

share your gifts & talents – Music *by our Baptism, we are called....*

Adult Choir

Formed in 1953, this choir is made up of volunteer parishioners plus a core of professional singers. Singing a broad spectrum of music ranging from Gregorian Chant and Renaissance motets to spirituals and recent contemporary compositions, the Adult Choir serves at the 11:00am Sunday Mass, as well as Holy Days and other special occasions.

Open to all adult parishioners. Auditions are not required.

Adult Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in St. Cecilia's Choir Rehearsal room.

Children's/Youth Choir

Open to children in grades 2-8, this choir sings at Mass during the school year. On special occasions they also sing with the Adult Choir.

Auditions are not required.

Children's/Youth Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in St. Cecilia's Choir Rehearsal room.

Contemporary Ensemble

The singers and instrumentalists of the contemporary ensemble practice every Saturday from 4:00 to 5:00pm and lead music every other week at the 5:15pm Saturday Mass.

Open to junior high through adults. Auditions are not required.

Contemporary ensemble rehearsals are held on Saturdays at 4:00pm in St. Cecilia's Choir Rehearsal room.

Handbell Choir

When the Handbell Choir began nearly 20 years ago, St. Patrick's was one of the first Catholic churches in the metro area to have a bell choir. In addition to ringing monthly at St. Patrick's, the Handbell Choir rings regularly at area nursing homes and other churches.

Substitutes are needed. Prerequisite: ability to read music.

Handbell choir members rehearse Thursday mornings during the fall and winter at 8:45am.

Musical Instruments

Instrumental music is also an important part of the liturgy at St. Patrick's. At Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and other special times, instrumentalists are invited to accompany the choir and lead the assembly in song. The instrumentation varies from individual soloists and small string ensembles to chamber orchestras complete with woodwinds, horns, brass, strings and percussion.

Instrumentalists rehearse on an as needed basis.

Liturgical music is also part of the curriculum at the Sunday morning and Wednesday afternoon faith formation classes for students in Grades K-5.

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