# ST. MARY'S CHURCH BATHWICK



St Mary's Church, a short distance from the historic centre of Bath, dates from 1820. The organ was built by Henry Willis in 1878 and completed in 1894; it had mechanical action, with pneumatic lever for the Great.

The organ's subsequent history was not uneventful. The actions were changed to pneumatic by Hele & Co. in 1904, when some adjustments were made to the voicing in the style of the time; the Great Mixture was recast, the Pedal Trombone was extended to form a Tuba, and an Echo Bourdon rank was added to the Pedal. Further work was carried out by Hill Norman & Beard in 1932, when a new console was provided. In 1980 the Exeter firm of Eustace & Alldridge converted the console and key actions to electro-pneumatic and carried out some revoicing work which was aimed at mitigating the earlier changes.

Fortunately, the essentials of Father Willis's tonal design survived these interventions. The work of 2024 amounted to a comprehensive overhaul; the wind system, which had suffered alterations over the years, was conservatively replanned, the internal layout was improved, and the pipework received detailed attention with Willis's characteristic style as the touchstone.

### HENRY WILLIS & SONS 1878 RECONSTRUCTED BY HARRISON & HARRISON 2024

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#### PEDAL ORGAN

	1.	Acoustic Bass	6 (from 4)	32
	2.	Open Diapasc	n	16
	3.	Violone	(1-24 from 19)	16
*†	4.	Bourdon		16
	5.	Principal		8
*	6.	Bass Flute	(from 4)	8
<b>P†</b>	7.	Fifteenth		4
†	8.	Trombone	(from 18)	16

Choir to Pedal Great To Pedal Swell to Pedal

#### **CHOIR ORGAN**

(unenclosed)

9.	Claribel Flute	8
10.	Gamba	8
11.	Dulciana	8
12.	Viola	4
13.	Flute	4
14.	Piccolo	2
15.	Clarinet	8
16.	Orchestral Oboe	8
	Tremulant	

† 17.	Trumpet	(Great)	8
*†18.	Tuba		8

Octave Unison Off Sub Octave Swell to Choir

#### **GREAT ORGAN**

19.	Double Open Diapason	16
20.	Open Diapason I	8
21.	Open Diapason II	8
22.	Clarabella	8
23.	Principal	4
24.	Harmonic Flute	4
25.	Twelfth	$2^{2}/_{3}$
26.	Fifteenth	2
₽†27.	Mixture 17. 19. 22	III
†28.	Trumpet	8

*Choir to Great Swell to Great* 

#### **SWELL ORGAN**

	29.	Echo Bourdon		16
†	30.	Open Diapason		8
	31.	Gedeckt		8
	32.	Salicional		8
	33.	Voix Celeste	(tenor c)	8
	34.	Principal		4
	35.	Suabe Flute		4
	36.	Fifteenth		2
	37.	Mixture	17. 19. 22	III
	38.	Cornopean		8
†	39.	Hautboy		8
	40.	Clarion		4

Tremulant Octave Unison Off Sub Octave

#### **COMBINATION COUPLERS**

Great & Pedal Combinations Coupled Generals on Swell Foot Pistons

#### ACCESSORIES

Eight pistons to the Choir Organ
Eight pistons to the Great Organ
Eight pistons to the Swell Organ,
duplicated by foot pistons
Eight foot pistons to the Pedal Organ
Eight general pistons
Reversible pistons to all unison couplers and
Pedal Trombone
General cancel piston
Reversible foot pistons to Great to Pedal
and Trombone
999 levels of general pistons
16 levels of divisional pistons
Stepper, operating the general pistons
in sequence
Two balanced expression pedals for the
south and west Swell shutters
The key action is electro-pneumatic;
the drawstop action electric
The manual compass is 58 notes;
the pedal 30 notes
* 1904 📭 1980

† Revoiced 2024 to amend earlier changes

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