

ALTOS INVITED

We are looking for male and female altos to sing occasionally or more regularly at Ss Peter & Paul Chingford, E4 7EN. This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone and particularly for those who want to develop their skills and experience of the glorious Anglican musical tradition.

At Chingford there is a Boys' Choir, Girls' Choir, Men's Choir and the Chingford Singers (a choir of Sopranos and Altos). The men sing with all of the choirs on different occasions. Also, on one or two occasions each year a Chamber Choir is formed from former girl choristers who have gone on to University.

This Parish Church maintains on Sundays and Feast days a full musical tradition such as one might find in a Cathedral - and it regularly sings in Cathedrals throughout England and further afield. There is an annual Cathedral Week in England and occasional visits to sing in European churches, such as Notre Dame, Paris, as well as venues in Rome and elsewhere. More information about the choirs and music can be found on the Parish website http://parishofchingford.org.uk/.

We are looking for altos who may like to join us just on some occasions by arrangement or on a regular basis. Unfortunately we are not able to pay fees to singers, but reasonable travel expenses from the London area could be met. The adult singers enjoy the social side of the choir and many go for a drink after Evensongs. Our regular choirmen rehearse from 20:00 to 21:30 on Fridays during term times but we also have a few singers with suitable sight-reading ability who just join us for specific services and the rehearsal immediately beforehand.

The organ and a good grand piano are available for personal practice to regular singers by arrangement with the Director of Music.

Chingford is easily accessible on a TFL Overground line from Liverpool Street (a journey of about 28 minutes), Hackney Downs (with a connection to Hackney Central on another Overground route) and Walthamstow (where there is connection with the Victoria Line.) There are also buses from Walthamstow and other parts of north east London coming into the bus terminus at Chingford Station, about 6 minutes' walk to the Parish Church.



Chingford Parish Church Choir in Rome, April 2024

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