

Diary of Events - NW Europe

Date	Event	Who	Where
13-Dec'03	Carol Concert	Anglican Singers of Amsterdam	St Anna & St Mary, OKK Haarlem
14-Dec'03	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols		St John & St Philip, The Hague
14-Dec'03	Family Carol Service & Lunch		Luxembourg
14-Dec'03	Carol Service		Holy Trinity, Brussels
18-Dec'03	Carol Service	Choir of Antwerp	Knokke, Belgium
19-Dec'03	Carol Service	Choir of Holy Trinity, Utrecht	St Vitus, Hilversum
20-Dec'03	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols [1900]	Choir of Haarlem & Anglican Singers	St Jan de Doper, Arnhem
21-Dec'03	Carol Service		St Boniface, Antwerp
21-Dec'03	Carol Service		Holy Trinity, Utrecht
24-Dec'03	Sung Eucharist [1830]		St Anna & St Mary, Haarlem
24-Dec'03	Carol Service [2000]		St Anna & St Mary, Haarlem
29-Feb'04	Choral Evensong	Haarlem Choir and Anglican Singers	St Anna & St Mary, Haarlem
1-6 Jun'04	Choral Services Salisbury	'Laudate'	Salisbury Cathedral
12-Jun'04	RSCM Celebration Service	RSCM Choirs	Salisbury Cathedral
26-Jun'04	RSCM Choral Festival - Archdeaconry of NW Europe	All of you	St Marc, Brussels
3-9 Aug'04	Choral Services Chichester	European Cathedral Singers [ECS]	Chichester Cathedral
28 -Aug'04	Singing Day in Ghent [come and sing]	All of you are welcome	St John's, Ghent
16-Oct'04	Choral Training Day	All of you	St Boniface, Antwerp
1 st Sunday each month	Choral Evensong	Choir of St Boniface, Antwerp	St Boniface, Antwerp

Please let me know what your church or music group is doing - so that we may include in the diary of events.

Wedding Hymns [one has to be so careful]

A man goes to a friend's wedding and is very impressed with the choice of hymns, especially 'Love Divine'. He is due to be married himself a few months later, so he makes a note of the number: 343. When he next meets with the minister, who is to conduct his wedding, he tells him he would like hymn 343. 'Are you sure?' asks the minister. 'It is rather an unusual choice!'. 'No, I am certain. I heard it at my friend's wedding, and it is just what I want to say,' insists the man. What he has not realised is that his friend was married in a Methodist Church, using the Methodist Hymn Book, whereas at his wedding they were using Hymns Ancient and Modern. Imagine the surprise of all - not least the bride - when they started to sing Hymn A&M 343:

Come, O thou traveller unknown,
whom still I hold, but cannot see;
my company before is gone
and I am left alone with thee;
With thee all night I mean to stay,
and wrestle till the break of day.