

Cantor

Ministry Position Description

Purpose: To proclaim the Responsorial Psalm and lead the congregation in song.

Responsibilities:

1. Prepare the assigned music; music is given out 2-4 weeks in advance.
2. Cantor has at least 1 rehearsal with the director of music prior to their scheduled Mass date.
3. Arrive at least 20 minutes before Mass is scheduled to begin.
4. Cantor introduces the first song and leads singing from the front of church.
5. Cantors wear attire appropriate as representatives of the entire congregation to visitors and parishioners alike.

Gifts Needed for this Ministry:

1. Musical proficiency
2. Pleasant and clear singing tone
3. Vocal range conducive to parish repertoire
4. Punctuality.
5. Dependability.

Amount of Time Required:

1. All prospective cantors must complete a 15 minute audition.
2. Approx. 30 minute rehearsal with music director for each scheduled Mass.
3. Attendance at Mass once or twice a month.
4. Practice at home when needed.

When Ministry is Performed:

During weekend and Holy Day Masses.

Length of Commitment:

We request a minimum 1 year commitment.

Training Provided:

Beginning cantors will shadow a current cantor until comfortable and familiar. Cantors will undergo individual instruction with the director of music as needed. A schedule is provided every month.

Responsible to:

Paula Federman – Director of Music Ministry