



music ministry

serving through song

Whether you're brand new to St. Joseph's or have been part of the church since it started, we encourage you to explore the opportunities there are to serve in the Music Ministry.

Worship is a lifestyle, not just an hour on a Sunday or a collection of songs. Our challenge is to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to care deeply for our fellow musicians and others.

We serve together as one family.

We aim to serve the Lord Jesus and his church through:

Passion, Quality and Variety

Passion:

- A passion for God
- A passion for people

Quality:

- Music and lyrics of real quality
- Singers and instrumentalists who aim for the highest standards of service and musicianship

Variety:

- A variety of musical styles and ensembles
- A wide range of different people involved

How to get involved

There are currently four ways to get involved in the Music Ministry:

1. Music Group

This involves serving regularly on a rota basis at the Sunday services, and we are always recruiting.

Those playing on a Sunday meet to rehearse on the Tuesday night beforehand, with refreshments at 7:45pm at the back of church, and ending at 9:45pm.

We invite prospective members to attend an informal meeting, allowing us to hear you sing or play, and to chat to you further about involvement in the Music Ministry.

We ask you to be committed to Jesus Christ, to developing your musical gifts and to attending all Tuesday night sessions when required. You'll also need to be part of a small group.

2. Seasonal Choirs and Orchestras

Our choir, orchestra and brass group meet to rehearse periodically throughout the year for special services such as, Carols by Candlelight and Easter Music. These are open to all singers and players and we encourage members of the church to invite their friends along.

Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays from 7.45-9.45pm at our partner church in Jesmond, usually beginning five weeks before the date of the service. Look out for separate flyers specific to these special events.

3. PA/Sound Desk Team

If you have a musical ear, and can work reliably under pressure, why not think about joining our PA Team, providing sound for church services and other events.

There are normally four training sessions, followed by an apprentice period on the Sunday rota.

4. Organists

If you are an organist we'd love to hear from you. Organists serve on a rota basis. However, they are not expected to turn up for Tuesday evening rehearsals.

Find out more

If any of this whets your appetite, please don't hesitate to get in touch:

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