

August 15, 2007

Dear Youth Handbell Choir Member and Parents,

I hope everyone is having an enjoyable summer. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again soon. We will resume our rehearsals Wednesday, September 12, at 5:30 pm. We are in serious need of new members; we should add six. If you know anyone who plays an instrument (or otherwise reads music) and would be interested in joining Youth Bells, please encourage them to join and let me know about them.

Here is your Mass schedule up to Ash Wednesday, February 6. (Arrival time is one half hour before Mass.)

Sunday, October 28, 9:30 Mass  
Sunday, November 18, 9:30 Mass  
Sunday, December 2, 9:30 Mass  
(Christmas) Tuesday, December 25, 9:30 Mass  
Sunday, January 6, 9:30 Mass  
Sunday, February 3, 9:30 Mass

No rehearsal October 31, November 21, December 26, February 6

The Music Ministry Concert will be Sunday, January 27, 2008 at 3:30 (snow date: Sunday, February 3, 3:30).

Cancellations due to weather: This year, if there is the possibility of cancellation due to weather, you need to call my number (534-2319 x19) and listen for an outgoing message about such cancellation. If my voicemail does not state that there is a cancellation, then there is no cancellation. Also, I would like you to provide me with a parental email address where I can send changes to the schedule, other notifications, etc. should the need arise. Please send me this at [OLLMusic@earthlink.net](mailto:OLLMusic@earthlink.net). Thank you.

Everyone's attendance and punctuality at rehearsals and Mass is, of course, essential to the success of the choir. Being a member of Youth Bells is a ministry and privilege, requiring a commitment to rehearsal, and when we play at Mass. If you have an occasional need to miss a rehearsal or liturgy, you must call me at 534-2319 ext. 19, with your excuse, and leave a message, as soon as you are aware of the conflict. You must also secure a substitute (from Advanced Bells) to be excused from any Mass. If choir members or their parents repeatedly fail to inform me of their absences and reasons ahead of time, your involvement with Youth Bells will have to be reevaluated.

Dress is still white shirt/blouse, black pants/skirt. Dark tie for boys. Enjoy the rest of the summer, and I look forward to seeing everyone on September 12!

Sincerely,

Mr. Cole