

## ADULT CHOIR: IMPORTANT DATES FOR FALL 2018

- **September 5: Wednesday Rehearsals Begin.** Note - this is a week later than in the past because the marriage prep retreat is Sep. 7-9 and your music director had to go and get engaged, and now she has obligations. Our first Sunday Mass will be September 16 at 8:30.
- **September 22: Diocesan Assembly.** I'm including this because there is a wonderful opportunity for those interested to sing in the choir for Mass at the Breslin Center. More details on the next page.
- **September 28-30: Adult Retreat.** I will be gone this weekend to help with the retreat, and as usual, I highly encourage you to register! It's a simple weekend with talks, Eucharistic adoration, and time to just walk the grounds or play cards with people. Retreats have played a tremendous role in deepening my faith life, and I'm excited that these opportunities are available to you. Register on the parish website or call the parish office.
- **October 12-14: Kayla out of Town.** I will be in Missouri for a Nelson family wedding. (Darn those familial obligations!) Enjoy your time not seeing me!
- **October 21 @ 7:00 PM: Holy Spirit Encounter.** If you've been to one of our healing services, this will have a similar structure in that there will be time for individual prayer for those who want it. Basically, it's an evening dedicated to inviting the Holy Spirit more fully into your life and receiving the gifts he wants to give each person specifically. We're all given the Holy Spirit at our Baptism, but in our response to Him, we discover more fully the ways he wants to empower us to use our specific gifts. I'll discuss this more at rehearsals, but I want to encourage you to mark it on your calendars already!
- **October 31: No Rehearsal.** It's Halloween, and the next two days are All Saints/All Souls, so I figured we could take a break for a night.
- **November 2: All Souls' Day Mass.** As usual, the adult choir will sing for the 7:00 PM Mass on All Souls' commemorating all those who have passed away.
- **November 16-18: High School Retreat.** I will be gone this weekend helping with the retreat in Rockford. Please pray for all our high schoolers, that they could be open to the Lord's work in their lives.
- **December 2: First Sunday of Advent.** Self-explanatory. :)
- **Advent Cantata:** Most likely, we will do some sort of evening of prayer and music this advent, as we did last year. It will likely have a different structure and we haven't set a date yet, so just take note that it will likely be on a weeknight.
- **December 24 @ 9:00 PM: Christmas Eve Mass.** As usual, the adult choir will sing for the candlelight Christmas Eve Mass. This is always such a beautiful Mass and I'm already looking forward to it, as weird as it is to pick out Christmas music in August!
- **December 26: No Rehearsal.** It's the day after Christmas. Be free!
- **December 30: Feast of the Holy Family.** We will sing at this 8:30 Mass as usual.
- **January 12, 2019: Kayla & Seth's Wedding!** Even though I can't invite the entire music ministry to the reception, I'd love for you to attend our wedding Mass at 1:30 at MHT. You all have been such an incredible blessing in my life and in Seth's, and it would be an honor to see you there.