

ST FRANCIS' CHOIR
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MUSIC PROGRAM
June – December 2008

*The choir sings regularly at the 11.00am Sunday solemn Eucharist unless otherwise indicated.
Occasionally, due to unforeseen circumstances, this program may be subject to change.*

June 1 Ordinary 9	Guest musicians TBA	
June 8 Ordinary 10	R. R. Terry arr. R. Proulx R. Vaughan Williams	<i>Mass in C</i> <i>Gloria VIII</i> <i>O taste and see</i>
June 15 Ordinary 11	C. Willcock J. Ireland	<i>Giver of life</i> <i>Greater love</i>
June 22 Ordinary 12	W. Byrd G. F. Handel	<i>Mass for five voices</i> <i>Since by man came death</i>
June 29 Peter & Paul	A. Gabrieli G. P. da Palestrina	<i>Missa brevis</i> <i>Tu es Petrus</i>
July 6 Ordinary 14	C. Willcock C. Willcock <i>(Mass for the commencement of NAIDOC Week)</i>	<i>Trocaire</i> <i>Come to me</i>
July 13 Ordinary 15	J. Haydn F. Liszt	<i>Missa Sancti Joannis de Deo</i> <i>Qui seminant in lacrimis</i>
July 20 Ordinary 16	L. Vierne G. Holst	<i>Messe solennelle</i> <i>Lord, who hast made us for thine own</i>
July 27 Ordinary 17	R. Heagney R. Thompson	<i>Missa Castanea</i> <i>The best of rooms</i>

August 3 St Peter Julian	W. A. Mozart W. A. Mozart	'Sparrow' Mass, K. 220 Ave verum corpus
<i>(Annual Schools' Mass. St Francis' Choir is joined by the choir of Braemar College and the Symphonia of Melbourne.)</i>		
August 10 Ordinary 19	R. Proulx J. Haydn	Mass for the City Insane et vanae curae
August 17 Ordinary 20	L. Refice S. Rachmaninov	Missa in Assumptionis BMV Ave Maria
August 24 Ordinary 21	G. P. da Palestrina G. P. da Palestrina	Missa brevis Tu es Petrus
August 31 Ordinary 22	G. Cox G. P. da Palestrina	Mass 'Kyrie Salve' Crucem sanctam subiit
September 7 Ordinary 23	C. Mawby M. Dupré	Messe solennelle Ave verum corpus
September 14 Triumph of the Cross	Guest choir TBA	
September 21 Ordinary 25	J. Byrne W. Byrd	Missa Esqualino Ave verum corpus
September 28 Ordinary 26	R. Heagney L. Hoiby	Missa Castanea Let this mind be in you
October 5 St Francis	J. Haydn J. Haydn	'Creation' Mass The heavens are telling
<i>(St Francis' Choir is joined by the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>		
October 12 Ordinary 28	C. Willcock L. King	Missa Messina Let us love in deed and truth
October 19 Ordinary 29	J. Handl (Gallus) G. P. da Palestrina	Missa super 'Ich stund an einem Morgen' Sicut cervus, Sitivit anima mea
October 26 Ordinary 30	A. Gretchaninov W. Lloyd Webber	Missa festiva Love divine

November 2 G. Fauré *Requiem*
All Souls *Annual Commemoration of the deceased members and benefactors of St Francis' Choir*
(St Francis' Choir, former choristers and the Symphonia of Melbourne, conducted by the
Director of Music Emeritus, Roger Heagney, KCSG, OAM)

November 9 C. Saint-Saëns *Messe à quatre voix, Op. 4*
Dedication of T. L. da Victoria *Vidi aquam*
Lateran Basilica J. d'Haudimont *Prose de la Dédicace*

November 16 A. Gabrieli *Missa brevis*
Ordinary 33 F. Peeters *Ego sum panis vivus*

November 23 J. Haydn *Theresienmesse*
Christ the King
(With the Symphonia of Melbourne conducted by Richard Divall, KM, OBE, Patron of St Francis' Choir)

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

November 30 R. Heagney *Mass in D*
Advent 1 J. S. Bach *Zion hears the watchmen's voices*

December 7 H. Schroeder *Missa Gregoriana*
Advent 2 F. Guerrero *Canite tuba*

December 14 C. Willcock *Trocaire*
Advent 3 E. Elgar *The Spirit of the Lord*

The annual Carol Festival will take place at 7.30pm.

December 21 J. Haydn *Missa Rorate Coeli*
Advent 4 F. Biebl *Ave Maria (Angelus)*

December 24 J. Haydn *Missa brevis in F (Jugendmesse)*
Christmas Midnight M. Haydn *Run, ye shepherds, to the light*
(With the Symphonia of Melbourne)

December 25 *The National Boys' Choir directed by Philip Carmody will sing at the*
Christmas Day *11.00am solemn Eucharist.*

St Francis' Choir will resume its ministry at the 11.00am Sunday Eucharist on 8 February 2009. During the summer the music will be led by organist and cantor.

ST FRANCIS' CHOIR
(founded 1845)

St Francis' Choir gave its first performance on 23 October 1845 at the official opening of St Francis' Church, the first Catholic church of the infant colony and today, Melbourne's oldest building. The erection of the church, designed by Samuel Jackson, had been an ecumenical project that took six years to complete. St Francis' became the cathedral of Melbourne in 1848 and remained so until the new St Patrick's Cathedral was ready in 1869.

At the height of the Victorian era the choir was at the forefront of musical excellence in Melbourne with its own orchestra frequently combining with visiting opera companies and welcoming such famous artists as Anna Bishop, Amy Castles and Nellie Melba.

In 1961 the choir was reformed as a mixed voice group by Rev. Ernest Rayson, SSS. He was succeeded as Director in 1967 by Roger Heagney and in 1998 by Tony Way. Orchestral Masses by Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Gounod, Fauré and many others remain an important aspect of the choir's work. The choir has premiered works by many Australian composers and has undertaken two highly successful tours of Europe.

THE ST FRANCIS' CHOIR FOUNDATION

The St Francis' Choir Foundation needs your ongoing support.

Primarily established as a capital fund, the Foundation aims to support the ongoing work of the choir through the investment of a considerable capital sum.

Brochures detailing the work of the Foundation are available in the porch of the church or by contacting the Music Office.

FRIENDS OF ST FRANCIS' CHOIR

One way to support St Francis' Choir is to become a friend of the choir. The Friends form a large and diverse group of people who give financial and practical support to the choir. To join the friends write to: The Secretary, St Francis' Choir, 326 Lonsdale St. MELBOURNE. 3000

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