

Pipes of the month

Organ Festival special

8ft Bass Flute (Pedal)

2ft Piccolo (Choir)

4ft Principal (Swell)

2²/₃ft Twelfth (Great)

This month we feature pipes from each section of the organ - Pedal, Choir, Swell and Great.

The bass flute is a flute pipe. Flute pipes in the pipe organ closely resemble the sound of the orchestral flute, both in how the sound is produced (by blowing wind across the mouth) and in the sweet, clear tones produced.

The piccolo is a flute pipe and in this organ can be used in combination with the Tierce and Nazard pipes to create a Cornet sound.

Principal pipes are of the diapason family which make the characteristic pipe organ sound.

The Twelfth pipes are also diapason pipes, though are pitched to be a harmonic of the actual note to add colour, for example bottom C on the Twelfth is actually at G pitch.