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9th January 2025

Dear Knight Priests of Grand College,

On behalf of all at Newcastle Cathedral, I would like to express thanks and gratitude for the generous support of the upcoming works to our organ by the Executive Committee. It is central to the rhythm of daily life at the Cathedral; a source of joy and inspiration for all, from our congregation, choirs and visitors to audiences at our regular recital series. Beyond the everyday, the organ's bright, glittering intonations and fiery, colourful reeds help us mark some of our community's most important milestones – their joy, grief, celebrations, and commemorations – such as your own remarkable centenary.

The decline of our great instrument in recent years has been the cause of much frustration and technical challenge as we have had to utilise ad-hoc repairs and work arounds to continue playing. It has been a hope of mine since joining the Cathedral that I might see it restored and improved to a level appropriate for such a building and the role it plays in the city and region.

Thanks to the support of yourselves and similarly minded organisations, we are well over halfway to our target to deliver the first phase of works to the organ, and this will be fundamental in unlocking the remaining monies required. I am delighted and grateful that you will forever be part of the story of our organ and Cathedral.

Yours sincerely,

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within the Cathedral's Quire Organ in support of its rebuild and restoration.

With thanks for your generous contribution towards maintaining musical tradition at the Cathedral.



Ian Roberts

Director of Music