

MUSIC MINISTRY INTEREST FORM

Children and Youth

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Best time to reach you: Morning
 Afternoon
 Evening

Parent/Guardian E-mail: _____

I'm interested in: *(check all that apply)*

- Parish Choir *(high schoolers only)*
- Saint Agnes Ensemble *(high schoolers only)*
- Handbell Choir *(high schoolers only)*
- Children's Choir *(grades 4-8)*
- Junior Children's Choir *(grades 1-3)*
- Instrumentalist

Any previous Music Ministry experience?

JUNIOR CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Our youngest singers meet once a week and sing about every six weeks. These first through third graders from Saint Agnes School and other local schools learn the basics about vocal production, music reading, and singing in a choir. This choir sings on its own at Mass, but also combines with the Children's Choir for Christmas, Easter, and other special liturgies. All are welcome to make a joyful noise!

Rehearsals: Thursday afternoons, 3:15 - 4:15 PM
45 minutes prior to a scheduled Mass

Masses: Various 5:00 PM, 9:00 AM, or 12:00 NOON, as scheduled

Contact: Tim Lewicki, Director of Music

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Singers in grades four through eight from the parish meet once a week to practice and sing about once a month at Mass throughout the year. Building upon the musical foundations from Junior Children's Choir, this group learns to sing in multiple parts, harmonic singing of hymns, and music's role in liturgy. This choir sings on its own at Mass, but also combines with the Junior Children's Choir for Christmas, Easter, and other special liturgies. All are welcome to sing a new song unto the Lord!

Rehearsals: Wednesday afternoons, 2:15 - 3:30 PM
45 minutes prior to a scheduled Mass

Masses: Various 5:00 PM, 9:00 AM, or 12:00 NOON, as scheduled

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INSTRUMENTALISTS

If you have skill in playing an instrument, particularly woodwinds, strings, or guitar, and you would be willing to play regularly or on occasion at any of our weekend masses, please let us know.

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CANTOR

As a cantor, a singer has two primary roles: Proclaimer of the Psalm and Leader of Congregational Song. Volunteer cantors are recruited and trained throughout the year. The ability to read music is helpful. A brief audition is required. Periodic cantor workshops are held throughout the year to help develop and maintain musical skills and cantor techniques.

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Soli Deo Gloria! This Latin phrase, meaning “to God alone be glory,” is how composer Johann Sebastian Bach signed all of his manuscripts. Music’s purpose, especially sacred music, is to glorify God. At Saint Agnes, we have many ways for you to be involved in making music and glorifying God on a weekly basis. With five different choirs, including boys and girls as young as first grade and adults who have been singing since they were in first grade, the music ministry leads sung prayer at four Masses each week and for Holy Days and special Feasts. Each ensemble is described in this brochure. Come and discover how you can “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!”

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PARISH CHOIR

The Parish Choir sings regularly at the 10:30 AM Mass each Sunday. For Christmas, Holy Week, and other special feasts, this choir combines with the Saint Agnes Ensemble to lead sung prayer at the major liturgies of the year. The Parish Choir is a mixed-voice, SATB choir of volunteer men and women (high school students and adults), that sing a variety of repertoire ranging from the Gregorian plainchant to modern day compositions. No auditions are required. The ability to read music, while helpful, is not required.

Rehearsals: Tuesday evenings, 7:30 - 9:00 PM;
 Sunday mornings, 9:45 AM
Masses: Sunday mornings, 10:30 AM
Contact: Tim Lewicki, Director of Music



SAINT AGNES ENSEMBLE

The Saint Agnes Ensemble is a group of singers and instrumentalists whose repertoire includes traditional hymns and more recent compositions. It is open to adults and high school students who would like to lift their voices or instruments in praise to God. It is not necessary to have a musical background to sing in our choir and no auditions are required. The Saint Agnes

Ensemble leads sung prayer during 9:00 AM Sunday Mass and select Holy Days; it combines with the Parish Choir to sing for Holy Week and other Holy Days. Volunteer cantors are also needed and will be trained by the music director. Everyone is welcome.

Rehearsals: Wednesday evenings, 7:30 - 9:00 PM;
 Sunday mornings, 8:15 AM
Masses: Sunday mornings, 9:00 AM
Contact: Richard Lolich, Director, Saint Agnes Ensemble



HANDBELL CHOIR

The Saint Agnes Handbell Choir rings a 3-octave set of Schulmerich™ handbells and a 3-octave set of Schulmerich™ choircimes. This choir, open to high school students and adults, helps to lead sung prayer at least once a month by ringing arrangements of the hymns, songs, and acclamations sung at Mass. The Handbell Choir also learns ringing techniques and music skills through music written especially for bells. No audition is required. Some music reading abilities are helpful, but not necessary.

Rehearsals: Thursday evenings, 7:30 - 9:00 PM;
 45 minutes prior to scheduled Mass
Masses: Various 5:00 PM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, or
 12:00 NOON as scheduled
Contact: Tim Lewicki, Director of Music



RESURRECTION CHOIR

The Resurrection Choir ministers to families by singing for funerals and memorial Masses throughout the year. The choir enhances the sung funeral liturgy by supporting the assembly’s singing, adding harmony, and fostering participation. Open to adults of any age with the availability to provide music during the daytime at parish funerals. No auditions are required; the ability to read music, while helpful, is not required. Members will be contacted via e-mail or phone as funerals occur. The Resurrection Choir, with the Parish Choir, sings for the annual Mass of Remembrance each November.

Rehearsals: 45 minutes prior to scheduled funerals;
 periodically to introduce new repertoire
Masses: Varied. Most funerals are at 10:30 AM or 11:00 AM,
 Monday-Saturday; Memorial Mass in November
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MUSIC MINISTRY INTEREST FORM

Adult

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Best time to reach you: Morning
 Afternoon
 Evening

E-mail: _____

I’m interested in: *(check all that apply)*

- Parish Choir
- Saint Agnes Ensemble
- Resurrection Choir
- Handbell Choir
- Cantor
- Instrumentalist

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