

TVS Summer Concerts

You are warmly invited to attend one of our Summer concerts on Friday 19th or Saturday 20th July in The Barn, Goosecroft Lane, off Beech Road, Purley on Thames. This will be a programme of popular and light music to suit all tastes.

Please visit our website: www.thamesvalesingers.org.uk for further updates on future concerts.

Thames Vale Singers would like to extend their thanks to St. Michael's Church for hosting their performances of Stainer's Crucifixion.

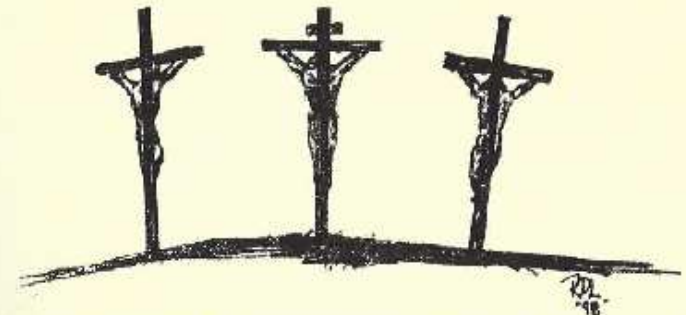


Thames Vale Singers

present

The Crucifixion

by John Stainer



Friday 22nd & Saturday 23rd March 2013

7:30pm

at

St Michael's Church, New Lane Hill, Tilehurst

Musical Director: Bernard Soper

Organist: Peter Bernard

Soloists:

Norman Bagshaw

Ken Baker

Melanie Griffiths

Rosemarie, Grace, Alison and Linda

Karen, Sonia and Wendy

David, Derek and Dave

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'Crucifixion' by John Stainer was expressly written as a meditation on the events leading up to Jesus' death in Holy week before Easter. It was intended that 'the local church or amateur choir could perform it easily and invites the congregation to take part in the meditation by singing the hymns.

It is an evocation of Christ's Passion in typically Victorian sentimental music, yet a sensitive and warm performance reveals a simple, perhaps naive, but deeply passionate belief in the relevance of Jesus' story to the individual and to humanity. In our hyper-cynical, egotistic 'global' society, perhaps the heartfelt retelling of the terrible death of a good man on the cross will remind us of our humility and our duty to each other this Easter.

1. **Recitative** AND THEY CAME TO A PLACE NAMED GETHSEMANE
2. **Chorus** THE AGONY
3. **Chorus** PROCESSIONAL TO CALVARY and FLING WIDE THE GATES

4. **Recitative** AND WHEN THEY WERE COME
5. **Hymn (all)** THE MYSTERY OF DIVINE HUMILIATION
6. **Recitative** THE MADE HIMSELF OF NO REPUTATION
7. **Solos** THE MAJESTY OF THE DIVINE HUMILIATION
8. **Recitative** AND MOSES LIFTED UP THE SERPENT
9. **Chorus** GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD
10. **Hymn (all)** LITANY OF THE PASSION
11. **Recitative** JESUS SAID "FATHER FORGIVE THEM"
12. **Duet** SO THOU LIFTEST THY DIVINE PETITION
13. **Hymn (all)** THE MYSTERY OF THE INTERCESSION
14. **Recitative** AND ONE OF THE MALEFACTORS
15. **Hymn (all)** THE ADORATION OF THE CRUCIFIED
16. **Recitative** WHEN JESUS THEREFORE SAW HIS MOTHER
17. **Recitative** IS IT NOTHING TO YOU?
18. **Chorus** THE APPEAL OF THE CRUCIFIED
19. **Recitative** AFTER THIS JESUS KNOWING THAT ALL THINGS WERE NOW ACCOMPLISHED
20. **Hymn (all)** FOR THE LOVE OF JESUS.

