

## Music and Choirs at Emmanuel

The Emmanuel Choir provides strong musical leadership for worship. The dedication and talent of this group allows the parish to hear a wide variety of choral music as the choir continually learns new music and revisits music already in their repertoire.

The most significant change in Emmanuel's music program has been the re-introduction of music for children. Each Sunday the children begin their Catechesis time with 10-15 minutes of music led by members of the adult choir. Two levels of choirs have been introduced: The Angel Choir (ages 3-6) and the St. Cecilia Choir (ages 7-10).

The Emmanuel Choir is looking for singers of all ages and experience levels. This is an opportunity to make new friends, learn new musical skills, and participate in worship in a very personal and meaningful way. No audition is required; anyone who likes to sing is welcome!

Emmanuel's Choir is open to both adults and children aged 11 years and up. Emphasis is placed both on musical instruction—using the Royal School of Church Music training materials—and on music as a liturgical ministry of the church.

There are many benefits to belonging to Emmanuel's choir. They include:

- The opportunity to participate in an important church ministry
- Free music instruction
- Small group work in music theory, sight-singing, and ear training
- Regular performance of the finest sacred music drawn from a large repertoire
- Concert opportunities
- Personal growth in an environment of teamwork and enjoyment
- The reassurance that your time or your child's time is being well spent not only learning how to sing, but also developing broader skills of self discipline and commitment which are essential to success in any walk of life.

### F.A.Q.

Who can sing?

Membership in the choir is open to both adults and children aged 9 and up. The only requirements are a second grade reading ability, an interest in music, enthusiasm for singing, and love for the Lord.

Is there an audition?

No. Singers of all levels of ability are welcome and encouraged to participate.

As a singer do I, or does my child always need to attend?

There is an expectation that attendance will be nearly 100%.

How do I join?

For more information about the music program, or to enroll yourself or your child in one of the choirs, please contact the Director of Music whose name and phone number are listed on the contact page. The choirs are delighted to have new members. If you are interested please let your voice be heard! We look forward to singing with you!