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PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Parents are a vital part of the Children Choir Program. Parents will be asked to volunteer from time to time. Parental support and involvement are key to the choir's success!

SPECIAL EVENTS

Although singing for liturgy is primary, as the children's choir program at St. Margaret of York grows and as choristers become more experienced, concerts, services of lessons and carols, and other events may be added.

As the children's choir members progress in musicianship and liturgical knowledge, they may be assigned roles of responsibility. Some choristers will help younger children prepare, while others may eventually serve as cantors at liturgies or as an assistant to the Artistic Director.

Saint Margaret of York Catholic Church

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PROGRAMS



Artistic Director

Lindsay Clavere

Music Director

Javier Clavere

THE GOALS AND VISION OF THE CHILDREN CHOIR PROGRAM

The goals and objectives of the children choir program at St. Margaret of York are best summed up by Ruth Krehbiel Jacobs, founder of the National Chorister Guild.

“Training the worship attitude of our children is like tending a rare plant. The seed must first be planted and the soil kept in a condition that encourages growth. Once the seed has been planted, it requires patient care until it reaches full flower. When it does put forth a bud, fragrant with the richness of true worship, we may be humbly grateful for the privilege of having been the gardeners.”

To a child just beginning his or her relationship with God, music is a valuable doorway into the richness of spiritual life.

1. The York Youth Singers rehearses in the choir room on Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 6:50 PM. Weekly rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 9, 2009, and continue until Christmas break. Regular rehearsals resume after New Year’s Day and conclude in May.

2. Regular attendance for rehearsals, liturgies, and concerts is expected, and enhances the experience for the young people involved. Please mark your calendars with all dates listed on this brochure for the Fall Semester.

ABOUT THE CHILDREN’S CHOIR PROGRAM

The Goal of the Children’s Choir Program is to teach children the language of music and artistic expression within the context of a Catholic Christian community of faith, which includes active and regular participation in church liturgies.

Participants in the children’s choir program at St. Margaret of York are actively involved in the spiritual and liturgical life of the church. They serve as ministers of music at

selected liturgies throughout the year.

ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

The Children’s Choir Program at St. Margaret of York is committed to fostering excellent musicianship, knowledgeable participation in liturgy and an active prayer life. This will include ongoing music theory, ear-training and sight singing; fundamentals of liturgy and involvement in the prayer life of the community.
