

### Members of the Promenade Junior Choir:

Ruby Blake	Arthur Clack	Florence Clack
Zac Greenaway	Caitlin Greer	Matilda Hardcastle
Carolyn Lee	Eliza Mead	Lauren Woo
Alex Young		

### Members of the Promenade Youth Choir:

Jessica Bernard	Isabella Bartlett	Sophia Bartlett
Oliver Brown	Lottie Buchanan	Christina Castro-Wilkins
Abi Clarke	Emma Clarke	Ruby Coombs
Oliver Cousins	Alannah Enskat	Manon Hagger
Iona Hobbs	Rebecca Lacey	Miranda Lawrence
Rose Lee	Fiona Lock	Esther McNamara
Olivia Mitchell	Ellie Nickson	Theo Normanton
Leanda Robinson	Daisy Shephard	Ruby Shephard
Mike Smith	Robert Steel	Florence Stone
Maggie Talibart	Benedict Williams	Jemma Young

Anybody interested in joining the *Promenade Choirs* can visit the *Promenade* website [www.promenade.org.uk](http://www.promenade.org.uk) or call Christopher on 01932 242805.

### Dates for the diary:

Christopher is running a Christmas Girls' Choir workshop followed by a concert at 7.30pm 23<sup>rd</sup> December in St George's Church, Esher. The developing Promenade Project Choir will be doing a short presentation of English choral music in St Peter's Church, Hershham after the service in the morning of Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

The next rehearsal for the Youth and Junior Choirs will be Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January. The concert including Rutter's *feel the Spirit*, will be at St. Peter's Church in Walton on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.



# Promenade

## Junior and Youth Choirs

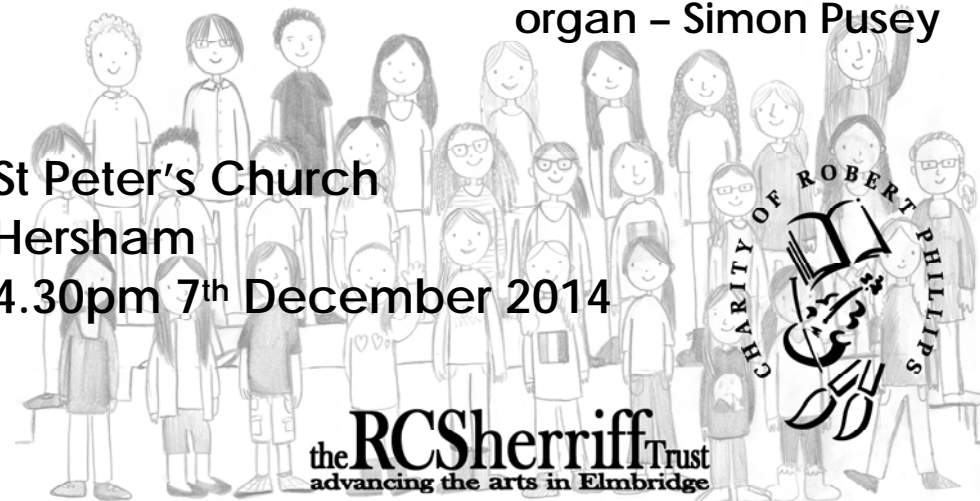
# As the Leaves Fall

music from the first World War  
followed by

## A Seasonal Celebration

directed by Christopher Goldsack  
piano – Pam Phillips  
organ – Simon Pusey

St Peter's Church  
Hershham  
4.30pm 7<sup>th</sup> December 2014



# Programme

## Youth Choir

### As the leaves fall - Harold Darke

solo: Manon Hagger

## Junior Choir

### Popular songs of WW1

Pack up your troubles - Felix Powell

Roses of Picardy - Fred Wetherley

Keep the home fires burning - Ivor Novello

It's a long way to Tipperary - Judge and Williams

## Interval

## Junior and Youth Choirs

Once in Royal David's city solo: Arthur Clack

Deck the Hall

Away in a manger

O little town of Bethlehem

Still, still, still

Gabriel's Message

Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen - Praetorius

## Junior and Youth Choirs

Silent night arr. Peter Hunt

Candlelight Carol - Simon Mold - solo: Eliza Mead

Mary, did you know - Buddy Greene

Winter Wonderland - Felix Bernard arr. Funk

## Youth Choirs

Medley of songs from White Christmas - Stoller arr. Mac Huff

solo: Daisy Shephard

As well as celebrating the season with some of our usual seasonal music, I felt that Promenade should acknowledge the centenary of the start of WW1 by embracing two perspectives of the music of the period. Harold Darke's cantata *As the Leaves Fall*, composed in 1917, is a lament 'for the fallen', to a text by a little-known soldier-poet Joseph Courtney. Darke's quietly pastoral voice, most familiar today from his exquisitely lyrical setting of Christina Rossetti's *In the Bleak Midwinter*, passes the test of expression in a manner worthy to bear comparison with prophetic utterances decrying the futility of war by Bliss, Britten and Vaughan Williams. The Junior Choir meanwhile will sing some of the popular songs of the period which would have been well known to the soldiers in the trenches.

Pack up your troubles in your old kit-bag,

And smile, smile, smile,

While you've a lucifer to light your fag,

Smile, boys, that's the style.

What's the use of worrying?

It never was worth while, so

Pack up your troubles in your old kit-bag,

And smile, smile, smile.

Keep the home fires burning,

While your hearts are yearning.

Though your lads are far away

They dream of home.

There's a silver lining

Through the dark clouds shining,

Turn the dark cloud inside out

Till the boys come home.

It's a long way to Tipperary,

It's a long way to go.

It's a long way to Tipperary

To the sweetest girl I know!

Goodbye Piccadilly,

Farewell Leicester Square!

It's a long long way to Tipperary,

But my heart's right there.