



Newsletter

Patron: Sir Trevor Garland

June 2022

From the Editor

Greetings All

This year seems to be going at an amazing speed and suddenly it is near the end of June!

This is my excuse for a very late Newsletter to gently remind you that TCS are well and truly singing again. This has become a rather strange edition as interesting details emerged about where we have sung recently.



Padraig's selfie at Balmain!



We have a generous grant from Ku-ring-gai Council enabling us to maintain our high standards of performance but this can only be used for specific/limited purposes.

We really appreciate your support to enable us to stay solvent in these strange times.

As it is near the end of the financial year, here are the details of various ways to donate if you feel so inclined! Many thanks!

Jan Kneeshaw
SECRETARY/CHAIR

How to support TCS

Cheques should be made payable to "The Cathedral Singers Donation Fund"

Banking details for direct transfers (please notify us by email):

Bank account details: BSB 814 282 A/c 504 371 53

Postal address: The Cathedral Singers PO Box 569 Gordon NSW 2072

Please email us for further details: tcs@cathedralsingers.org.au

or ring Jan Kneeshaw on 9144 4915 or 0411 785 117

More details on our website: www.cathedralsingers.org.au

All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible

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Would you like to consider joining us?

Contact Jan Kneeshaw on 9144 4915 or the Director,

Jim Abraham on 0405 817 276

Email: jan.kneeshaw@optusnet.com.au

We recently sang at Bowral.

We sang excerpts from Karl Jenkins The Armed Man (a mass for peace) as well as Stanford in Bb and Come Holy Ghost (Attwood).

Our fearsome leader could not join us and got COVID the next day. Thanks to Dr Brett McKern who led and played for us. A noble effort! Thanks Brett.



Last week we sang a full festal Evensong at St John's Gordon.

This was very well received. As well as singing the setting – Stanford in C, and the festal setting of Psalm 150, we sang the new anthem by Thomas Hewlitt-Jones – “In our Service”, commissioned by the Royal School of Music especially for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Year. It includes words “inspired by poignant words said by the Queen in her speeches over the years” – Hewitt-Jones.

You might be interested to read the words and follow along with the official rendition -

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cmzoVnj2o0:](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cmzoVnj2o0)

Lyrics

No gilded throne nor gleaming crown of sapphire

Can sure outshine an earthly vow

To serve, to live with dignity

With humble stewardship and sacrifice

A pledge of unity a vow of love

Though earthly rulers' roles are often fleeting

Truth comes to those who nobly dare

To live a life of constancy

To love thy neighbour and thy family

A living ministry: an act of love

So ev'ry day, we strive to do what's right

Not choosing spite nor breeding hate

A life of faith and honesty

As courage is the key to progress

We'll surely journey on, sustained by love

The truth is, grief is the price we pay for love

And surely love will life sustain

With endless grace of heart and mind

To ascend with ever greater purpose

Through all the darkest times

To show us holy life

Throughout the years of life

A vow of love

Source: LyricFind

In Our Service lyrics © O/B/O Apra Amcos

Yesterday the choir sang again at Balmain. This was a special service involving the Navy. You may notice the changes to choristers. Like many other choirs, we have had our fair share of sickness which has affected attendance. We are grateful for the many deputies who have helped us out. Massive thanks to long term TCS choristers Padraig and Hilary Byrne and family for stepping in so professionally. Also good to have Peter Hughes with us.

Here is the evidence in a photo taken by the Navy!



Here is their entry about it on Facebook:

Next week will be a big Sunday at St John's! Our 140th birthday and a presentation of our new white ensign from the Royal Australian Navy. All welcome to join the ceremony and join us for morning tea in the hall afterwards.. #whiteensign #ensign #navy #maritimehistory #birthday #royalaustriannavy

Here is the updated Program for 2022.

Month	Day	Date	Time	Event	Venue
July	Sunday	24	9.00am	Eucharist	St Luke's Mosman
	Saturday	30	5.30pm 6.00pm	Vespers Mass	St Mary's Cathedral
August	Sunday	14	4.00pm	Evensong	St John's Birchgrove/Balmain
September	Sunday	11	4.00pm	Evensong	St John's Gordon
October	Sunday	23	3.00pm	Evensong	Holy Trinity Terrigal
November	Sunday	6	9.30am	Eucharist	St John's Birchgrove/Balmain
	Sunday	13	4.00pm	Remembrance Day Evensong	St John's Gordon
	Saturday	26	5.30pm 6.00pm	Vespers Mass	St Mary's Cathedral
December	Sunday	11	6.00pm	Lessons & Carols	St John's Birchgrove/Balmain
	Sunday	18	7.30pm	Lessons & Carols	St John's Gordon