

## **Sing to the Lord a New Song**

Can I start with a massive thank you to all who contributed to and attended the St. Laurence Festival Week.

Throughout the week we heard many sounds of joy; the children playing on the bouncy castle, the bells being rung, the choral evensong, hymns being sung lubricated by Pimms, and much laughter. Winslow it seems is both a tuneful and appropriately noisy town!

My hope is that we continue to be a church that helps support the town through the noise it makes for many generations to come. As Bishop Alan reminded us in his sermon at choral evensong bells and choirs reinforce the natural rhythms of life. They sing out in times of joy and sadness. They help support births, marriages and deaths. They make the right noises at times of national celebration and tragedy. But, perhaps more importantly they are just there, as a constant.

We are now looking to invest in our musical tradition, so that we can continue, as a church, to make the right noises at the right time:

If you would like to explore becoming a bell ringer you would always be welcome to come to practice on a Monday evening.

We would also like to offer free organ lessons to anyone with grade five piano or above who is interested in learning to play the organ. Please do contact Derry.

Finally, the church has made a significant commitment to restore and rebuild our fine Bevington Organ. We have launched a scheme whereby you can become a friend of the organ. Leaflets are available in church.

I hope you enjoy a happy and joyful summer.  
Andrew