

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

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***FROM THE DESK OF DR. ALLEN**

Greetings everyone with hope that you are all safe, sound and healthy.

All choir activities for the choristers are postponed through March - after today of course that was already planned.

As the pandemic runs its course and direction is given by authorities we will make any adjustments needed to keep everyone as safe as possible.

At the moment, let's plan that if allowed, only morning rehearsals will take place the week after spring break, no afternoon activities to allow everyone to get back to into daily rhythm calmly.

That being said, I'll send out schedule revisions as we live through this and I'm given direction.

Try to have a restful and peaceful spring break and enjoy being together.

Write or call if you need anything and I can help or if you just want to be in touch!

We can't shake hands but we can still smile at one another and let the love flow.

Be safe, you are all in my thoughts and prayers with so much love, Patrick

Cary over reminders:

Families of rising Fifth graders - after Spring Break we need to schedule their "Senior Audition" appointment. They may come by themselves or with one other chorister. They are already prepared, the music from the Treble Concert is the repertoire we use for the at. If they want to brush up, they are always welcome to Mentor on Tuesday evenings at the Junior Rehearsals and Evensongs. Evensong will resume on March 3.

The business office sent me a reminder that some of you have not yet cashed your choir allowance/scholarship checks going back several years. Please close the books on these "old" checks. Can you look around? If you have really old checks you can give them to me and we can re issue them. If your not sure, ask me, I have a list of checks with names.

***THIS SUNDAY** - 15, 22, 29 March, The Adult Choir

HOMEWORK FOR ALL CHORISTERS: Look - Listen and Learn!

[LINK: The Concert on Sunday afternoon will be live streamed.](#)

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***NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** - 5 April - The Girls' Choir, HS Singers and Adults. (Subject to revision)

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In September they move to the "Junior" Tuesday schedule.

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***LOOKING AHEAD -**

***SUNDAY** - 5 April - The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults

***EASTER DAY** - 12 April - The Combined Choirs singing, Senior and HS Singers only. (Subject to revision)

Breakfast for everyone in the GCS Dining Room

Dress Rehearsal for Easter Day Music is 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. on Saturday 11 April, Required for everyone who will sing on Easter Day.

The Annual Spring Concert - Friday 24 April at 7:00 p.m. followed by a festive reception.

One long way looking ahead: The date of Parent Conferences at GCS changed after I received the schedule. What you have I'm sure is cancel the morning senior practice originally schedule for 22 April, late morning. Instead, we will keep our normal morning rehearsal s Shingmin for spotting this and making me aware.

*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

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VIRUS HOMEWORK: Since we don't know what our schedule will be like after the spring break holiday. I'm placing links here for Se "sing along" at home and keep the upcoming repertoire in their ears with the hopes the crisis will stabilize and we will be able to offer these beautiful works together.

[This is the day.](#)

[Byrd, Haec dies](#)

[Batten, When the Lord....](#)

[Parker, Light's glittering m - too fast](#)

[Christus vincit - a little slow](#)

[BOYS - Rejoice in the Lamb](#)

[GIRLS: Te Deum in C](#)

[GIRLS: Haydn Insanne](#)

[Mathias Let the people.....](#)

[Palestrina Ego sum](#)

[If ye love me, a little slow](#)

[Sing my Soul](#)

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 t

EVERYONE:

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

[William Byrd "Sing Joyfully"](#)

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

FOR GIRLS: [Mendelssohn's Hear my prayer](#)

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

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***HIGH SCHOOL SINGER NEWS**

***SUNDAY - 8 March from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Rehearsal for Easter and Spring Concert, all HS Girls are welcome**

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

***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](#) at [mea](#)

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Follow us on Facebook:

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***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 bloo!

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 Com

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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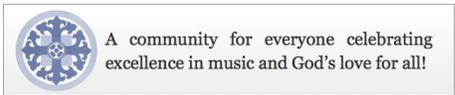
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