

CHOOSING THE RIGHT INSTRUMENT

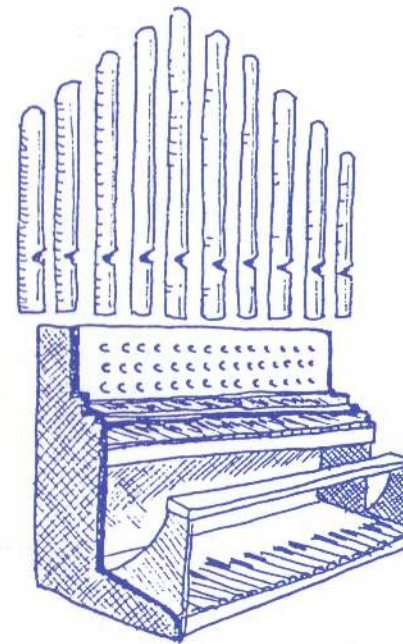
Much careful research has gone into the choice of the new organ. This was carried out by a small sub-committee which spent a great deal of time in recent months in investigating the possibilities. Their task was to ensure that the new organ is well suited to the acoustics of the church, that it incorporates the most modern technology, and that it represents the best possible value for money.

Many miles of travelling enabled them to share the experience of the people and organists of other churches, and to assess the financial implications. There were also meetings with numerous potential suppliers in church, and this culminated in a demonstration of actual instruments which were temporarily installed in St. Giles' in September 1992, leading to the final choice.



**YOUR SUPPORT WILL ENSURE THAT MUSIC LIVES ON
AT ST. GILES', AND THAT FUTURE GENERATIONS
WILL BENEFIT FROM YOUR CARE AND CONCERN.**

ST. GILES' WEST BRIDGFORD NOTTINGHAM



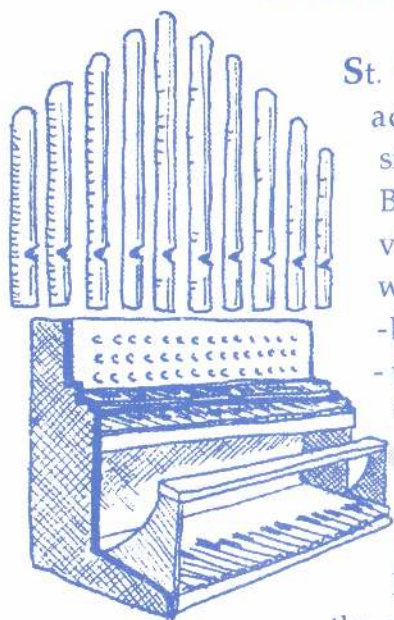
Organ

Appeal

1992-1993

THE NEED

The ancient Parish Church of St. Giles' dates back to 1182, and is the oldest building in West Bridgford. Down the centuries succeeding generations have worshipped within its walls. It has welcomed thousands of families as they have brought their children to baptism. Countless couples remember it affectionately as the church in which they were married. Others have treasured memories of loved ones to whom the church ministered as their lives drew to a close.



St. Giles' is also a church which has adapted itself to many changing situations. When, a century ago, West Bridgford grew rapidly from a tiny village to a sizeable town, the church was greatly enlarged, and a new organ - built for £300 by Lloyds of Nottingham - was installed. After half a century of regular use, and the effects of flooding which used to devastate West Bridgford, it was rebuilt and enlarged in 1951 by Willis of London. Now, after 41 more years, the cost of the major restoration it needs would be prohibitive - around double the cost of a new electronic instrument.

Thanks to modern technology, however, a new organ of comparable quality and performance can be installed and maintained at much less expense. Even so, raising the cost of the replacement is estimated at £25,000, and a tremendous effort will be needed to raise this sum.

MEETING THE NEED

The Congregation - past and present - will no doubt do all it can towards carrying out this formidable task through:

- * *Donations*
- * *Organising fund-raising events in their own homes*
- * *Supporting concerts and other events organised by church groups*
- * *Playing an active part in a variety of musical and sponsored activities*
(Church Drive, our parish magazine, will give full details of these events.)

The People of West Bridgford, for many of whom their parish church has happy memories - of weddings, christenings and other family occasions - will be most welcome at all these events. Many will also surely wish to make direct gifts.

Those concerned in the Business and Commerce of the town will no doubt wish to take this opportunity of contributing to the continuation of one of the community's most important facilities.

Donations, all of which will be gratefully acknowledged, should be handed to the Rector or Churchwardens in Church, or sent by post to our Treasurer:

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Please make cheques payable to:
ST. GILES' ORGAN APPEAL.