

# Sunday 14 July

## Sea Sunday

The first intentional Christian provision for the needs of seafarers was initiated by the Revd John Ashley, who established the Bristol Channel Mission in 1836. As of today, the Missions to Seafarers operate in 200 ports in 50 countries worldwide. It is a unique and highly valued ministry among men and women who are often from third-world countries, poorly paid, unprotected from many kinds of danger at sea and on shore, and vulnerable to physical, financial and psychological abuse. Many do not see their families for months or even years at a time. Add to this those serving in navies worldwide and the seafaring community is even bigger.

The observance of Sea Sunday is long established in some communities, completely ignored in others. A parish's proximity to the sea is not necessarily the measure of this. Yet the idea of recognizing, supporting and praying for those 'in peril on the sea' is a historic tradition stretching back over 160 years. Generally celebrated on the second Sunday of July, it also provides a thematic opportunity for education and of course to sing some of the great seafaring hymns, 'Eternal Father', 'Lead us, heavenly Father' and 'Amazing grace' among them! There are also lovely anthems to choose from.

Other liturgical and educational resources are available, most significantly the annual material provided by the Missions to Seafarers ([www.missiontoseafarers.org/sea-sunday](http://www.missiontoseafarers.org/sea-sunday)). Resources are also available from the (British) Sailors Society, founded in 1818 ([www.seasundayhero.org](http://www.seasundayhero.org)) and the Apostleship of the Sea, the Roman Catholic Society which has 318 ports with 217 port chaplains around the world ([www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/resources-parishes](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/resources-parishes)). These resources suggest alternatives for any who wish to 'bale out' of the set lectionary that day. Sometimes it can be nice, especially if an all-age service, to invite a speaker or preacher who has first-hand experience of the world of shipping, or who can speak knowledgeably about prevalent issues surrounding modern-day piracy, unjust employment, or health and safety at work in the context of gospel mission to a God-fearing, appreciative workforce. The various seafaring charities already mentioned can be asked to send speakers and are happy to oblige, for anyone who works at sea knows what the forces of nature can do and lives in awe of them.

*Gordon Giles (Port Chaplain, Seaham Harbour 1990–91)*

### HYMNS AND SONGS

	pos	rdg	AM	AMNS	CFE	CH4	CP	HON	HTC	L	MP	NEH	R&S	SOF	STF	TS
All over the world								20		984	18			12		
Ave maris stella		g								358						
Be still, my soul			594		73	691	384			780		625				49
Calm me, Lord, as you calmed the storm			832					924							624	1754
Eternal Father, strong to save	ga/se		623	292	152	260	413	153	285	963	122	354	58	1222	517	
Faithful one, so unchanging			625								825			89	628	89
Fierce raged the tempest	gr/cm			225									635			
Follow me, follow me, leave your home and family					175			176		863						
God is working his purpose out	se		646		217	235	444	221	191	86	189	495	573	135		128
God moves in a mysterious way	ga/se		647	112		158	445	222			193	365	59		104	700
I sing the almighty power of God										684	293		43		107	
I was sinking deep in sin											450					1341
I will sing the Lord's high triumph	gr		190													
Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult	gr/of		324	312		509	233	347	104		359	200	355		250	
Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us	ga/se		702	224	351		496	379	525	315	400	393	543	321	238	311
Lord of beauty, thine the splendour	ga/se		541	106			258	415					265			
Lord, I come before your throne of grace											1087			894	58	1967
Lord, you have come to the seashore					395	532				871					558	
May God bless you		g								411						
My Jesus, my Saviour	gr/cm		732			531		461			1003			935	363	367
Not far beyond the sea, nor high	se		738	401			528						318		159	
Oh, the Lord looked down					569											
See the stricken boat														2518		
Son of God, eternal Saviour	ga/of		781			468	573		102			498	605			
Star of ocean, lead us		g			668											
Star of sea and ocean		g								357						
Sweet sacrament divine	cm	g	464		674		324	622		663		307				
The Lord reigns clothed in strength	gr/cm											266				
There's a wideness in God's mercy	of/se		806	251		187	598	662		810	683	461	353		416	
Though I feel afraid														1063		522
What does the Lord require		ps		432	796					893						
When peace, like a river											757					574
When the storms of life are raging						570										
Will your anchor hold						737		753			770		598		645	
Word that formed creation	gr/cm		220													

