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# COME & SING

# ROSSINI

## Petite Messe Solennelle

### Saturday 13 April 2024

**Love singing?**

Join our choral workshop  
to learn and perform this  
choral masterpiece in  
just one day!

Full  
details  
overleaf

**St Andrew's Methodist Church**  
**Pump Street, Worcester WR1 2QT**

Registration from 9.30am  
Workshops 10.15am - 4.45pm

**Christopher Allsop** conductor  
**Nicholas Freestone** accompanist



**TICKETS £22 adults / £10 students**  
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Local call rate & booking fees apply

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### CONDUCTOR

**CHRISTOPHER  
ALLSOP**

Eton College Organist  
& Music Teacher



### ACCOMPANIST

**NICHOLAS  
FREESTONE**

Worcester Cathedral  
Assistant Director of Music

### PROGRAMME

Arrive, register & receive score	from 9.30am
<b>1st singing workshop</b>	<b>10.15 am</b>
Morning break	11.30 am
<b>2nd singing workshop</b>	<b>11.50 am</b>
Lunch break	1.15 pm
<b>3rd singing workshop</b>	<b>2.00 pm</b>
Afternoon break	3.20 pm
<b>Informal performance with soloists</b>	<b>3.45-4.45 pm</b>

**About the music** Dramatic, emotive and colourful, Gioachino Rossini's 1863 *Petite Messe Solennelle* is a delightful musical gem of the Romantic era. Although a heartfelt religious work, it was written for performance in a Paris salon – and is full of the delightful touches of an astonishing man of the theatre.

**Scores / Experience** Loan of a vocal score is included in the ticket price (Ricordi edition) but if you have your own score you are welcome to bring it (please let us know for numbers). Singers don't need choral experience to take part, but if the work is new to you, some ability to read music will be useful. If you're already familiar with it, come and enjoy the sing!

**Refreshments** Free tea, coffee and water will be available during breaks, plus an array of home-baked cake to purchase. For lunch why not pre-order from our delicious choice of soups, lasagnes, sandwiches, scones and more? Simply order when booking your tickets. (Includes vegetarian; other dietary needs on request.)

**Venue / Access / Travel** Spacious, convivial St Andrew's Methodist Church is in a convenient, pedestrian area just off Worcester High Street. Full wheelchair access. Lift or stairs to all floors. Several public car parks within 5 mins' walk (most card/app payment). Bus station and Foregate Street train station 15-20 mins' walk.



**How to book** Tickets **£22 (adults) / £10 (students)\*** Book by Wednesday 10 April 2024.

\* Admission by pre-booked ticket only. Under 18s to be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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