Choral Festival and Mass for Treble Choirs

NCEA Certificates of Attendance available for participating school conductors.

Pueri Cantores, the national student choral organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish and school treble choirs in the Archdiocese of Chicago and neighboring dioceses to participate in a Festival and Mass for singers grades 4-8.

Saturday, February 28, 2015 • 4:30 pm

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

708 W Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL 60657

Monsignor Richard Hynes, *Celebrant* Dr. Richard Robbins, *Conductor*

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Each year, Pueri Cantores organizes Choral Festivals and Masses for Roman Catholic parish and school choirs (welcoming choristers grades 4-12) in cathedrals and other churches around the United States. The singers join together as one large combined choir to prepare and present great liturgical music whose repertoire spans some 1500 years - from Gregorian chant and polyphony to masterworks of the Twentieth and Twenty-first Centuries.

Pestival Information

- *Eucharistic Liturgy* ~ All choirs will combine to sing a shared repertoire. As there will be a limited amount of rehearsal time prior to the start of the Mass, it is *essential* for the success of the event that each conductor ensures that all choir members arrive with choral scores well prepared.
- *Repertoire* ~ The repertoire for this festival is printed on the reverse side of this brochure. The majority of the music to be sung at the Festival and Mass is available to be downloaded online. With the mention of your AFPC affiliation, the published song titles (few exceptions), when purchased through Loser's Music at losers@lmf.net, will be discounted 25% off the original price. As a matter of justice to composers, arrangers and publishers, please plan to order an adequate number of music copies and refrain from distributing <u>any</u> photocopied scores of copyrighted works.
- **Festival** ~ During the Choral Prelude prior to the start of Mass, individual choirs (5 choir limit) will have the opportunity to present a sacred song of their choice (limit 2-4 minutes per choir). <u>Conductors who wish to have their choir participate</u> in the Choral Prelude should submit print copies of repertoire selections with the submission of their festival registration form.

- *Attire* ~ Options include: 1) choir robes or uniforms, 2) school uniforms, or 3) white blouses/shirts and dark pants/dark knee length skirts.
- **Binders** ~ Prior to the initial rehearsal, all music should be securely placed in liturgical order in black 3-ring binders.
- **Parking and Directions** ~ There is ample parking is available on the east and west end of the parish campus. Upon arrival, singers should be dropped off at the church entrance where directional signs will be posted. All personal items should be left in buses and cars.
- *Insurance* ~ It is imperative that conductors of traveling choirs consult and work in cooperation with insurance and child protection offices in their dioceses.
- *Certificates* ~ NCEA Certificates of Attendance will be issued to participating school conductors.
- **Professional Credits** ~ School conductors in all locations whose choirs participate in Pueri Cantores sponsored Festivals will be awarded Professional Development Credits by the Archdiocese of Chicago. Application forms will be available on the day of the event. A copy of the Festival brochure/schedule should accompany the form upon submission for evaluation.
- **Contact for Questions** ~ Please call the Pueri Cantores Office at 714-633-7554 or visit pcchoirs.org for the most current information.
- FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE MUSIC FESTIVAL AND MASS! During the rehearsal period, parents and friends might wish to visit Chicago attractions listed at www.choosechicago.com. For traveling choirs, hotel rooms fill quickly so please secure reservations NOW.
- Full details concerning registration, repertoire and event schedule may be found by selecting the Chicago Festival link at pcchoirs.org.

You thus have an important role to play in the Church's life. You are the little messengers of beauty. JOHN PAUL II, ROME 1999



Dr. Richard Robbins, Conductor

DR. RICHARD ROBBINS is Director of Choral Activities and Assistant Professor of Music at the University of Wisconsin-Superior. Dr. Robbins previously directed choirs at Houston's prestigious High School for the Performing and Visual Arts

where he prepared singers for multiple engagements with the Houston Symphony and the Grammy Foundation. While in Houston, Dr. Robbins served as choir director for the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, and the St. Paul's Choral Scholars, Houston's professional sacred youth chorus.

Please announce the Pueri Cantores Festival date to your choir parents at the beginning of the school year. Plan to bring your entire choir, so the repertoire can be fully prepared and sung again in your school or parish.



| 0:30Registration | 10:30 | |
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| 1:00 Choir Warm-up | 11:00 | |
| 1:15 Choir Placement | 11:15 | |
| 1:30 First Rehearsal | 11:30 | |
| 2:30 Lunch | 12:30 | |
| Individual choirs rehearse for Choral Prelude at this time. | | |
| :15 Second Rehearsal | 1:15 | |
| :15Break /Snacks | 2:15 | |
| :30Final Rehearsal | 2:30 | |
| :30 Break - put on robes if needed | 3:30 | |
| :00Choral Prelude begins | 4:00 | |
| :30Festival Mass Begins | 4:30 | |

The American Federation Pueri Cantores 2015 Chicago Choral Festival Repertoire for Treble Choirs Grades 4-8 (SA)

(Please honor the age limit for singers. Ages of choristers will be verified prior to the date of the Festival.)

* Indicates free downloadable music from pcchoirs.org

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NEW! The William H. Hannon Scholarship Fund is available for choirs in need of financial assistance to purchase music for Festival participation. Letters should be submitted to: AFPC, 1188 N. Tustin St., Orange, CA 92867.