## ANTHEMS AND VOCAL MUSIC

Title	Composer	Voices	E/M/D	Book source (see list of abbreviations)	Single sheet publisher
UNISON / TWO PART / HIGH VOICES / FLEXIBLE					
A Gaelic Blessing	Rutter	SSA/U/SATB	E/M	EAC2, AGA (SSA); BC1, WOL (U); NCAB (SATB); JRA, RASM (SAMen)	RSCM
Ave maris stella	Massenet	SA	M	TSM	
Be still, and know that I am with you	Neaum	SSSAAA+ ss soli	M	TSM	
Calm me, Lord	Rizza	SA/U/SATB#	E	CAHON, CAS, FOLO, SPR, STF, WOL; AM	
Let nothing trouble you	Farrell	U#	E	C, CBL, BFS	
Like a reed	Farrell	U#	E	LGO	OCP
Still small voice	Assersohn	U/SATB	E	OBEFA	
They that go down to the sea in ships	Purcell	AB	D		Novello
THREE / FOUR PARTS					
Be still, my soul	Sibelius	SATB	E		Breitkopf
Be still, my soul	Whitlock	SATB	M		Banks
Crossing the bar	Parry	SATB	E	MTH2	Cathedral Music
Dear Lord and Father of mankind	Parry arr Iliff	SATB	E	SBSE, AGA (SSA)	
Do not be afraid – I am with you	Willcock arr Barnard	SATB	E	SBSE	
Eternal Father, strong to save	Archer	SATB	M		RSCM
How can I keep from singing?	Lowry arr Barnard	SAB/SATB	E	SBSE	
Never weather-beaten sail	Treseder	SATB unacc	M		B&H
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	Archer	SATB	E/M	TAMA	
Prayer of Peace	Carter	SATB	M/D	EAC1	Banks
Prayer of Saint Teresa	Ogden	SAMen	E	RASM	WLP
Renew me, Lord	Farrell arr Jakob	SATB + oboe/U	E/M	LGO	OCP
The peace of the earth	Trad Guatemalan arr Weaver	SATB unacc	E	RAR	
They that go down to the sea in ships	Sumsion	SATB	M		RSCM
Trust in the Lord	P. Moore	SATB	M		Encore
FIVE OR MORE PARTS					
Ascendente in naviculum	De Wert	SSATB unacc	D		Mapa Mundi
Ave Maris Stella	Grieg	SSAATTBB unacc	M	ESM	OUP
Deus noster refugium	Hassler	SAATTB unacc	M/D		CMS/OUP
Never weather-beaten sail	Parry	SSATB unacc	M		RSCM
Walk softly	Chilcott	SAATTBB	M	BCA	OUP

## ALL-AGE WORSHIP

*Be still and know that I am God* CFE70-1, CH4 755, HON66, L909, MP48, R&S347, SOF41, STF18, TS48  
*For the fruits of his/all creation* AM284, AMNS457, CFE178, CH4 231, CP254, HON185, HTC286, L731, MP153, NEH621, R&S42, SOF1234, STF124, TS685  
*Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost* AM245, AMNS154, CH4 627, CP182, HON245, MP198, NEH367, R&S310, STF379  
*Jesus put this song into our hearts* CH4 692, HON851, MP376, SOF299, TS292  
*To God be the glory* AM818, CFE745, CH4 512, CP609, HON695, HTC584, L719, MP708, R&S289, SOF2595, STF94, TS526  
*When I needed a neighbour* AM575, AMNS433, CFE800, CH4 544, HON736, L888, SOF1604, STF256

## ORGAN MUSIC

### MANUALS ONLY

**Clucas** Melita, in *A Coldridge Organ Book* (animus)  
**Howells** Tranquillo, ma con moto  
 No. 1 from *Six Short Pieces* (Novello)

### EASY WITH PEDALS

**Knecht** Postlude in D  
 In *Oxford Service Music Bk 1* [Manuals and Pedals] (OUP)  
**Mendelssohn** Andante religioso  
 From *4th Sonata* (many editions)

### INTERMEDIATE

**Dupré** Ave maris stella I or II  
 In *Vêpres de Commun de la Sainte Vierge Op. 18* (Gray)  
**Fletcher** Londonderry Air  
 In *150 Hymn Preludes Bk 2* (Mayhew)

### ADVANCED

**Rawsthorne** Line Dance 'Lord of the Dance'  
 From *Dance Suite* (Mayhew)  
**Spedding** Pedale ('Hanover'), in *Recuerdos* (IAO)