

Children and youth, ages 5-18, are invited to sing several pieces with the choir at Christmas Mass. Some practicing of music at home and attendance at two rehearsals will be required. Rehearsals will be 6:00-7:00 pm on Tuesday, December 12 and Wednesday, December 20. Please see the St. Joan of Arc website for recordings, printable music, and further details.

Rehearsal and Mass Schedule Children/Youth Choir for Christmas

Here is the plan for having children sing with the choir at Christmas:

MIDNIGHT MASS

A procession of youth will lead Father into church before Midnight Mass. They will need to arrive at church on the night of Dec. 24 by 11:40 pm at the latest. They will carry lighted candles while singing “O Come Little Children”. This song needs to be memorized and sung loudly!

Also before Mass, they will sing “O Come All Ye Faithful” while processing to the back of the church. This song also needs to be memorized and sung loudly.

All children will kneel with their parents at Mass. During the closing hymn they will come up to the choir loft to sing several more hymns with the choir. These final hymns do not need to be memorized; singers will be able to hold music or word sheets if they wish.

Please make good use of the printed music and recordings available online.

CHRISTMAS MORNING: 9:30 MASS

Children will come up to the choir loft at the end of Mass, during the closing hymn, and will sing four/five hymns with the choir. These are the same hymns that will be sung after Midnight Mass. Singers will be able to hold music or word sheets for all music sung after the 9:30 Mass.

We will have two rehearsals. Please attend both! We will rehearse in the choir loft at St. Joan of Arc:

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 6:00-7:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6:00-7:00 pm

Singers need to be familiar with the songs before December 12.