

THE DEANERY CHOIR

NOVEMBER DIARY 2025

Nov 9th The Deanery choir will be singing at **St George's Church, Great Bromley CO7 7TS** at the 11am Remembrance service. The choir will sing the anthem 'Russian Contakion of the departed' by Sir W Parratt. **Sir Walter Parratt** (born Feb. 10, 1841, Huddersfield, England. - died March 27, 1924, Windsor) was an organist who exerted great influence by his understanding of Bach. At age 11, he was organist at a local church, and later held positions as organist of Magdalen College, Oxford (1872) and St. George's Chapel, Windsor (1882); professor of music, Oxford (1908—18); and teacher of organ at the Royal College of Music, London (1883–1923). In 1893 he became organist to Queen Victoria. His few compositions include incidental music, and organ and choral works.

Nov 30th The Deanery choir will be singing at **St Mary's Church, Little Bentley CO11 2PP** at the 11am communion service. All church congregation's of the nine Tendring/Denham parishes are invited to attend. As well as the 'Advent prose', the choir will sing the anthem 'This is the truth sent from above' by Ralph Vaughan Williams. Vaughan Williams was born to a well-to-do family with strong moral views and a progressive social outlook. Throughout his life he sought to be of service to his fellow citizens, and believed in making music as available as possible to everybody. He wrote many works for amateur and student performance. He was musically a late developer, not finding his true voice until his late thirties; his studies in 1907–1908 with the French composer Maurice Ravel helped him clarify the textures of his music and free it from Teutonic influences.

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