

# IHM Music Ministry (MC)

In Catholic worship, music is an integral part of the liturgical experience. It lifts the senses and invites us to actively participate in the praise and worship of God, not only through singing, but also through listening. When we assemble as a community at the Sunday celebration, music is not merely conducive to prayer, but rather it is prayer. Sacred music has the capacity to express both joy and lamentation; it asks for mercy and forgiveness; and it offers thanks and praise to the Creator.

## WHO MAY JOIN IHM MC?

IHM Music Ministry consists almost entirely of dedicated and talented volunteers. Our volunteers sing at sung liturgies each weekend, for holy days and other special occasions. We are happy to welcome new singers and instrumentalists at any time throughout the year. We need male and female voices. We are now recruiting for all groups within the music ministry. We need Cantors, Instrumentalists, Adult Choir members, Schola Choir members (high school and college/young adults), Cherub Choir members (students in grades 3 to 8). Whether you are an experienced musician or a secret 'in the shower' singer, there is an opportunity for you. We really want to see lots of new faces at rehearsals so come and give us a try!

For more information on how to join IHM Music Ministry, please contact our director, Linda Pfefferle at 215-704-4652

## WHEN ARE THE REHEARSALS?

The IHM Music Ministry rehearsals take place in the Church

- Cantors and Instrumentalist receive an ongoing training with IHM Music Director
- Adult Choir members rehearsals on Thursdays at 7.00 pm
- Schola Choir rehearsals on Tuesdays at 7.00 pm
- Cherub Choir rehearsals on Tuesdays at 7.45 pm

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Which mass will I be assigned to?

Primarily, you work out the Mass of your choice, but we ask your flexibility to cover Masses when there is a need, especially on Feast Days, Holy Days.

### What's the time commitment?

Generally, the time commitment is the rehearsal time and the actual Mass time when you sing.

### Are there meetings?

Other than rehearsals generally the meetings are very few and average once or twice a year, if ever.

### Whom should I contact if I have more questions?

Feel free to speak to any of the IHM choir members that sing at our Masses and talk with them about their experience in IHM Music Ministry. If you have any further questions, please contact the Parish Office by phone: 215-483-1000

## REQUIREMENTS

- A registered member and regularly worship at our parish
- Has a singing voice and/or is a musician/instrumentalist
- Has reverence for the Eucharist/Prayerful disposition
- Attend the rehearsals

You are welcome to sign-up if you can serve in IHM Music Ministry or are interested in becoming a member in it please call the parish office at 215-483-1000 or contact our music director Linda Pfefferle at 215-704-4652