



St Simon Zelotes

Bass Single Vacancy

The Role

We are looking for a skilled and enthusiastic bass singer to join our professional choir of four who sing at the morning service each Sunday (9am rehearsal for 10am service), to start ideally from January 2023. We are looking for someone who is sympathetic to the Christian faith and who is eager to serve the church through their contribution to the morning service. We believe that music is an essential part of Christian worship and should aim to glorify God and strengthen his people in faith. Good sight-reading skills are essential, as is the ability to blend vocally within a small choir.

Each week the robed choir sings two or three musical items which may include chanted or responsorial psalms, morning canticles and anthems, in addition to supporting and encouraging the congregation through leading the hymn singing. The choir sings every Sunday during the year except for the Sunday (or two, depending on the date) after Christmas, the last Sunday of July and all of August. We expect that the post holder will be able to commit to sing at at least two-thirds of the Sunday services in any year. There are extra services throughout the year, including on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Valentine's Day, Good Friday as well as a carol service. In addition, there are funerals, memorial services and weddings which attract a higher fee. For all services, when singers are absent they are required to arrange their own deputies, in consultation with the Director of Music.

Appointments are for a three-year period; all singers in the choir undertake a vocal assessment every three years.

Choir fees (2023)

Sunday morning service £70

Additional church service £85

Weddings/funerals etc. £100 (with an increase for services that are recorded or videoed)

All morning services are live-streamed and available for the benefit of those who are unable to attend in person. No additional fees are payable on the basis that the live streams are not for commercial use.