



# *St. Louis*

## **Choral Festival and Mass** *for Treble & Mixed Voice 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 and mixed voice choirs in the Archdiocese of St. Louis and neighboring dioceses to participate in a Festival and Mass for singers grades 4-12.

**Thursday, March 5, 2015 • 5:00 pm**  
**Saint Francis Xavier “College” Church**  
**Saint Louis University**

3628 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63108

**Fr. Paul J. Niemann, *Celebrant***  
**Lee Gwozdz, *Conductor***

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*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

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.

## *Festival 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 any 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). Conductors who wish to have their choir participate 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** ~ Free parking will be available at the Laclede Garage (3642 Leclde Avenue, St Louis, MO 63103) and the Olive Garage (3338 Olive St., St Louis, MO 63103). Buses may park along the street, with drivers remaining with the bus. Upon arrival, singers should be dropped off and enter through the main doors, 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](http://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 St. Louis attractions listed at [explorestlouis.com](http://explorestlouis.com).*
- Full details concerning registration, repertoire and event schedule may be found by selecting the St. Louis Festival link at [pcchoirs.org](http://pcchoirs.org).



### **Lee Gwozdz, Conductor**

LEE GWOZDZ is Director of Liturgy and Cathedral Music Director in the Diocese of Corpus Christi, Texas. He has also served as a clinician and conductor for choirs of youth and teens in more than a hundred cities around the United States.

Nationally known for his expertise and innovative approach with youth choirs, Mr. Gwozdz incorporates a relatable manner with meticulous musicianship to create a high impact offering of liturgical music.

**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.**

## *Festival Schedule*

11:00.....	Registration & Lunch Downstairs Ballroom
12:00.....	Choir Warm-Up Church
12:15.....	Choir Placement
12:30.....	First Rehearsal
1:30.....	Break
1:45.....	Second Rehearsal
2:45.....	Break/Snacks
3:00.....	Final Rehearsal
4:00.....	Break - put on robes if needed
4:30.....	Choral Prelude Begins
5:00.....	Mass Begins

# The American Federation Pueri Cantores

## 2015 St. Louis Choral Festival Repertoire

### for Treble & Mixed Voice Choirs Grades 4-12

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 [www.pcchoirs.org](http://www.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

"How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place" (2-part accompanied)

Performance Instruction: ST – Voice I / AB – Voice II

Kenneth T. Kosche

MorningStar – MSM50-6302

\*"Cantate Domino"

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

Pueri Cantores Public Domain Series

#### 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

Responsorial Psalm

(Antiphon will be found in the Order of Worship)

\*Lenten Gospel Acclamation: Mass for John Carroll

Michael Joncas

Performance Instruction: 1. refrain – unison choir 2. refrain – in parts (SATB) 3. verse (sung by Cantor) 4. refrain – unison

GIA Publications

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts Motet: "Praise the Lord" (SATB)

G. F. Handel / arr. H. Hopson

Harold Flammer Music/Hal Leonard Corporation – HL-35017271

Performance instruction: \*Lenten text changes "Alleluia" will be sung as "Sing all ye people"

\*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 instruction: All refrains sung in Latin by the choir (SATB) and assembly; all verses sung in English by the cantor.

\*Communion motet: "Ave Verum Corpus" (SATB accompanied)

Edward Elgar

Pueri Cantores Public Domain Series

#### CONCLUDING RITE

Choral Recessional: "Praise the Lord, Our God, Forever" (SAB accompanied)

W. A. Mozart / arr. W. Ehret

Fred Bock Music Company – B-G0464

Performance instruction: Part I – soprano, Part II – alto, Part III – TB.

• Final 10 measures: Part I – soprano, Part II – TB, Part III – alto

• Lenten text changes: Pages 4-5, 6-8

"with joy let all our Alleluias ring" will be sung as "with joy let all our loud Hosannas ring"

Final Page

"Alleluia, alleluia" will be sung as "O Praise the Lord, forevermore"

**ST. LOUIS**  
CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS  
FOR TREBLE & MIXED VOICE CHOIRS  
REGISTRATION

*Register  
Today!*

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](http://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: February 5, 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: \_\_\_\_\_ # Tenors: \_\_\_\_\_ #Basses: \_\_\_\_\_

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Conductor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Choral Selection: \_\_\_\_\_

Composer: \_\_\_\_\_

Tempo: \_\_\_\_\_ Duration: \_\_\_\_\_ Key: \_\_\_\_\_ Major/Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be requiring the services of an accompanist?:  YES  NO  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  
PUERI CANTORES**

**JOIN OR RENEW TODAY**

*A truly extraordinary opportunity for all U.S. parish and school choirs.*

**Please Note:** Pueri Cantores Festivals are designed for upper elementary,  
middle and high school parish and school choirs, grades 4-12. 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](mailto:losers@lmf.net)), an online newsletter, and e-blasts designed for conductors of Catholic youth choirs. For complete details, please visit [pcchoirs.org](http://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](http://pcchoirs.org).

**CHOIR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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

Choir Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/School: \_\_\_\_\_

Diocese: \_\_\_\_\_

#Singers \_\_\_\_\_ # Sopranos: \_\_\_\_\_ #Altos: \_\_\_\_\_ # Tenors: \_\_\_\_\_ #Basses: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Conductor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please enclose Membership Fee  
with Choir Membership Application**

Annual Membership Fee: \$75.00

New membership  Membership renewal

Check enclosed payable to American Federation Pueri Cantores