

## IAML Gent 16 July 2014 at 1 pm

St. Bavo's Cathedral

**Organ Concert** 

Titular organist Edward De Geest

1. Jean Baptiste Loeillet "of London" (Jean Baptiste II, "John") (Gent 1680 - London 1730)

Giga & Aria in A

2. Gabriël Verschraegen (Eksaarde near Gent 1919 - Gent 1981)

- a. Koraalvoorspel op Sanctus uit de 4<sup>de</sup> gregoriaanse mis
- b. Partita per octavo tono super Veni Creator
- c. Scherzo
- d. Preludium, Interludium & Postludium op Puer natus est

Edward De Geest is the driving force behind the Gent Organ Center.

After his extensive studies at the conservatories of Antwerp and Gent he received private lessons from Gabriel Verschraegen, his predecessor in this cathedral who was also former director of the Royal Gent Conservatory. In 2003 he received the "Médaille de Vermeil de la Société Académique Française Arts-Sciences-Lettres" in Paris, as well as the "Price of Culture" in Eeklo (near Gent), where he was director of the Music Academy until 2011. As an internationally renowned and respected concert organist, he was appointed as a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International in 2010. http://www.edwarddegeest.be/