

# MUSICIANS' SCHEDULE

## (Fall 2009)

(St. Francis de Sales)

(excerpts from) **A Healthy Singing Parish**

**Pray as you sing, pray as you play.** It is said that those who sing pray twice. Music lifts the spirit and touches the soul in a way that nothing else can. The gift of singing and musical expressions of faith, need to be fostered and encouraged in every way possible, especially the promotion of assembly singing.

**Step back when the assembly is singing.** A gesture of invitation is all the assembly needs to enter into sung prayer, so during familiar songs, cantors & choirs step back from your mic and let the assembly hear itself sing!

**Understand your role.** Your primary function as a cantor, choir member, accompanist, or instrumentalist is to encourage the assembly to sing. Music leaders are not performers, and yet they need to know their music and be prepared as if they were. They need to understand the structure and flow of the liturgy, but be flexible enough to roll with the punches. They also need to be in a place where they can lead effectively.

**Enhance assembly singing, don't replace it.** The leadership of a choir can be a tremendous asset to assembly singing. It can also be its largest hindrance. While there are times for choirs to sing alone, such as a prelude, their main function is to serve the assembly **by joining with them** in song, not performing, or singing the assembly's music for them.

### SEPTEMBER

Cantors:	Thursday, Aug. 20	6:30 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
	Thursday, Sept. 10	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Sunday, Sept. 6</b>	- NONE -	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	Tuesday, Sept. 8	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Sept. 13	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Sept. 15	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Tuesday, Sept. 22	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Sept. 27	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Sept. 29	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Sept. 6	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b> <b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Sept. 13	9:00 a.m. MASS	Sunday, Sept. 27     9:00 a.m. MASS
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Sept. 6	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## OCTOBER

Cantors:	Thursday, Oct. 8	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Saturday, Oct. 3</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. – Choir Retreat at SFDS</b>	
	<b>Sunday, Oct. 4</b>	<b>- NONE -</b>	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	Tuesday, Oct. 6	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Oct. 11	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Oct. 13	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Sunday, Oct. 18</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Tuesday, Oct. 20	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Oct. 25	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Oct. 27	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Oct. 4	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Oct. 18</b> <b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Oct. 11	9:00 a.m. MASS	Sunday, Oct. 25      9:00 a.m. MASS
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Oct. 4	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## NOVEMBER

Cantors:	Thursday, Nov. 12	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Sunday, Nov. 1</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>10:30 a.m. MASS w/ Teens</b>
	Tuesday, Nov. 3	7:00 p.m.	*Chorale Rehearsal*
	Sunday, Nov. 8	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Nov. 10	7:00 p.m.	*Chorale Rehearsal*
	<b>Sunday, Nov. 15</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	<b>SUNDAY, NOV. 15 – EVENING FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.</b>		
	Tuesday, Nov. 17	7:00 p.m.	*Chorale Rehearsal*
	Sunday, Nov. 22	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Nov. 24	7:00 p.m.	*Chorale Rehearsal*
	<b>Thursday, Nov. 26</b>	<b>7:45 a.m. Warm Ups</b>	<b>8:30 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Nov. 29	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Nov. 1	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Nov. 22</b> <b>--OFF--</b>
	Sunday, Nov. 8	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>--Choir of Angels sings--</b>
	<b>Sunday, Nov. 15</b>	<b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b>	Sunday, Nov. 29      9:00 a.m. MASS
	<b>SUNDAY, NOV. 15 – EVENING FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.</b>		
Choir of Angels:	<b>Sunday, Nov. 22</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Music Room</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Nov. 1	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## DECEMBER

Cantors:	Thursday, Dec. 10	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Children's Choir:	Saturday, Dec. 5	10-11:30 a.m. Church	Rehearsal
	Saturday, Dec. 12	10-11:30 a.m. Church	Rehearsal
	Saturday, Dec. 19	10-11:30 a.m. Church	Rehearsal
	<b>Thursday, Dec. 24</b>	<b>3:00 p.m. Music Room</b>	<b>4:00PM MASS</b>
Chorale:	<b>Tuesday, Dec. 1</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. Church</b>	<b>*Combined Rehearsal*</b>
	<b>Sunday, Dec. 6</b>	<b>- NONE -</b>	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	<b>Tuesday, Dec. 8</b>	<b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BVM (Holy Day)</b>	
		<b>6:15 p.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. MASS</b>
		<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>*Combined Rehearsal*</b>
	Sunday, Dec. 13	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	<b>Tuesday, Dec. 15</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. Church</b>	<b>*Combined Rehearsal*</b>
	<b>Sunday, Dec. 20</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	<b>Tuesday, Dec. 22</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. Church</b>	<b>*Combined Rehearsal*</b>
	<b>Thursday, Dec. 24</b>	<b>8:45 p.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>10:00 p.m. – MIDNIGHT MASS</b>
	<b>Friday, Dec. 25</b>	<b>9:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Dec. 27	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Dec. 29	– No Choir Rehearsal– Enjoy Your Family This Week!	
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Dec. 6	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Dec. 20</b> <b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Dec. 13	9:00 a.m. MASS	Sunday, Dec. 27     9:00 a.m. MASS
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Dec. 6	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

**\*Anyone interested in singing for Christmas Eve – Midnight Mass (10:00 p.m.) must attend all 4 Combined Rehearsals in December (Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22) from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.... in addition to Combined Rehearsals in November (Tuesdays, November 3, 10, 17, 24) from 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.\***

## JANUARY

Cantors:	Thursday, Jan. 14	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Sunday, Jan. 3</b>	- NONE -	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	Tuesday, Jan. 5	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Jan. 10	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Jan. 12	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Sunday, Jan. 17</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Tuesday, Jan. 19	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Jan. 24	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Jan. 26	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Jan. 3	9:00 a.m. MASS	Sunday, January 24 9:00 a.m. MASS
	Sunday, Jan. 10	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Jan. 31 --OFF--</b>
	<b>Sunday, Jan. 17</b>	<b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b>	<b>Choir of Angels sings—Catholic Schools Week</b>
<b>Choir of Angels:</b>	<b>Sunday, Jan. 31</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Music Room</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Jan. 3	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## FEBRUARY

Cantors:	Thursday, Feb. 11	7:00 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	Tuesday, Feb. 2	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Sunday, Feb. 7</b>	- NONE -	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	Tuesday, Feb. 9	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Feb. 14	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, Feb. 16	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Wednesday, Feb. 17</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
		<b>6:15 p.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. MASS</b>
	<b>Sunday, Feb. 21</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Tuesday, Feb. 23	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, Feb. 28	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
Contemporary Choir:	Sunday, Feb. 7	9:00 a.m. MASS	<b>Sunday, Feb. 21 10:30 a.m. MASS</b>
	Sunday, Feb. 14	9:00 a.m. MASS	Sunday, Feb. 28 9:00 a.m. MASS
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Feb. 7	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

**ASH WEDNESDAY (Feb. 17)**  
**PALM SUNDAY (March 28)**  
**HOLY THURSDAY (April 1)**  
**GOOD FRIDAY (April 2)**

**HOLY SATURDAY/EASTER VIGIL**  
**(April 3)**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**(April 4)**

**Ascension of the Lord (May 16)**  
**Pentecost (May 23)**  
**Holy Trinity (May 30)**  
**Body & Blood of Christ (June 6)**