



CHORAL FX at St. Francis Xavier A Ministry of Choirs Praising the Lord in Song!

Rising FX

Rising FX is a training choir that feeds into the larger youth choir called *Celestial FX*. Its purpose is to provide free musical training for the youngsters in our parish who are new to the choral program. They will learn the proper way to stand and breathe when singing, and they will begin to read notes and rhythms. *Rising FX* members attend all the events with *Celestial FX*, in and out of the church, and they will earn a place with the larger group by passing a series of tasks that are laid out on training cards. Each member can take as little or as long as they need to graduate into the larger group. Incentives and rewards are given along the way to make it fun for the kids to learn. This choir is open to students in 2nd and 3rd grade.

Celestial FX

Celestial FX is a youth choir that sings at one to two liturgies a month, as well as on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Easter. We have two outings a year to share our music with the community, as well as occasional social events. The students in this choir are expected to listen and be respectful of others and of the liturgy. They need to be able to follow music. Their role as music ministers at our liturgies is not taken lightly. They must show consistent effort to sing well and continue learning to be able to have the privilege of sitting with the choir at scheduled liturgies. This group is open to those who have graduated out of *Rising FX* as well as students in grades 4 through middle school.

FX OF PRAISE

FX OF PRAISE is a contemporary praise and worship band/choir that sings at about two liturgies a month. It is made up of lead singers and choral singers, piano, bass, guitar, and drums. In order to be in this choir, members must show commitment and the ability to sing well in unison and in harmony. This choir is open to middle school students on up to adults.

Harmonious FX

Harmonious FX is an adult choir that sings quality 4-part music at two or three liturgies a month, including Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. This group has a lot of fun together in informal rehearsals that include prayer and devotion, laughter, and significant learning in reading music, vocal production, musical interpretation, and theory. This choir is very much a family in tune with our various struggles, joys and needs. We enjoy our annual choir party at the end of the year, as well as a series of Sunday brunches hosted by various members. This group is open to confirmed high school students on up to adults who show commitment and an ability to sing in harmony.

Sweet Melodies—Sings at nursing home *Resurrection Choir*—Sings at funerals

REGISTRATION ON BACK



Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work or Cell Phone _____

If Student: School _____

Parent Name _____

Parent E-mail _____

If Adult: Voice Part (Soprano, Alto, Tenor or Bass) _____

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*Place a check in front of the option(s) you are interested in. Return this form to Toni Diem or put in a collection basket by **September 14, 2011.***



I am new to the choirs at St. Francis Xavier Church, and I am in Grade 2 or 3. I am interested in joining **Rising FX**. I can come to rehearsals on Tuesdays from 4:00-4:45.



I am in Grade 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 and I am interested in joining **Celestial FX**. I can come to rehearsals on Tuesdays from 4:45-5:45.



I am in Grade 6, 7, or 8 and I am interested in joining **FX OF PRAISE**. I can come to rehearsals on Wednesdays from 5:15-6:15.



I am an adult interested in joining **FX OF PRAISE**. I can come to rehearsals on Wednesdays from 5:15-6:15 OR I can commit to coming to scheduled masses one hour early.



I am a confirmed adult interested in joining **Harmonious FX**. I can come to rehearsals on Wednesdays from 6:45-8:15.



I am an adult interested in joining **Sweet Melodies**, and I would like to be contacted for more details about singing at the nursing home.



I am an adult interested in joining **Resurrection Choir**, and I would like my name to be added to the contact list for funerals.