August 27, 2019

Dear Parents:

Welcome Back!! If your child is in grades 4th to 8th, I would like to invite him/her to join our wonderful choir.

We practice on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:15-7:45 in the Church. Being part of the choir is very exciting and filled with musical opportunities. We sing for school Mass on Wednesdays. We also participate in the Spring and Christmas concerts, along with the band and string students. Every year, in May, we participate in a judged Festival where we receive a rating and comments with the possibility of earning trophies and plaques. The Festival is held in an amusement park so this is not only a Festival but also a field trip opportunity that all students look forward to! We also sing for 8th grade graduation Mass.

Being part of the choir is a privilege and a commitment. Attendance at every rehearsal is the only way to excel. If your child wishes to join the choir, please return the bottom of this form to Mrs. Riley and/or the office before the first rehearsal on September 16, 2019. This year, for the first time, I might have to limit the number of students joining the choir. Last year we had 80 members and I would like to limit the number to 65 this year. Also, please read the attached procedures and expectations and discuss with your child before you make a decision. I look forward a truly blessed, challenging and fun year!

Mrs. Riley

Music Teacher

My child \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ grade

Will participate in choir this year. My child and I have read the procedures and expectations.

Student signature and name

Parent signature and name

2019-2020 Expectations for students joining the choir

1. The choir practices Mondays and Wednesdays starting September 16, 2019 from 7:15-7:45 in the church.
2. Attendance at every rehearsal is expected. If your child will be absent, please send an email to Mrs. Riley.
3. If your child is absent more than 2 rehearsals in a row (exception made to illness) he/she may be asked to leave the choir.
4. Be on time… you are expected to be in your seat and ready to sing by 7:20. Attendance is taken at 7:20 and if you are not there, you are absent.
5. If you happen to be late, please do not come to the Church after 7:30.
6. You must stay with your child in the front of the church or in the church until Mrs. Riley arrives for rehearsal. You may not drop your child and leave. As some of you know, Mrs. Riley lives in Fredericksburg and traffic is somewhat unpredictable. If you drop your child, and I am not there, they will be unsupervised. This is for your child’s safety! If your child is left unsupervised, you will receive a phone call. Repeated unsupervised drop offs may result in your child being asked to leave the choir.
7. If necessary and you wish, you may ask another parent who is there if they would supervise your child until I am there.
8. We rehearse in Church. Therefore respectful behavior at all times is expected.