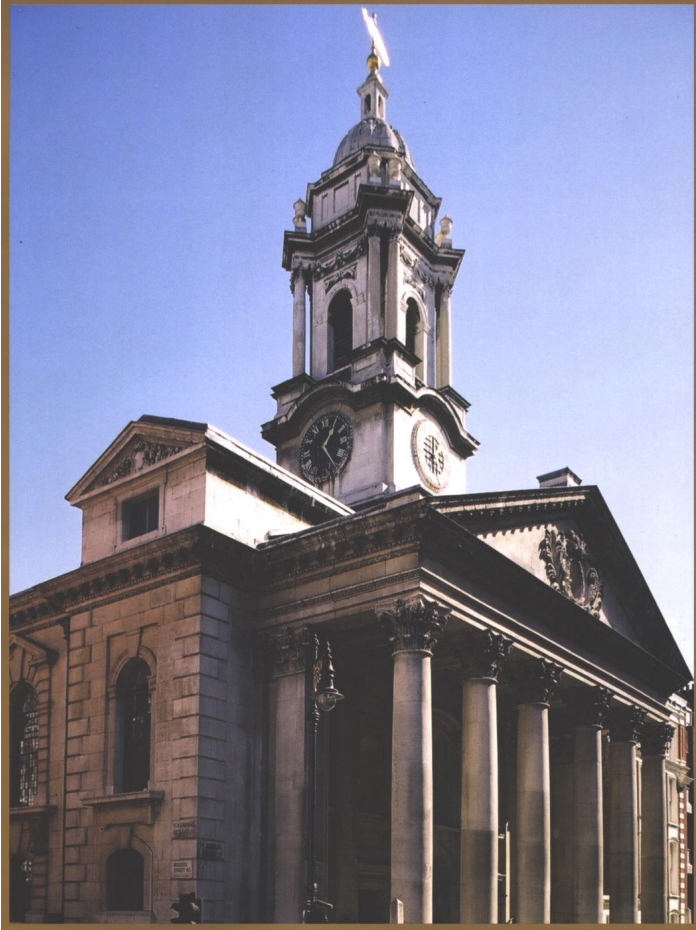


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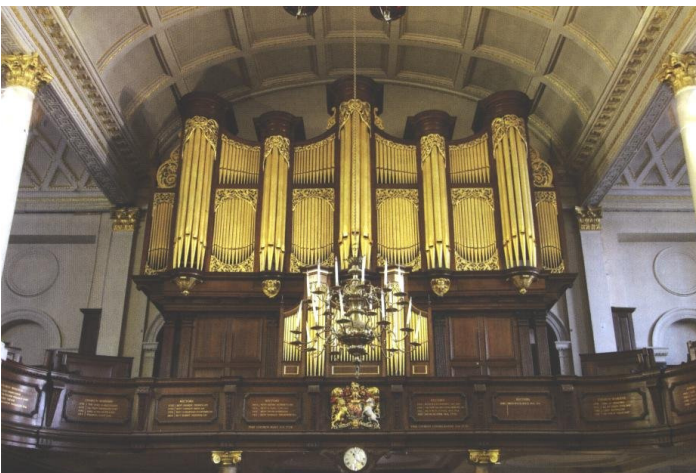


St Georges, Hanover Square, was built in 1720 by John James and is the parish church of Mayfair serving the community for 300 years. Very little has changed in the building but it has recently been refurbished and restored. The architect, Colin Kerr of Molyneux Kerr Architects, will be our guide and will tell us of the history of the building, what had to be done to the decoration and the problem of rewiring and lighting it. It was being built at the same time as Wren was building at Hampton Court and we will be allowed in the roof-space where we will see if there are any similarities with Wren's work. James used Wren's office.

The organ is in the original case but the works are new. The specifications were that it should behave like the original 1720s one and yet be capable of playing modern music. The 1970s one was not well built, was too expensive to repair and would not meet present day requirements. An American company, Richard, Fowkes & Co were able to comply and have just installed it. The music director, Simon Williams, will tell us about it.

Access to the roof is via a spiral stair case and only the fit should attempt it. Groups will be limited to 10. We will have tea at this time so everyone can participate.

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These timings are provisional and can change according to what REMS & the architect want.

13.30 – 14.00	Meet in the church
14.00	Talk by architect
15.00	Tea and trips to the roof space
16.00	The organ
17.00	close

The original organ case with the 1974 pipes

Meet in the church

TRAVEL

The nearest station is Oxford Street

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COSTS

£19 each for a minimum of 15 members. No maximum.

