

# MUSICIANS' SCHEDULE

## (Spring 2010)

(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 and let the assembly hear themselves 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.

### FEBRUARY

Cantors:	Thursday, Feb. 11	6:30 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
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Feb. 7	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## MARCH

Cantors:	Wednesday, Mar. 10 Wednesday, Mar. 24	6:30 p.m. Music Room 6:30 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal HOLY WEEK/EASTER
Chorale:	<b>Thursday, Mar. 4</b> <b>Sunday, Mar. 7</b> <b>Thursday, Mar. 11</b> Sunday, Mar. 14 <b>Wednesday, Mar. 17</b> <b>Sunday, Mar. 21</b> <b>Thursday, Mar. 25</b> Sunday, Mar. 28 <b>Monday, Mar. 29</b>	7:00 p.m. <b>- NONE -</b> 7:00 p.m. 9:45 a.m. Warm-ups 7:00 p.m. <b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b> 7:00 p.m. 9:45 a.m. Warm-ups <b>6:30 p.m.</b>	Chorale Rehearsal <b>Teen Choir</b> Chorale Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. MASS Chorale Rehearsal <b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b> Chorale Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. MASS <b>Chorale Holy Week Rehearsal</b>
Teen Choir:	Sunday, Mar. 7	9:00 a.m. Music Room	10:30 a.m. MASS

## APRIL

Cantors:	Wednesday, April 7	6:30 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Thursday, April 1</b> <b>Friday, April 2</b> <b>Saturday, April 3</b> <b>Sunday, April 4</b> <b>Thursday, April 8</b> Sunday, April 11 <b>Thursday, April 15</b> <b>Sunday, April 18</b> <b>Wednesday, April 21</b> Sunday, April 25 Tuesday, April 27	<b>6:15PM Warm-ups</b> <b>12:15PM Warm-ups</b> <b>6:45PM Warm-ups</b> <b>9:30AM Warm-ups</b> 7:00 p.m. 9:45 a.m. Warm-ups 7:00 p.m. <b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Warm-ups</b> 9:45 a.m. Warm-ups 7:00 p.m.	<b>7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday</b> <b>1:00 p.m. Good Friday</b> <b>7:30 p.m. Holy Saturday</b> <b>10:30 a.m. MASS</b> <b>Chorale Rehearsal</b> 10:30 a.m. MASS <b>Chorale Rehearsal</b> <b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b> <b>7:00 p.m. CONFIRMATION</b> 10:30 a.m. MASS Chorale Rehearsal

## MAY

Cantors:	Thursday, May 13	6:30 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	<b>Sunday, May 2</b>	<b>-NONE-</b>	<b>Teen Choir</b>
	Tuesday, May 4	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, May 9	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, May 11	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	<b>Sunday, May 16</b>	<b>8:15 a.m. Warm-ups</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. MASS</b>
	Tuesday, May 18	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, May 23	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS
	Tuesday, May 25	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	Sunday, May 30	9:45 a.m. Warm-ups	10:30 a.m. MASS

## JUNE

Cantors:	Thursday, June 10	6:30 p.m. Music Room	Monthly Rehearsal
Chorale:	Tuesday, June 1	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal (Turn in Music)
	Tuesday, June 8	7:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal (Turn in Music)

## PICK-UP CHOIR:

**9:30 a.m. Warm-ups in the Music Room**

**10:30 a.m. Mass**

Sunday, June 6	Sunday, July 4	Sunday, August 1
Sunday, June 13	Sunday, July 11	Sunday, August 8
Sunday, June 20	Sunday, July 18	Sunday, August 15
Sunday, June 27	Sunday, July 25	Sunday, August 22
		Sunday, August 29