57th Church Stretton and South Shropshire Arts Festival



All Saints' Church, Little Stretton

By kind permission of the Churchwarden

Organ recital by Allan Walker

Monday August 5th, 2024 at noon

Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C BWV 564

Bach 1685 - 1750

Schlummerlied

Schumann 1810 - 1856 arr W.T.Best

Choral No 3 in A minor

Franck 1822 - 1890

Melodie Plaintive

Ketèlby 1875 - 1959 arr Goss-Custard

Prelude Op 105 No 1

Stanford 1852 - 1924

Sortie in Bb

Lefébure-Wély 1817 - 1869

Allan Walker was Head Chorister at St John's College, Cambridge, under the late Dr George Guest, and later won a music scholarship to Harrow School before returning to St John's, Cambridge in 1993 as Organ Scholar. He studied the organ with Andrew Nethsingha, Christopher Robinson and David Sanger and as Organ Scholar toured Australia, South Africa, North America and Europe, as well as performing in broadcasts and recordings for the BBC and foreign broadcasters. Allan has worked as Organist and Director of Music for several churches, including All Saints' Cathedral, Nairobi. He has performed nationally and internationally as soloist, accompanist and conductor. Allan is also a gifted pianist - solo performances include Rachmaninov's 2nd Piano Concerto and Beethoven's 4th Piano Concerto.

Since moving to Worcestershire in 2009 he has worked regularly with Malvern Festival Chorus, the Marches Community Choir, the Phoenix Singers and the Elgar Chorale. As a viola player he is an enthusiastic member of the Worcester Philharmonic Orchestra and he lives with his wife and daughter near Malvern, where he is employed as Director of International Schools for Malvern College.

Next recital - Wednesday August 7th Richard Walker at St James' Church, Cardington

Refreshments available in the Village Hall (opposite the church) from 11.15am

The Royal Oak will be open for lunch after the recital