

The Choir Family News of The Choirs of Grace Church in New York

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Here we are at the end of the first week of November, the Christmas Pageant interviews are finished and into the waves of the holidays we go.

Pies are baking, Christmas Decorations are being inventoried and strains of "See amid the winter's snow" have been heard in the hallways.

Please join me in welcoming our newest chorister Aditya Chanmugam to the Choir of Men and Boys. Aditya is a fourth grader at Nord Anglia International School and he brings with him his mom and dad Sukanya Rajaratnam and Ravi Chanmugam. Please join me in making them welcome. He sang a beautiful pageant interview on Tuesday. He will join Leo and Marko as special 4th grade leaders on Tuesday Evening for rehearsals and Evensong.

Be safe and have a beautiful weekend, love, pa

*THIS SUNDAY - 10 November

**The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults
Seniors Required, Novices and Juniors Optional**

Lunch with afternoon rehearsal today 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
This is the big Britten Ceremony of Carols Rehearsal.

***NEXT SUNDAY - 17 November**

The Choir of Men and Boys
Seniors Required, Novices and Juniors Optional

Lunch and afternoon rehearsal today from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
We will be working on the Carol Service Music for Christmas Eve, All
Senior Girls welcome.

***THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PIE SALE**

Here come the holidays, gobble, gobble, gobble!

Click the link, everything you want to know is there!

Remember, the chorister who sells the most pies wins the prize!
and
If we beat our last year's sales, the choristers win an ice cream party after
the Carol Sing!

[Click here to see the email sent out by Karen and Leah our Pie Chairs to
the choir community about "Pie Season."](#)

***LOOKING AHEAD -**

It's Pie Time!

24 November, Sunday
The Combined Choirs singing, GCS Sunday
All Choristers Required
Alumni welcome to sing with the choirs, come at 9:45 to rehearse!

8 December, Sunday

Junior - Novice Sunday with New Seniors

This is the first of three special Sundays (the other two in February and May) when the Juniors, Novices and New Seniors take the choir stalls and lead Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

Required for All Novices, Juniors and New Seniors,

9:45 call, 11:00 service

8 December, Sunday

The Annual Choir Family Christmas Party

in the GCS Dining Room, details forthcoming.

***THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

This is a link to the site with the goggle cal posts. Please let [pallen](#) know if you have any trouble downloading the schedules.

***SENIOR NEWS**

THIS SUNDAY - 10 November

The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults, Seniors Required

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The First Junior Tuesday Evensong on 1 October was wonderful.

All Senior Choristers who are available are encouraged to continue attending to sing and help the new juniors find the rhythm and feel supported singing this special choral meditation.

You are the best teachers. Even if you can't make the rehearsal show up after 5:40 to vest and sing with us.

This year we are starting with Dyson in c minor, it's been a while, so have a listen to remember it:

[Dyson Magnificat in c minor](#)

[Dyson Nunc dimittis in c minor](#)

Has your chorister done their listening homework? It's never too late. It would be great if they would listen some each week and get these wonderful pieces in their ears.

EVERYONE:

[Thomanerchor Leipzig "Der Geist hilft unser Schwachheit auf" Johann Sebastian Bach](#)

FOR BOYS: Britten's [REJOICE IN THE LAMB](#)

FOR GIRLS: Britten's [A CEREMONY OF CAROLS](#)

***JUNIOR CHORISTER NEWS**

THIS SUNDAY - 10 November

The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults
Novices and Juniors Optional

24 November, Sunday

The Combined Choirs singing, GCS Sunday
All Choristers Required

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8 December, Sunday

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9:45 call, 11:00 service

***NOVICE CHORISTER NEWS**

THIS SUNDAY - 10 November

The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults
Novices and Juniors Optional

24 November, Sunday

The Combined Choirs singing, GCS Sunday

All Choristers Required

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8 December, Sunday

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***HIGH SCHOOL SINGER NEWS**

GIRLS - Sunday 10 November 1:00 - 3:00, our annual Ceremony of Carols Rehearsal. You'all come! In the Chantry

I'll write soon about a full HS rehearsals including the guys.

HS Singers are invited to show up on Sundays when the Girl's are singing and jam with us all. Just let PA know if you can so music will be prepared in advance for you.

***PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
SIGN UP GENIUS**

Sign up genius has three links this year. Please note.

- Sunday and special choir event
Parent Helpers/Volunteers
- Tuesday Evensong choir parent helpers
- After School Vocal Coaching.

The links may be found at the bottom of this newsletter.

***SOCIAL MEDIA:
INSTAGRAM**

If you are interested in contributing to the choir Instagram account (or possibly taking it over) please contact [Meaghan Cheung](mailto:meaghanscheung@gmail.com) at meaghanscheung@gmail.com

FACEBOOK

Follow us on Facebook:
Music at Grace Church in New York

***RECRUITING IS NEVER OVER!**

This is our slogan, so if anyone asks, it is never too late to join the choir family and be part of this special community as the music blooms.

CHOIR ESSENTIALS

The Choir Word for 2019-2020 - TEAMWORK!

The L's of Choir:

Look - Listen - Learn - Lead!

The C's of Choir

**Courtesy - Confidence - Communication - Care - Commitment - Clarity
- Concentration. All of these build and care for our Choir Community.**

Here is where you find all the Choir Schedules just click!

[Goggle Cal Link to all Choir Schedules](#)

Important Links:

The Goggle Choir Schedule Calendar Link

Sign Up Genius for Choir Parent Volunteer Sign Link

Sign Up Genius for After School Vocal Coaching

Sign Up Genius Tuesday Night Parent Helpers

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