

Choirs combine for Requiem

NEARLY 500 people packed Winsford Civic Hall on Saturday to hear the first of a series of joint concerts by the Winsford, Nantwich and Market Drayton, who combined to give Verdi's Requiem, accompanied by the Stockport Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Allan Jackson, Chairman of Winsford Choral Society, said the audience drawn to the pioneer concert was between 450 and 500, and he described the response as

"very satisfactory and encouraging."

"We may have lost a bit on the evening, but we will certainly be able to follow this event with other combined performances of works which need more singers than any single choir can provide," he explained.

"Everyone has been very complimentary about the performance, and we think it was a very successful opening effort."

The soloists for the evening were Catherine Foster, soprano; Margaret Lindsay, contralto; with Brian Cookson, tenor; and Ian Cornby, bass. Brian Greensill was the conductor.

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NANTWICH Choral Society in full voice at their practice evening last week.