

Some of the 3,500 pipes of our fine organ are over 300 years old. Since Henry Purcell gave the opening recital in 1684, the instrument has been enlarged and enriched by a succession of leading organ builders. It was most recently restored in 2010 by Nicholsons of Malvern. Organists of the church have included the 18th century composer William Boyce (here for 32 years), as well as Harold Darke (50 years) and Richard Popplewell. The [Royal] College of Organists was founded here in the 19th century. The weekly recitals series is thought to be the longest-running in the world. It became a fixture in the City of London in 1914, when office workers turned to the church in the face of the horrors of World War I.

The continuation of this well-known series depends on the support of the audience. Please be generous as you leave. There is a bowl for cash; and two card-readers are designed to manage debit and credit cards. A QR code is also on display.

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

in St Michael's Cornhill

MONDAYS AT ONE November-December 2025

Monday 10 November, 1pm BEL COMEAU

(London)

MESSIAEN Joie et clarté des Corps Glorieux elsas (arr BC) Que no siga (la noche)!
LIDDLE Sharounag, op 20
MESSIAEN Communion - les oiseaux
MESSIAEN Les ressuscités et la lumière
CLEAVER (arr BC) Pray for El-Fasher
DUKE ELLINGTON (BC) Sonnet for Caesar
STRAYHORN (BC) Star-crossed lovers
DEBUSSY (arr BC) Fêtes

Monday 17 November, 1pm BENJAMIN MARKOVIC

(Assistant, St Michael's Cornhill)
BACH Prelude & Fugue in c, BWV 546
BYRD A Fancy
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KARG-ELERT 3 Impressions, op 72
BOURGEOIS Serenade
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FRANK BRIDGE 3 Pieces, H 63
LÉFÉBURE-WÉLY Sortie in E flat
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2 PROGRAMMES OF MUSIC BY EUGÈNE GIGOUT, WHO DIED ON 9/12/1925 Monday 24 November, 1pm GERARD BROOKS

(Westminster Central Hall)
Rhapsodie sur des Airs Catalans (1891) 9
Prelude & Fugue in b (1872) 10
Scherzo (1913) 6
Andante varié (1896) 6
Suite de trois pièces (Marche, Lied, Marche) 19

Monday 1 December, 1pm ANTHONY GRITTEN

(Royal Academy of Music) Dix pièces (1892)

8 December: Jeremiah Stephenson plays Messiaen's iconic *La Nativité du Seigneur*

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