

the  
**RIPIENO**  
choir



  
English Arts  
Chorale

## SATURDAY 18 JUNE & 2 JULY

Programme includes Tallis *Spem in Alium* and Rachmaninov *Vespers*  
Conducted by Huw Morgan and Leslie Olive

8pm Saturday 18 June 2022

Our Lady of Lourdes  
Hampton Court Way  
Thames Ditton KT7 0LP

### TICKETS

£16 in advance  
£18 on the day, £5 under 18s  
Group discounts available

Book online at  
[www.ripenochoir.org.uk/tickets](http://www.ripenochoir.org.uk/tickets)  
or email [vox@ripenochoir.org.uk](mailto:vox@ripenochoir.org.uk)  
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7.30pm Saturday 2 July 2022

St. Mary's Church  
Chart Lane  
Reigate RH2 7RN

### TICKETS

£20, £15, £10  
Concessions £6

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**E**vening time, as night falls. A time of reflection.  
A time of repose. A time of peace.

Such sentiments echo throughout eventide  
and nocturnal music: complex and powerful  
melodies combine to create reflective and prayerful  
soundscapes.

Setting the traditional elements of the all-night  
vigil service to music, with a few additional  
movements of his own, Rachmaninov's *Vespers*  
weave a rich and complex galaxy of choral  
sound around the plainchant melodies of the  
orthodox church.

In contrast, Tallis' monumental forty-part  
motet *Spem in Alium* is a spectacular display of  
his mastery of complex polyphony and  
harmonic counterpoint. As the musical baton  
is passed around the eight choirs, of five voices

each, the sonic tapestry envelopes the audience in the  
sixteenth century equivalent of surround sound.

In Knut Nystedt's *Immortal Bach* and Huw  
Morgan's *Night Prayer*, multiple choirs sing the same  
music at different times, creating a contemporary  
effect of mystical calm and reverence.

The Ripieno Choir and the English Arts  
Chorale come together to perform these choral *tours de  
force* not once, but twice. In Thames Ditton or Reigate,  
join us for an evening of music to refresh the soul.



  
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