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Dear Friend of the Arts,

Last year was an exciting year for the musical arts at Saint Wendelin. We had a wonderful year of concerts featuring students from Bowling Green State University, soprano Alicia DeVore, and the Parish Choir during Holy Week. Without a doubt, it was a thrill to host the Toledo Symphony for our biennial Christmas Concert which was a wonderfully packed house! We also had the honor of hosting the Fostoria Community Band for their Silver Anniversary concert which featured a piece commissioned and world premiered in their honor. The season concluded with the esteemed Cardinal Chorale as they traveled throughout state on their summer tour.

With excitement, I am glad to announce the current concert line up for our fourth annual season! I have had a few performers reach out to me within the past week so there is the possibility of more concerts on the way. All of this year's concerts will be free to attend.

Saturday, October 22 at 8:00 PM: Bowling Green State University Men's Chorus

Sunday, November 13 at 3:00 PM: Heidelberg University Concert Choir & Chamber Singers

Sunday, January 8 at 4:00 PM: Brass Quintet from the Lima Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, February 12 at 3:00 PM: Fostoria Handbell Choirs

Sunday, March 5 at 3:00 PM: Erica Gabel, mezzo-soprano

Tuesday, April 4 at 7:30 PM: Saint Wendelin Parish Choir Holy Week Cantata: Song of the Shadows

Thursday, May 18 at 7:00 PM: Angela Massey, flute, and Chee-Hang See, piano

Realizing that many of us are in difficult times right now financially, I am hoping that you will be able to contribute to support this fourth season of the *Karcher Concert Series*. Every donation, regardless of amount, helps bring the joy of live music to our beautiful church for all to enjoy. All donors will have their name(s) or the name of their business listed on every concert program throughout the season. All donations are fully tax-deductible as allowed by law. Here are the levels of giving:

Maestro – \$500+ Choir – \$100-\$199

Orchestra – \$300-499 Chamber Ensemble – \$50-99

Band - \$200-\$299 Soloist - \$1-\$49

With an exquisite acoustical space, the patronage of our community and the continued support of people like you, this gem of a series will endure in our area. If you are interested in supporting the series, kindly return the enclosed form. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Musically,

Anthony Gallina