Next Big EVENT: THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONCERT OF TREBLE MUSIC by our Novice and Junior Choristers with The Whiting of Novices! Barry Rose, guest conductor Sunday 24 January at 4:00 p.m.

#### Families of Novice and Junior Choristers please look ahead on your schedules for the week prior to the concert. It is a week of extra rehearsals and opportunity for all the Novice and Junior Choristers! See below:

The "Whiting" of Novices......

This is an old tradition whereby new choristers are admitted to the choir after demonstrating a period of reliable attendance and musical development during their first term of study. Each new chorister is "whited"- the surplice or white worship garment is put on over their black cassock or working garment and each is given their own copy of the Hymnal. The Novice Chorister becomes a Junior Chorister at this ceremony.

This tradition is practiced by many choirs with in the Anglican tradition.

**Tuesday 19 January** Special Novice and Junior Chorister <u>Rehearsal</u> with Dr. Barry Rose. 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Gather in the Music Room. NO EVENSONG TODAY. There is no Novice Girl Rehearsal in the 3:20 – 4:30 slot today.

# Wednesday 20 January Special Novice and Junior Chorister Rehearsal

with Dr. Barry Rose. 3:20 – 5:00 p.m.

## <u>Thursday 21 January</u> <u>Special Novice and Junior Chorister</u> <u>Rehearsal</u>

with Dr. Barry Rose. 3:20 – 5:00 p.m. (No morning rehearsal today for Junior Boys)

# **Friday 22 January Special Novice and Junior Chorister Rehearsal** with Dr. Barry Rose. 3:20 – 5:00 p.m. . (No morning rehearsal today for Junior Girls)

## Saturday 23 January Special Novice and Junior Chorister <u>Rehearsal</u>

with Dr. Barry Rose. 9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

# <u>Sunday 24 January</u> <u>4:00 p.m. The Novice and Juniors</u> <u>Seventh Annual Treble Music Concert with Dr. Barry</u> <u>Rose</u>.

Required for all Novice and Junior Choristers.

The Whiting of Novices – Novices become Juniors! (Juniors Sing, Seniors Listen)

Arrive at 2:45 p.m. for Warm up at 3:00, Concert at 4:00, followed by a brief reception in Tuttle Hall.

Juice and Cookie Breaks will take place during all weekday afternoon rehearsals.

Novice Families, after the "Whiting" You have options.....but in principal other than celebrating the musical growth and accomplishments of your choristers, nothing changes!

New Juniors as our Novices will be called after 24 January have the option to begin participating in all activities on the Junior Chorister Schedule.

The operative word is OPTION. I think for some it can be too disruptive mid year to change their schedule, so if they continue with the Novice Schedule that is great, they will work on the same repertoire as the juniors and be fine. However, they are also welcome to start attending Tuesday afternoon rehearsals and the Thursday or Friday morning practices.

Please have a look at the Junior Boy and Junior Girl Schedules posted on the home page of the Choir Family Secure Area of the website so you can see what is possible.

Last but not least - ask lots of questions, your questions are very creative and open new doors and possibilities while we continue to polish the opportunities and raise the quality of our offerings for our community.

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