

Choir

Overview:

The choir member is leading, enabling and proclaiming the Good News in the context of music in Catholic Worship. The Vatican II documents on Sacred Liturgy state that the function of the choir is to help the congregation in finding its voice to praise God as well as to edify the body. The choir helps the community to re-member itself. It is a ministry of the Word which taps into the past, reminds us of the present, and reveals to us the future.

Activities / Responsibilities:

- Members are asked to attend rehearsal during the choir season.
- Choir members are to be dedicated to the Mass and are encouraged to read the Sunday readings as part of their preparation for their ministry.
- Choir members should have fun and enjoy the gift that God gives in sharing time and talent with other choir members and with the larger community.
- Regarding the Adult Choir, all people High School age and beyond are encouraged to participate.
- Choir members are asked to make a commitment to the ministry. They are encouraged to stay for several years, if at all possible.

Skills, Experience, and Qualifications:

- Is an active participant in parish worship.
- Choir members are asked to come with enthusiasm, an ability to sing and listen, and a desire to have fun in working as a team.
- Choir members should also be aware of the document, Music in Catholic Worship, so they understand their role in the Liturgy.
- They are encouraged to be leaders in the assembly regarding singing in the Church.

Personal Traits and Qualities:

- Desires to serve the community and to commit time and talents to this ministry.
- Is honest, trustworthy and enthusiastic.
- Is able to communicate well with others.
- Has the ability to work independently or as part of a team.
- Is comfortable with being accountable and is sensitive to the observance of proper boundaries.

Orientation and Training:

- Provided by the Choir Master (designated parishioner)