



## ASB CHOIR NEWS 2011-12

To all parents of 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders

From Linda Reid

**If you have a son/daughter who might be interested in being in the Assumption-St. Bridget School Choir this year please continue to read!**

The purpose of the school choir is to give students who enjoy singing a chance to do more of it and to grow in their ability to sing in harmony with each other. Equally important is the opportunity that choir gives us to reach out with our performances to the school and parish communities and beyond. Sharing the gift of music is an excellent way of building community.

The choir is open to all students in grades 4-8. (Yes, boys are also welcome!) This year we will rehearse every **Wed. and Fri. morning from 8-8:30 in the music room. We will begin on Wed., Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.** Spaces are available for new members at all grade levels. I hope everyone who sang last year will return. It really helps to have a core of experienced singers. (We lost some great singers when the eighth graders graduated and moved on.)

**Performances that are being planned for this year so far include:**

- Singing at Sunday Masses throughout the year at both parishes
- Christmas caroling in the community
- School Christmas concert on Wednesday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> (grades 1,2,3, choir, band, and strings)
- Singing at Calvary Cemetery on Holy Thursday (April 5<sup>th</sup>)
- Singing at our school Spring concert (grades 4 and 5, choir, band, and strings) on April 24<sup>th</sup>
- Eighth Grade Graduation on June 6<sup>th</sup>

**Many of our School-wide Learning Expectations are incorporated in what we do in choir. Each student of ASB School will be...**

- **A reflective person of faith**  
(We help ourselves and others worship through music.)
- **A respectful and contributing member of local and global community**  
(We share our voices with the community...see above list.)
- **A competent and confident learner**  
(Studies show that the performing arts build competence and confidence which transfer into other areas of the curriculum and life!)
- **A self-directed learner**  
(Music can certainly be a lifelong passion for many of us! It requires dedication.)
- **An effective communicator**  
(The arts are a powerful tool for communication.)

**Please fill out, detach, and return to Linda Reid no later than Friday, September 23rd .**

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**ASB SCHOOL CHOIR SIGN-UP AND COMMITMENT (Please return to Linda Reid by 9-23)**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_  
(It helps me to know this. )

**I am committed to attending all rehearsals and performances this year.**

Student's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Parent email for me to use: \_\_\_\_\_