



LEVEL 3: CHURCH MUSIC IN PRACTICE

AT THE MANCHESTER WEEKEND FOR
SINGERS, CONDUCTORS & VOCAL LEADERS

*An immersive
weekend of rehearsing,
preparing and leading
music in a working
church setting*

Sat 7–Sun 8 November 2026

Xaverian College,
Lower Park Rd, Manchester
& Church of the Holy Name,
Oxford Rd, Manchester.

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Our new series of specialist Level 3 weekends explores different aspects of choral leadership. Through immersive musical experiences and expert guidance, you'll develop your skills in new and inspiring contexts.

This course is designed for conductors who have a **SfP Level 3 or higher recommendation** and our **Level 4/Advanced Alumni** who are ready to broaden their musical leadership through an authentic and practical conducting experience. Only **8 places** are available on this course so book early to avoid disappointment!

Step beyond the rehearsal room and develop your conducting in a real church, working with experienced church musicians and singers to prepare and perform music for worship.

Hosted in partnership with the Church of the Holy Name and the Ignatius Singers, this brand-new Level 3 weekend gives you hands-on experience of the full musical process, from planning and rehearsing repertoire to leading music in the Sunday service.

You'll explore the practical skills of conducting in a liturgical setting, while developing your confidence as a musical leader and your understanding of how choir, conductor and worship come together.

The weekend includes:

- An introduction to the organ at Holy Name
- Practical conducting workshops
- Rehearsing in the beautiful acoustic of Holy Name, Manchester
- Conducting as part of the regular Sunday Worship at Holy Name
- Individual feedback and opportunities for reflection
- A supportive learning environment with experienced SfP tutors and church musicians Tomos Watkins and Don Gillthorpe

COSTS

Level 3 Course £309.60 (non-members £387)

Workshop singers £53.60 (non-members £67) - for singers with appropriate experience)

For booking, and details of other courses for conductors and singers running at the Manchester Weekend, **see singforpleasure.org.uk/events**.

Members receive a 20% discount on this event.

Bursaries available: singforpleasure.org.uk/bursaries-scholarships/