## 1983

## 14th May - Brahms' 'German Requiem'

Conductor - D. Parkyn Marshall

Soloists - Susan Dutton (soprano), Harvey Williams (bass)

The splendid poster shows that tickets were priced at £1.50 for this concert – how does this compare with our 2009 charges I wonder? A pint of beer cost about 32p so that's gone up seven-fold ... ... perhaps £10 is about right?

## 21st May

A repeat performance in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Whickham.

Soloists - Shirley Wilkinson (soprano), Harvey Williams (bass)

Organist - Frank Bowler

Michael Grave played Brahms' Chorale Preludes (Op. 122)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Vivaldi's 'Credo', Handel's 'O come, let us sing unto the Lord', Monteverdi's 'Beatus Vir' and 'Christe, adoramus te', Pergolesi's 'Magnificat' (+ carols)

Conductor – D. Parkyn Marshall is listed in the programme, but an accident in November meant that he was incapacitated. Stan Gaynor deputised.

Soloists – Shirley Wilkinson (soprano), Jean Kelly (alto), Anthony Peacock (tenor), Stan Davison (bass)

Current alto Joyce Ritson made her first appearance – as did bass Lewis Hetherington who went on to become a Life Member.