitment. The Choir also sings a variety of service settings by Anglican composers and a large number of anthems and motets covering five centuries of musical composition.

The 8am service is accompanied by our excellent Létourneau organ built in 2004 and donated by the late Lady (Nancy) Fairfax as a memorial to her late husband, Sir Vincent Fairfax. A new grand piano is also used at some of our services. The piano was anonymously donated by two generous parishioners. We add a brass ensemble for important services such as Easter and Christmas.



In addition to Choral services, the Choir or sections of it sing at funerals and weddings as requested. The Choir presents an annual Concert and also an annual Festival of Lessons and Carols service for families and parishioners.

St Mark's Choir is delighted to be reviving Choral Evensong (Evening Prayer) services. Two services are held each year, usually in June and October. We encourage anyone who values the services contained in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer to attend and enjoy this musical treat and time of reflection. The next service will be held in 2025 [click here](#).



For more information about the St Mark's Choir, please contact choir@stmarksdp.org or speak to Samuel Giddy.

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