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Holy Spirit Children's Choir Letter

August 4, 2019

Dear Parents of Holy Spirit-

Thank you for your interest in involving your student in Children's Choir at Holy Spirit Parish!

Children's Choir is a group of young ministers from 1st-5th grade who are interested in having fun, singing to God with their brothers and sisters in Christ, learning about God through the songs at mass, and sharing their beautiful voices with the greater Holy Spirit Parish Community.

The Holy Spirit Children's Choir is a ministry intended to provide young people with the opportunity to develop their relationship with God through song, prayer, and service at the mass. Because of the importance of the choir preparing and serving together, we ask that each student attend the weekly rehearsals before the weekend at which they want to serve. If they do not, they will not be adequately prepared to serve. If there is some extenuating circumstance that prevents you from attending mass or rehearsal, please contact me either by email at john.kellett@dsj.org.

Weekly rehearsals will be held in the church on Mondays from 3:15-4:15pm, unless stated otherwise. I will be escorting Holy Spirit School students to the church from the school at 3:10pm, so please be sure to walk your student into the church for rehearsal if you are dropping them off more than 5 minutes before the start of rehearsal. For those who attend other schools, please be sure to have your student at rehearsal no later than 3:30pm, as that is when warm-ups will end and we will begin rehearsing songs for mass. Please make sure to pick up your student promptly at 4:15pm in the back parking lot of the Parish. No student will be allowed to leave the church on his/her own or with another student unless notified by a parent prior to rehearsal. If your student needs to leave rehearsal early, please notify me and come in to the church to escort your student.

Please read the attached *Code of Conduct* and bring a signed permission slip it to the parish office. Feel free let me know if you have any questions, or if you would like to volunteer to help!

Thank you very much, and I am looking forward to working with your students this year!

Sincerely,

John Kellett
Director of Worship- Holy Spirit Parish



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CHILDREN'S CHOIR (CC) PERMISSION SLIP/INFO AGREEMENT

Please read, fill out, sign and return this sheet to the church office at least one day before your student's first rehearsal with the CC.

I give permission for my child to attend after-school choir at Holy Spirit Church on Monday afternoons.

I have read and understand the terms stated in the *Children's Choir Letter*, as well as the attached *Youth Code of Conduct*.

I understand that it is my responsibility to provide my student with transportation to and from rehearsal, as well as to support my student's desire to serve at mass.

Student Name _____ Grade _____

School _____

Parent's Name (please print) _____

Parent's Signature _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail Address _____

Emergency Contact (Name and Number) _____

*Please check if your child would like to audition to be a cantor
(3-5TH grade only)* _____

*Please check if your child plays an instrument and is interested in playing their
instrument at mass. _____

_____ *Please check if you would be willing to volunteer to assist Mr. Kellett at
rehearsal, mass, or other scheduled events.



Teen Leadership Code of Conduct

Youth under 14

Youth Code of Conduct (DSJ, OPVCA)

Awareness of the Youth Code of Conduct for the Diocese of San Jose, is essential in promoting appropriate relationships among teen peers and those who are in positions of teen leadership.

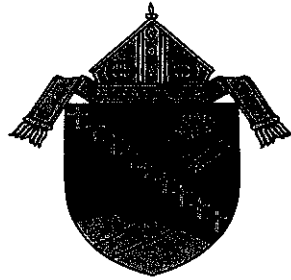
1. Every youth is expected to act in a Christ-like manner
2. Every youth is expected to be respectful.
3. Every youth is expected to cooperate with classmates, teachers, peers, and adults.
4. Every youth is expected to communicate in an appropriate manner.
5. Every youth is expected to respect the personal boundaries and property of others.
6. Every youth is expected to promote and support a safe, fun, healthy environment.
7. Every youth is expected to report and inform adults in charge of any kind of abuse or harassment in real life or on line.

Role Modeling

Teens are role models. Children look up to teenagers and will model their behavior after their "favorite" teen. Teens are an important part of child safety as well. Teens need to be aware that their verbal language, tone of voice, body posture, actions, and social media posts are being watched by kids and adults. Judgments are being made on the type of person they are based on interactions or observations. Teens need to be reminded that there is never a second opportunity for a first impression. When teens are engaged in social activities or community events, they need to be on heightened alert of how they are speaking and acting.

Palo Alto Area – (408) 493-1186

Emergency Numbers (911)



*Diocese of
San Jose*

Name: _____

Parish/School of Volunteer Service _____

Date of Volunteer Service _____

Location of Volunteer Service _____

Time of Volunteer Service _____

Print Name of Student Signature of Student Date

Print Name of Parent Signature of Parent Date



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Children's Choir Rehearsal/Liturgy Schedule

Please Note that these dates and times may be subject to Change, and there are several events that are TBA. You will be notified of any changes, should they occur. These events will also be shown on the parish website (www.holyspiritchurch.org)

Date	Time/Location	Event
Monday, 8/19/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	First Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 8/26/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 9/2/19 Labor Day	N/A	No Rehearsal
Monday, 9/9/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 9/15/19 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 9/16/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 9/23/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 9/30/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 10/6/19 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 10/7/19 Conferences-HSS	N/A	NO Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 10/14/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal



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Sunday, 10/20/19 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 10/21/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 10/28/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 11/3/19 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 11/4/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 11/11/19 Veteran's Day	N/A	NO Rehearsal
Sunday, 11/17/19 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 11/18/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 11/25/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 12/1/19 1st Sunday of Advent	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 12/2/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 12/9/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 12/16/19	N/A	NO CC @ 11:30am Mass
Monday, 12/17/19	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Xmas Rehearsal



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Monday, 12/24/19 Christmas Eve- Gym	3pm Call (Gym) 4pm Pageant Mass	Children's Pageant Mass
Monday, 12/30/19	N/A	No Rehearsal Happy New Year!
Sunday, 1/5/20	N/A	No CC @ 11:30 Mass Xmas Break
Monday, 1/6/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 1/13/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 1/19/20 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 1/20/20 Martin Luther King Day	N/A	No Rehearsal
Monday, 1/27/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 2/2/20 Presentation of the Lord	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 2/3/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 2/10/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 2/16/20 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	N/A	NO CC @ 11:30am Mass Happy Winter Break!
Monday, 2/17/20 President's Day	N/A	No Rehearsal
Monday, 2/24/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 3/1/20 1st Sunday of Lent	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass



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Monday, 3/2/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 3/9/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 3/15/20 3rd Sunday of Lent	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 3/16/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 3/23/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 3/30/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4/5/20 4th Sunday of Lent	N/A	NO CC @ 11:30am Mass
Monday, 4/6/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
TBD	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal- Easter
Sunday, 4/12/20 Easter Sunday- Gym	8:45-10:45am Gym	9:30am Children's Mass
Monday, 4/13/20	N/A	No Rehearsal Happy Easter!
Monday, 4/20/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 4/27/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 5/3/20 4th Sunday of Easter	10:45am-12:30pm Church	NO CC @ 11:30am Mass
Monday, 5/4/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal



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Sunday, 5/10/20 5th Sunday of Easter- Mother's Day	10:45am-12:30pm Church	11:30am Mass
Monday, 5/11/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 5/17/20 6th Sunday of Easter-	10:45am-12:30pm Church	Last CC Mass @ 11:30am Mass
5/18/20	3:15-4:15pm Church	Last Children's Choir Rehearsal of School Year