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AMERICAN FEDERATION PUERI CANTORES

*Bringing together parish and school youth choirs
throughout the United States to sing the Peace of God*

HOUSTON STUDENT CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS

Archdioceses of Galveston-Houston and San Antonio
and the Dioceses of Austin, Beaumont,
Brownsville, Corpus Christi, El Paso,
Lake Charles, Laredo, and Victoria

Your Choir Is Invited!

Pueri Cantores, the national choral student organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish and school youth choirs to participate in a Festival and Mass for singers ages 9-18.

Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

1111 St. Joseph Parkway, Houston 77002

Saturday, April 24, 2010 • 5:30 pm

Paul French, *Conductor*

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Festival Schedule

April 24, 2009

- 11:30 a.m. Registration Begins
Cathedral Centre Lobby
1701 San Jacinto Street
(Use Jefferson Street Entrance)
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
Patio/Fourth Floor
- 1:15 p.m. Choir Placement for Rehearsal
Cameron Hall/Fourth Floor
- 1:25 p.m. First Rehearsal with Paul French
Cameron Hall
- 2:25 p.m. Break/Snacks
Patio
- 2:45 p.m. Second Rehearsal with Paul French
Cathedral Centre
- 3:40 p.m. Break-put on robes if needed
- 4:00 p.m. Second Rehearsal with Paul French
Co-Cathedral
- 5:30 p.m. MASS begins

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- **Eucharistic Liturgy** ~ All choirs will combine to sing a shared repertoire. As there will be a limited amount of rehearsal time prior to the start of the Mass, it is **essential** for the success of the event that each conductor ensures that all choir members arrive with choral scores well rehearsed and prepared.
- **Repertoire** ~ Full details concerning registration, repertoire and event schedule may be found by selecting the Houston Festival link on the Web site of the American Federation Pueri Cantores at www.pcchoirs.org. With the mention of your AFPC affiliation, the remaining titles, when purchased through Loser's Music at losers@lmf.net, will be discounted 25% off the original price. *As a matter of justice to composers, arrangers and publishers, please plan to order an adequate number of music copies and refrain from distributing photocopied scores.*
- **Festival** ~ Due to the very limited availability of the Co-Cathedral on April 24 owing to previously scheduled events, the singing by individual choirs will not be included for this year only. The time usually allocated for this music will be dedicated to the group preparation of repertoire for the liturgy. Your understanding is appreciated.
- **Attire** ~ The options for chorister attire are as follows: 1) choir robes or uniforms, 2) school uniforms, or 3) white blouses/shirts and dark pants/dark knee length skirts.
- **Binders** ~ Prior to the initial rehearsal, all music should be securely placed in liturgical order in black 3-ring binders.
- **Parking and Directions** ~ There is parking on the east side of the church and also on surrounding streets. Upon arrival, children will check in at Cameron Hall on the 4th floor of the Cathedral Centre, 1701 San Jacinto Street (enter off Jefferson Street). They will leave their belongings in that room also.
- **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT CONDUCTORS OF TRAVELING CHOIRS CONSULT AND WORK IN COOPERATION WITH INSURANCE AND CHILD PROTECTION OFFICES IN THEIR DIOCESES.**
- **Fees** ~ A \$15 donation is requested from each chorister, chaperone and director to help cover the cost of lunches, snacks, beverages and other operational expenses of this festival. These fees should be collected by the conductor and mailed to the AFPC office in one check two weeks prior to the Festival and are non-refundable.
- **Contact for Questions** ~ Please contact Chris Popelka at (713) 659-1561 or at cpopelka@sacredhearthouston.org. You may also contact the Pueri Cantores Office at 714-633-7554. Watch the AFPC website for details.
- **FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE FESTIVAL AND MASS!** *During the rehearsal period, parents and friends might wish to visit Houston attractions listed at www.visithoustontexas.com. For traveling choirs, hotel rooms fill quickly so please secure reservations NOW.*

Houston Festival Repertoire

Conductor, Paul French

Paul French, Music Director of Chicago's Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and the William Ferris Chorale, will guide your singers through a liturgy filled with vocal excellence and inspiring music. For a more complete biography of Paul French, visit www.puericantores.com.

