

ST FRANCIS' CHOIR

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MUSIC PROGRAM**July – December 2015**

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.

July 5 Ordinary 14	A. Gabrieli M. Dupré	<i>Missa brevis</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i>
July 12 Ordinary 15	C. Willcock G. F. Handel	<i>Trocaire</i> <i>Their sound is gone out</i> <i>(Mass for the conclusion of NAIDOC Week)</i>
July 19 Ordinary 16	O. de Lassus H. Goodall	<i>Missa quinti toni</i> <i>Psalm 23</i>
July 26 Ordinary 17	A. Dvořák F. Liszt	<i>Mass in D</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i>
August 2 St Peter Julian	F. Schubert W. A. Mozart	<i>Mass in G</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i> <i>(St Francis' Choir is joined by the choir of Marcellin College, Bulleen and the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>
August 9 Ordinary 19	J. Byrne F. Peeters	<i>Mass in honour of St Mary MacKillop</i> <i>Ego sum panis vivus</i>
August 16 Ordinary 20	L. Refice E. Elgar	<i>Missa in Assumptionis BMV</i> <i>Ave Maria</i>
August 23 Ordinary 21	C. Willcock J. Rutter	<i>Missa Magis</i> <i>Thy perfect love</i>
August 30 Ordinary 22	G. P. da Palestrina C. V. Stanford	<i>Missa Aeterna Christi munera</i> <i>Beati quorum via</i>

September 6 Ordinary 23	R. R. Terry arr. R. Proulx	<i>Mass in C</i> <i>The Beatitudes</i>
September 13 Ordinary 24	<i>Visiting choir TBA</i>	
September 20 Ordinary 25	G. P. da Palestrina F. Mendelssohn	<i>Missa Aeterna Christi munera</i> <i>Grant us thy peace</i>
September 27 Ordinary 26	R. Heagney G. Holst	<i>Missa Castanea</i> <i>Turn back, O man</i>
October 4 St Francis	E. Paladilhe E. Paladilhe <i>(With the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Messe de St François d'Assise</i> <i>Laudate Dominum</i>
October 11 Ordinary 28	L. Vierne L. King	<i>Messe solennelle</i> <i>Let us love in deed and truth</i>
October 18 Ordinary 29	C. Monteverdi G. F. Handel	<i>Missa in illo tempore</i> <i>And with his stripes we are healed</i>
October 25 Ordinary 30	W. Byrd W. Byrd	<i>Mass for four voices</i> <i>Sacerdotes Domini</i>
November 1 All Saints	C. Gounod G. Fauré (orch. Heagney) <i>(St Francis' Choir and former choristers conducted by the Director of Music Emeritus, Roger Heagney, KCSG, OAM with the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Messe en l'honneur de Ste Cécile</i> <i>Cantique de Jean Racine</i>
November 8 Ordinary 32	A. Gretchaninov F. Mendelssohn	<i>Missa festiva</i> <i>Holy, holy (Elijah)</i>
November 15 Ordinary 33	C. Monteverdi R. Dering	<i>Missa in illo tempore</i> <i>Factum est silentium</i>
November 22 Christ the King	O. de Lassus L. Hoiby <i>(with Canzona Brass)</i>	<i>Missa vinum bonum et suave</i> <i>Psalm 92 (The Lord is King)</i>

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

November 29 Advent 1	T. L. da Victoria M.Praetorius	<i>Missa O magnum mysterium</i> <i>Es ist ein Ros entsprungen</i>
December 6 Advent 2	R. Heagney M. How	<i>Mass in D</i> <i>Arise, shine</i>
December 13 Advent 3	T. L. da Victoria Anon.	<i>Missa O magnum mysterium</i> <i>Rejoice in the Lord alway</i>
December 18	<i>The annual Carol Festival will take place at 7.00pm.</i>	
December 20 Advent 4	J. Langlais J. Langlais	<i>Missa in simplicitate</i> <i>Ave Maris stella</i>
December 24 Christmas Midnight	G. Malcolm O. Gjeilo <i>(With the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Missa ad praesepe</i> <i>O magnum mysterium</i>
December 25 Christmas Day	<i>The National Boys' Choir directed by Philip Carmody will sing at the 11.00am solemn Eucharist.</i>	

St Francis' Choir will resume its ministry at the 11.00am Eucharist on Sunday 7 February 2016. 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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