



Select Choir

2019-2020 Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ For Middle School only, participate in MS Ensemble? Yes No

Parent Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Email 2: _____

- Please enroll my cell number into REMIND to receive occasional reminders and last minute schedule notifications.

Parent Volunteer Opportunities:

- Thursday Parent Helper: Helps manage student needs (e.g. restroom, etc.)
- Choir Parent: Choir Parents assist the Director with administrative needs of the choir.

In the event my child is a significant distraction to himself/herself or others, I understand my child will be returned to the school and checked into daycare.

Date: _____
Parent Signature

I understand that if I am not available at the end of rehearsal, my child will be checked into daycare.

Date: _____
Parent Signature



SFAS Choirs: 2019-2020 Information

What is Select Choir:

Select Choir is the Saint Francis of Assisi School choir for students in grades 3 through 8. Emphasis in this choir is on pitch, rhythm, voice placement, choral vowels and interpreting text to effectively communicate through song. Singers must make a reliable commitment to weekly rehearsals. The Select Choir rehearses Thursday from 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

What is the Middle School Ensemble:

The Middle School Ensemble is a special choral ensemble for middle school students. This ensemble explores choral literature focusing on vocal technique, the foundations of part singing, and sight reading. **NEW THIS YEAR: The Ensemble will meet during the school day on a rotating schedule each week to limit the time from academic classes.** Each student who is a part of the Middle School Ensemble is also part of the Select Choir.

Rehearsal, Mass Times, Performances:

Select Choir Rehearsal: Every Thursday from 3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

Middle School Ensemble Rehearsal: **NEW THIS YEAR: The Ensemble will meet during the school day on a rotating schedule each week to limit the time from academic classes. A schedule will be provided.**

Mass: Typically every Friday at 8:45 a.m.

Additional Commitments:

The choir sings for school masses, the school Christmas program, school talent show in the spring, graduation, and other special occasions. In addition, the choir also attends an adjudicated choral festival at Kings Dominion in the spring. **The date for this event is Friday, May 22.**

Additional Opportunities:

The cantors for the school masses are from the Select Choir. Students have opportunities to perform in pairs as cantors. Please know that it takes time, work, voice maturity, and demonstrated leadership in the choir to perform this role. Typically, cantors begin in 6th grade.

The Select Choir has been invited to sing at the 10:45 a.m. Family Mass each week during the school year. While this is not a requirement, it is another awesome opportunity to praise God, lift the hearts of our parish, and showcase their amazing talent. **There are no additional rehearsals for this mass.** Cantors from the school who participate in the choir at the 10:45 mass on Sunday also have the opportunity to cantor at these masses. Schedules are arranged in advance to allow for planning of family events.

Christmas Choir is another exciting opportunity to sing. This choir performs beautiful Christmas music at the Festival of Praise and at Christmas Eve masses. Rehearsals are on Sunday's from 3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. beginning in November.

Parent Volunteer Opportunities:

We need you! Parents are our most ardent supporters. Without you, we don't have a choir. Here's where we need help:

- Thursday Parent Helper: Helps manage student needs (e.g. restroom, etc.)
- Choir Parent: Choir Parents assist the Director with administrative needs of the choir.

Still have questions: Please contact me: Colleen Wells at cwells@stfrncis.org, 703-221-4044.ext 231