

Tayside Organists' Society
Concert by the Cecilian Choir

All Saints' Scottish Episcopal Church, Glencarse

Saturday 12 September 2026

Review by Alison Malcolm

Tayside Organists' Society was privileged to visit All Saint's Scottish Episcopal Church in Glencarse to hear the Cecilian choir's September concert.

The programme was as follows:

Choir One voice (John Rutter)
 Hosanna (Michael Revey)
 In a monastery garden (A W Ketelbey)

Choir You raise me up (Brendan Graham and Rolf Lovland)
 How can I keep from singing (Robert Lowry, arr. John Scott)
 Angelus (from "Maritana" - Vincent Wallace)

Violin Solo - Ian Jarvis

Choir The Gift of Music (John Rutter)
 Down to the river to pray (Negro Spiritual arr. Sheldon Curry)
 Look at the world (John Rutter)

Choir Bless this house (Helen Taylor, music by May T Brahe)
 I will sing with the spirit (John Rutter)
 Eternal God, we give you thanks for music (John Rutter)

Violin Solo – Ian Jarvis

Choir How great Thou art (C Boberg arr. George G Gray)
 Let there be peace on earth (S Miller and J Jackson)
 Praise to the King, the Lord of all we see -Highland Cathedral
 (M Korb and U Roevers arr Antony Baldwin. Words by AP Calder McNicoll)

At the conclusion I gave a vote of thanks, complimenting the choir on their most enjoyable singing under the expert direction of Mary Veal and accompanied by Kevin Veal on piano. The programme was varied and the choir coped extremely well with the various musical styles. Ian Jarvis played the violin beautifully accompanied by Mary. He played new Scottish tunes composed in the traditional style. I had no idea so many new tunes were being composed. The whole afternoon was a delight!