

# EAST MALLING SIN

## 'EMS AUGMENTED' CONCERT

19 October 2024 at 7.30 pm

*Requiem Mass in D Minor* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

The autumn concert this year will see a return to our tried and tested format of inviting singers to come and join us in a performance: this year it will be the Mozart *Requiem*. Mozart composed part of the *Requiem* in Vienna in late 1791, but died before he could finish it. A completed version dated 1792 by Franz Xaver Süssmayr was delivered to Count Franz von Walsegg, who had commissioned the piece for a requiem service on 14 February 1792 to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of his wife Anna at the age of 20 on 14 February 1791.

We will also be singing *Laudate Dominum* by Mozart and *Magdalena* by Brahms.

Tickets £12, school children free

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

14 December 2024 at 7.30pm

This concert will feature our usual range of carols and other seasonal works, including a processional mass to the Virgin Mary, *Hanacpachap Cussicuinin*, compiled in 1645 in Peru by Father Bocanegra and sung in the original Quechua. But there will also be more familiar works and plenty of opportunities to sing your favourite carols. Finally, no EMS Christmas concert would be complete without the hot mince pies and mulled wine during the interval!

Tickets £12, school children free

Tickets available from Sue Greenham on 01622 or at the door. Ticket price £12 .... Etc

# GERS - 54th SEASON

## SPRING CONCERT

(An 'EMS Augmented' Concert)

5 April 2025 at 7.30pm

*Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

*Elijah* is rarely performed nowadays and yet it remains a popular work amongst singers, which is why we decided to make this an 'Augmented' concert. Details of how to join will be on the website nearer the time.



The oratorio was first performed on 26 August 1846 at Birmingham Town Hall in its English version, conducted by the composer, and it was immediately acclaimed a classic of the genre.

Mendelssohn was greatly influenced by the music of Bach and Handel. However whilst *Elijah*, was modelled on the oratorios of his two Baroque predecessors, in its lyricism and use of orchestral and choral colour it clearly reflects Mendelssohn's own skill as an early Romantic composer.

Tickets £12, school children free

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## SUMMER CONCERT

12 July 2025 at 7.30pm

A celebration of early English music

We do not often dive into the Elizabethan and Stuart periods for our musical inspirations, so we decided to do so at this summer concert.

We will be performing works by some of the great masters of early English music: Dowland, Tallis and Byrd, and we will finish with Purcell's sublime *Dido and Aeneas*.

It should be a memorable way to end our 54<sup>th</sup> season.

Tickets £12, school children free



Music Director - Ciara Considine

Concerts take place in the Church of St James the Great, by kind permission of the vicar and churchwardens

Gala Concert, July 2022



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# East Malling Singers

Music Director:  
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54th Season

2024-2025

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NEW MEMBERS

Currently in its 54th year, East Malling Singers is a friendly, mixed, amateur choir of approximately 70 members that performs a wide variety of sacred and secular music. We usually perform four concerts per year at St James the Great Church, East Malling, often joined by professional soloists and orchestra, as well as guest singers.

Previous choral singing experience and sight-reading are not necessary. For more details please contact the Membership Secretary on 01622 675592 or by using the Contact Us link on our website: [www.eastmallingsingers.co.uk](http://www.eastmallingsingers.co.uk).