For examination copies, please inquire at info@puericantores.com Specify "Houston Festival."

Tenor and bass parts for mixed voice choirs are available to be downloaded online at pchoirs.org.

Music marked with "*" is available to be downloaded online by clicking the Repertoire link at the same address.

A REHEARSAL CD offering vocal parts and accompaniment for the AFPC National Repertoire is available for order from the AFPC office for the cost of \$20 (limit one copy per conductor).

CHORAL PRELUDE

Jubilate Deo

Michael Praetorius

(arranged by D. Rao; Boosey & Hawkes M – 051-46350-3)

Jesus Here Present (Medieval 13th Century Processional)

arr. Lee Gwozdz/ Jeff Ostrowski

Pueri Cantores Choral Series; World Library Publications 009602

INTRODUCTORY RITES

*Entrance Hymn: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Tune: ST. COLUMBA

*Kyrie: Missa de Angelis (Mass VIII)

Gregorian chant

*Gloria: Missa de Angelis (Mass VIII)

Gregorian chant

All Choirs are to prepare the parts marked "Choir/ Congregation" in the Gloria with the option to learn the Schola parts.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 100

Liturgical Pressl

*Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Mass for John Carroll

Michael Joncas

GIA Publications

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts Motet: "A Jubilant Song"

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Sacred Music Press – 10/1026

*Sanctus: (Mass XVIII)

Gregorian chant

*Memorial Acclamation: "When We Eat This Bread" – Festival Eucharist

Richard Proulx

GIA Publications

*Great Amen: Festival Eucharist

Richard Proulx

GIA Publications

*Lords Prayer: Chant

*Agnus Dei: Missa de Angelis (Mass VIII)

Gregorian chant

Communion Processional: "Gift of Finest Wheat"

Omer Westendorf/Robert Kreutz

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Post-Communion Motet: "Regina Caeli"

Charles Gounod

Pueri Cantores Choral Series – WLP 009603

CONCLUDING RITE

Choral Recessional: "Te Deum"

Michael Bedford

Choristers Guild CGA1127

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FESTIVAL REGISTRATION

All participating choirs must be current members of the American Federation Pueri Cantores.

(Application for membership on the right side of this page)

Please complete both applications on this page.

When completed, mail form, \$50 festival registration fee, and \$75 annual choir membership fee to:

American Federation Pueri Cantores
615 E. Chapman Ave., Suite 200
Orange, CA 92866

A \$15 participant fee is requested from each chorister, chaperone and director. Conductors should submit a single check for the total amount to the AFPC office no later than two weeks prior to the Festival. Participant fees are non-refundable.

Registration Deadline: March 24, 2010.

REGISTER TODAY!!

Choir name as it should appear in program:

Choir director name as you would like it to appear in program:

Diocese: _____

IF YOU WISH YOUR CHOIR TO PERFORM DURING THE PRELUDE, please include a separate page with this application indicating the titles, composers, and duration of musical selections. Please enclose a print copy of your musical choices for accompanist use.

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You are cordially invited to join or renew your membership as an affiliated choir of the American Federation Pueri Cantores. When you register, your choir will receive many benefits, *including 25% discount on all music ordered (few exceptions) at Loser's Music, losers@lmf.net, an online newsletter, and e-blasts designed for conductors of Catholic youth choirs.* For complete details, please visit www.pcchoirs.org.

Please remember that **your treble and mixed voice choirs are welcome to participate in all U.S. Pueri Cantores festivals.** A schedule of all 2009-2010 regional choral festivals can be found at www.pcchoirs.org. In addition to participating in your regional events, we encourage you to consider the 2010 Conductor's Seminar in Newport, RI and the International Congress and Papal Mass at St. Peter's Basilica, on January 1, 2011. Please see the website for details.

JOIN OR RENEW TODAY

*A truly extraordinary opportunity
for all U.S. parish and school choirs.*

CHOIR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Please Print)

Choir Name: _____

Parish/School: _____

Diocese: _____ # of Singers: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Conductor Name: _____

Contact Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

REGISTRATION AND INVOICE

Please enclose Membership Fee with Choir Membership Application

Annual Membership Fee: \$75.00

New membership Membership renewal

Check enclosed payable to American Federation Pueri Cantores



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