

What do we sing?

We have a large repertoire of traditional and modern songs, in both unison and parts. We sing many old favourites from plainsong, Bach, Handel and Wesley, through Stainer, Vaughan Williams, Holst and Howells to the contemporary Christian music of Redman, Townend, Goodall, Rutter, Amy Grant and co... Singing in harmony, including descant, and in different rhythms helps to develop our aural skills and diction.



Who can join?

You don't have to pass an audition! The Choir has both boys and girls of all ages from Year 2 upwards, as well as adults. Youngsters whose voices are 'breaking' can still carry on singing!

How can I get involved?

Any young person or adult - whether you think they can sing or not! - is most welcome to come and sit in at a rehearsal, with no obligation! And of course you can come and talk to the choristers themselves after a Service. (Details of Services are on the church website www.knockholt-church.org)

If you are interested in joining the choir, or want to find out more, please contact

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ST KATHARINE'S CH^{IR} IR Knockholt

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A bit about the Choir...

What would you gain from joining?

The Choir at St Katharine's is a group of singers who meet regularly and love singing songs, hymns and anthems new and old. By joining the choir, you can learn important singing skills, teamwork, fundamental musical skills and, most of all, public performance training, which will also help to develop your confidence.

When do we meet?

We rehearse most Wednesday evenings (youngsters 6.00pm to 7.00pm, adults 6.45pm to 7.45pm), and then sing at the Family Service on the fourth Sunday of each month, and sometimes at other services like Easter, Christmas and weddings..



What does it cost?

It's free to become a member of our choir, and in fact members are paid various rates for each rehearsal and service they attend.

What social activities do we do?

Needless to say, it is not all work being a chorister. We feel it should also be a fun and social time with others. Through the year we may have outings, picnics and concert or theatre trips. We sing at events organised by the Rochester Diocesan Music Committee and Churches Together in Sevenoaks. An annual event with a strong following is Carol Singing at the local Coolings Garden Centre, when we have been raising money for the Demelza Children's Hospice.

Singing as one!

The youngsters and adults sing together on most of the music, and we sometimes join the choir from our neighbouring church, St Margaret's at Halstead, for special events.



'Voice for Life'

Our Choir follows the Royal School of Church Music's "Voice for Life" Scheme. With this system, all musical abilities are catered for, and even complete beginners can gradually learn how to develop their voice and how to perform quite complex music and understand the theory.



There are four levels to this, and, after completing each level, the chorister is awarded a medal and ribbon. (There are also external Royal School awards for those ready to have a go.) Chorister have their own workbook which we work through steadily whenever there is time in rehearsals.