This year we are pleased to announce the eighth annual series of "Music in Saint Mary's" concerts in Alveley.

With support from you, our regular audience, we can continue to enjoy these splendid musical evenings, which have become a well-loved feature of the Saint Mary's Church calendar.

The 12<sup>th</sup> century church itself is a wonderful old building, both visually and acoustically, and live music is enthusiastically supported. We hope this will always make St Mary's a welcoming place for both performers and audiences.



# **Tickets:**

### £7.50 per concert

tickets at the door or available in advance from: Jean Marshall (01746) 780500 Andrew Crabtree (01746) 780478

(all cheques payable to Alveley PCC)

Tickets include a glass of wine or fruit juice unless stated otherwise in the brochure.

# Series tickets:

all 5 concerts for £25.00 (a saving of £12.50!!) available in advance or at the first concert

All profits from the concerts will go towards the work of St Mary's Church and we are grateful for the generous sponsorship of:

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#### SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 7.30pm **The Bridgnorth Male Voice Choir** director: Beth Howells accompanist: Ann Plant

We are delighted to welcome back the Bridgnorth Male Voice Choir. Founded in 1962, they have performed both locally and internationally. The choir is a member of the National Association of Choirs, and their annual visit to St Mary's always provides one of our most popular concerts.

## SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> APRIL **8.00pm** Chapter Eight

vocal harmony group



Chapter 8 was formed in September 2008 and comprises members of leading cathedral choirs and solo performers. Their repertoire ranges from the most sublime choral music of all time to popular light favourites. They also 'premiere' works by today's talented new composers and arrangers.

## SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 7.30pm Fret & Fiddle



Founded in Birmingham in 2000, award winning jazz quartet Fret & Fiddle draw inspiration from the jazz bands of the 30's and 40's, and particularly from the most famous of them all fronted by Stéphane Grappelli and Django Reinhardt. They return to Alveley by popular demand.

# WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2.30pm

#### Free Organ Recital

#### **Organist, Andrew Crabtree**

Andrew will introduce a variety of music including many favourite pieces which have been arranged for the organ. This will be followed by tea and cakes at about 3.15pm

### WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2.30pm Free Organ Recital

#### **Organist, John Brierley**

We are pleased to welcome this highly respected organist and musician from Worcester. John Brierley visited Alveley in June 2016 when he accompanied Russell Painter. We are delighted to have him back again to play for us, this time in his own right. The recital will be followed by tea and cakes at about 3.15pm

### SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 7.30pm Pierre Bensusan



Touring the UK and Ireland in 2017, acoustic guitar virtuoso Pierre Bensusan has taken his unique music around the world. Winner of the 2014 Independent Music Award for live performance, we are extremely fortunate to be included in his 2017 concert schedule. PLEASE NOTE ADMISSION IS BY TICKET ONLY TO THIS CONCERT.

#### SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 7.00pm

#### **Alveley Village Band and**

# The Alveley Singers

present the Alveley Christmas Concert



Christmas in Alveley would not be complete without the traditional concert given by these two popular local groups. They will provide a fun-filled and festive finale to the 2017 Concert Series.

Mulled wine and mince pies during the interval will add to the festive cheer.