

# GAMBA MUSIC CLUB

## TWO TUDOR QUINTETS

WILLIAM MUNDY  
Hymnus (Sermone Blando)

ROBERT JOHNSON  
A Knell of Johnson

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**William Mundy, c1529 - c1591**

Mundy succeeded Thomas Giles as head chorister of Westminster Abbey in 1543 and remained there for at least one year. He became vicar-choral of St Paul's Cathedral and was sworn a Gentleman of the Chapel Royal in 1564. Mundy is mentioned by Morley, in company with Byrd and others, as never having 'thought it greater sacrilege to spurne against the image of a Saint than to take two perfect cordes of one kinde together'.

The date of Mundy's death is not recorded but it was probably 1591 as in that year Anthony Andenan was sworn Gentleman of the Chapel Royal in his place.

**Robert Johnson, c1490 - c1560**

Scottish composer who fled to England being accused of heresy. It is believed that he was chaplain to Anne Boleyn. Little else is known about him, but he was chiefly a writer of sacred music who has been called Scotland's greatest polyphonist.