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Re. Organists and Choirmasters for church minute book.

Choir leader: Mr. S. Parry, appointed Jan 31st 1884 (for men)
Mrs. Lees, appointed Jan 31st 1884 (for women)
(Mrs. Lees relinquished position a short time later.)

Choirmaster : Mr. S Parry

Re Organists Tentative decision made on 31 Jan 1884 - Office should be held by a Church Member. Policy followed for some years and resulted in general difficulty in filling position and mediocrity in discharge of duties. At varying times, in early years, it seems that the following officiated:

Mrs. Jones (nee Milton), Miss Parry, A Round, W Cooper, H J Finicken and A Leech.

Organist and Choir Master

A Stephens	appointed in 1896	retired in 1934	1 st period
E Glyn Williams	from 1934	to 1935	
A Stephens	from 1935	to Sept 1953	2 nd period

Organist

B Dodd	from 9 Nov. 1953	to 23 February 1956	Left to do National Service ¹
G Palin	from 23 Feb. 1956	to 30 Dec. 1956	Acting
B Dodd	from 6 Jan. 1956	to 30 June 1957	See note ²
J Fleet	from Feb. 1958	to Dec. 1967	Joint Organists
D Greatbanks	from Feb. 1958	to Dec. 1967	" "
B Dodd	from Dec. 1967	to ?	Joint Organists
D Greatbanks	from Dec. 1967	to	" "

¹Invalidated out of Service in 1956.

²left to be organist at Nantwich Methodist Church.

Deputy Organists officiating at various times in life of church

R E Jones			
E G Williams			
R B Johnson	from 22 January 1958	to 24 February 1967	
G Palin			
J Fleet			
D Morton			
D Greatbanks			
B Dodd	From 01 October 1964	to December 1967	See note ³

³ Also assisted by manning organ many times between June 1957 and October 1964.

Choirmasters

B Dodd	from 9 Nov. 1953	to 9 Dec. 1954	
H Perkins	from 12 Dec. 1954	to Oct./Nov. 1957	Death
Mrs Tuffrey	from 19 Feb. 1958	to 29 Sept. 1960	Temporary
C Riley	from 29 Sept. 1960	to Nov. 1964	Death
D Greatbanks	from Nov. 1964	to June 1965	
I K Wareham	from June 1965	to July 1967	
D Greatbanks	from July 1967		