## ST JAMES' CHURCH, THE FORBURY, READING

## **FREE ANNUAL HERITAGE OPEN DAY TALKS 2017**

Friday September 8th at 2pm MATILDA THE EMPRESS An illustrated talk

> by Lindsay Mullaney



In advance of November's RBL production of *Matilda the Empress,* to be staged at St James', Lindsay's talk will describe the life and career of Matilda, who nearly became England's first female monarch. Saturday September 9th at 2pm THE ART AND MUSIC OF READING ABBEY An illustrated talk with music by John Mullaney



The monks of the Benedictine order in the 12th century were at the forefront of a Europe wide cultural and scientific revolution.

John will look at various aspects of the arts, and developments in music associated with Reading including Sumer is Icumen In.