CHORAL PRELUDE *"Jubilate Deo" (canon for three equal voices (SSA) unaccompanied) Michael Praetorius Pueri Cantores Public Domain Series "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" (2-part accompanied) Kenneth T. Kosche MorningStar – MSM-50-6302 **INTRODUCTORY RITES** *Entrance Hymn *"The Glory of these Forty Days" Tune: ERHALT UNS HERR *Kyrie: Missa de Angelis (Mass VIII) Gregorian chant LITURGY OF THE WORD (Antiphon will be found in the Order of Worship) **Responsorial Psalm** *Lenten Gospel Acclamation: Mass for John Carroll Michael Joncas Performance Instruction: 1. refrain – unison choir 2. refrain – in parts (SA) 3. verse (sung by Cantor) 4. refrain – unison **GIA** Publications LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST Preparation of the Gifts motet: "The Call" (SSA) Z. Randall Stroope MorningStar – MSM-50-6525 Performance Instruction: a repetition back to bar 29 will be observed. *Sanctus: (Mass XVIII) Gregorian chant *Memorial Acclamation: "When We Eat This Bread "– A Festival Eucharist – (Unison, organ) **Richard** Proulx **GIA** Publications *Great Amen: A Festival Eucharist – (Unison/descant-ST, organ) **Richard Proulx GIA** Publications *Lords Prayer/Doxology: Chant *Agnus Dei: Missa de Angelis (Mass VIII) Gregorian chant Communion Processional: "Deus Caritas Est" (choir, cantor, organ) Henryk Jan Botor World Library Publications – Pueri Cantores Choral Series – 9611 Performance notes: All refrains sung in Latin by choir (SA) and assembly; all verses sung in English by the cantor. Communion motet: "Panis Angelicus" (SA - accompanied) Cesar Franck/ arr. Paul French

World Library Publications – Pueri Cantores Choral Series – 9609

CONCLUDING RITE

 Choral Recessional
 "Let Us Magnify His Name" (Unison, organ) from "Praise and Thanksgiving - A Choral Cycle"
 Colin Mawby

World Library Publications - Pueri Cantores Choral Series - 9613



AMERICAN FEDERATION **PUERI CANTORES** Register Tadasi! CHICAGO CHORAL FESTIV CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS FOR TREBLE CHOIRS REGISTRATION

All participating choirs must be current members of the American Federation Pueri Cantores. (Application for membership on the bottom of this page)

Please complete all applications on this page.

When completed, please mail form to: **American Federation Pueri Cantores** 1188 N. Tustin Street, Orange, CA 92867

NOTE: IMPORTANT ONE MONTH DEADLINE THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THE ANNOUNCED DATE IN ORDER FOR YOUR CHOIR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVAL:

- 1. Choir annual membership dues \$75
- 2. Festival registration fee \$50
- 3. Participant fee of \$25 per singer and chaperone (includes lunch and medallion) for the number of estimated participants. No cost for conductors. Please send payment in the form of a single check.
- 4. Liability/Media Release form for each of your choristers downloadable on pcchoirs.org
- 5. Print copies of the music selections to be sung by individual choirs during the Festival/Choral Prelude and the Prelude information form completed on this page.

Choirs that are missing any of these mandatory items after the one month deadline will be ineligible to participate in this festival.

Registration Deadline: January 28, 2015

AFPC CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS **REGISTRATION FORM**

Choir name as it should appear in program:

Choir director name as you would like it to appear in program:

City/State:

#Singers_____ # Sopranos:_____ #Altos:____

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS (Director(s), Chaperones & Singers)_ (1 Chaperone per 10 singers respectfully requested)

PRELUDE INFORMATION

IF YOU WISH YOUR CHOIR TO PARTICIPATE INDIVIDUALLY IN THE CHORAL PRELUDE PRECEDING THE FESTIVAL MASS, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

Please choose one 2-4 minute composition which you feel will best showcase your choir in this liturgical setting.

| Choir Name: | | | |
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| Conductor Name: | | | |
| Choral Selection: | | | |
| Composer: | | | |
| Tempo: Duration: | Key: Major/Minor | | |

Will you be requiring the services of an accompanist?: \Box YES \Box NO \Box A CAPELLA

A print copy of your musical choice and this completed page must be received by the AFPC office no later than one month prior to the Festival date. The first five choirs to submit this application form and print music will be accepted to sing.

AMERICAN FEDERATION JOIN OR RENEW TODAY **PUERI CANTORES** A truly extraordinary opportunity for all U.S. parish and school choirs.

Please Note: Treble festivals are designed for upper elementary and middle school parish and school choirs, grades 4-8. Guest conductors respectfully request that you strictly observe these age limits.

You are cordially invited to join or renew your membership as an affiliated choir of the American Federation Pueri Cantores. When you register, your choir will receive many benefits, including a 25% discount on all music ordered for the member choir (few exceptions) at Loser's Music (losers@lmf.net), an online newsletter, and e-blasts designed for conductors of Catholic youth choirs. For complete details, please visit pcchoirs.org.

In addition to participating in your regional festivals, please remember that your treble and mixed voice choirs are welcome to participate in other U.S. Pueri Cantores festivals. A schedule of all 2015 regional choral festivals can be found at pcchoirs.org.

CHOIR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print when completing this form and return to AFPC)

| Choir Name: | Conductor Name: |
|------------------------------|--|
| Parish/School: | Contact Telephone: |
| | E-mail: |
| Diocese: | Please enclose Membership Fee |
| #Singers: # Sopranos:#Altos: | with Choir Membership Application |
| Address: | Annual Membership Fee: \$75.00 |
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| City:State:Zip: | Check enclosed payable to American Federation Pueri Cantores |