



### **INSTRUMENTALISTS AND SINGERS OF ALL AGES NEEDED**

Now is a great time to join one of the choirs and help continue to build the Music Ministry at OLPH Parish. The following groups are directed by our Music Director, Russell Stern. All are welcome and encouraged to join:

- The Parish Festival Choir- directed by Russell Stern. This choir breaks into smaller choirs that sing for the Saturday 5:00 Mass and the Sunday, 9:30 and 11:00 Masses. Singers choose the Mass that they are available to sing on a week to week basis. The group combines into the larger group for special liturgies, holidays and occasionally for Sunday Masses as well. The rehearsals are held on Tuesday nights from 8:00- 9:30 PM in the music office beginning September 15.
- The Adult Contemporary Ensemble is the instrumental group that accompanies the Sunday 9:30 liturgy. Skilled instrumentalists are encouraged to audition. Please come to our jam session held on Tuesday, September 29 from 6:45-7:45 PM in the music office. Rehearsals are held periodically on Tuesday nights from 6:45-7:45, but skilled instrumentalists can join in on Sundays without rehearsal, whenever available.
- The Teen/Young Adult Choir and Ensemble will sing at least once a month at the upstairs 11:00 AM or 12:15 PM Mass and for special holidays. Singers and Instrumentalists from 8<sup>th</sup> grade, high school, college through young adult (30s included) are encouraged to join. Please come to our jam session held on Tuesday, September 29 from 6:45-7:45 PM in the music office. Rehearsals will continue after that night on Tuesdays, from 6:45- 7:45 PM, starting October 6. All singers are welcome. Skilled instrumentalists are encouraged to audition.
- The Children's Choir is made up of two groups. Grades 1-4 and grades 5-7. They rehearse and sing together on Tuesday nights from 5:45-6:30 PM starting on September 29. RE students will be let out 15 minutes earlier in order to attend the 5:45 rehearsal start time. The older students do more challenging parts and have more of a leadership role often including singing solo parts, descants and cantor parts. They sing together as one choir, once a month, usually at the Sunday 9:30 AM Family Mass upstairs and for special holidays.
- Cantors proclaim the psalm and lead the congregation in song. They are scheduled for 1-3 Masses a month depending upon the church's need and the cantor's availability. Teen, young adult and adult cantors are encouraged to audition.
- The Schola Cantorum is made up of our cantors and vocalists who are especially interested in singing 4 part chamber music. The singers must have the ability to learn the music on their own with minimal rehearsal with the choir. The Schola will sing at Mass at least once a month.

To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Russell Stern:

[rstern@olphchurch-il.org](mailto:rstern@olphchurch-il.org), 847.729.1525 ext. 13 or simply show up to one of the rehearsals listed above. Thank you for your participation!!