

ST FRANCIS' CHOIR

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MUSIC PROGRAM**July – December 2022**

The choir sings regularly at the 11.30am Sunday solemn Eucharist unless otherwise indicated.

Occasionally, due to unforeseen circumstances, this program may be subject to change.

July 3 Ordinary 14	R. R. Terry R. Reboud	<i>Mass in C (Mass of St Dominic)</i> <i>I was overjoyed</i>
July 10 Ordinary 15	C. Willcock L. King <i>(Mass for the conclusion of NAIDOC Week)</i>	<i>Trocaire</i> <i>Let us love in deed and truth</i>
July 17 Ordinary 16	G. P. da Palestrina A. Bruckner	<i>Missa Aeterna Christi munera</i> <i>Locus iste</i>
July 24 Ordinary 17	R. Proulx M. Duruflé	<i>Mass for the City</i> <i>Notre Père</i>
July 31 St Peter Julian	F. Schubert M. Dupré <i>(With the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Mass in G</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i>
August 7 Ordinary 19	N. Ancell W. Lloyd Webber	<i>Missa Trinitatis</i> <i>Love divine</i>
August 14 Ordinary 20	J. Haydn P. Stopford	<i>Missa brevis S. Joannis de Deo</i> <i>Ave Maria</i>
August 21 Ordinary 21	R. Heagney F. A. G. Ousley	<i>Missa Castanea</i> <i>From the rising of the sun</i>
August 28 Ordinary 22	W. Byrd W. Byrd	<i>Mass for four voices</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i>

September 4 Ordinary 23	R. R. Terry W. Mathias	<i>Mass in C (Mass of St Dominic)</i> <i>As truly as God is our Father</i>
September 11 Ordinary 24	C. Willcock D. Lobo	<i>Missa Magis</i> <i>Pater, peccavi</i>
September 18 Ordinary 25	G. P. da Palestrina R. Vaughan Williams	<i>Missa Aeterna Christi munera</i> <i>O taste and see</i>
September 25 Ordinary 26	R. Proulx B. Chilcott	<i>Mass for the City</i> <i>Be thou my vision</i>
October 2 St Francis	G. O. Rutter C. Willcock <i>(with the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Mass in D</i> <i>Prayer of St Francis</i>
October 9 Ordinary 28	A. Gretchaninov R. Vaughan Williams	<i>Missa Festiva</i> <i>O how amiable</i>
October 16 Ordinary 29	R. Heagney F. Mendelssohn	<i>Missa Castanea</i> <i>How lovely are the messengers</i>
October 23 Ordinary 30	A. Dvořák E. Elgar	<i>Mass in D</i> <i>Ave verum corpus</i>
October 31 Ordinary 31	G. Fauré	<i>Requiem</i>
		<i>(Annual Commemoration of the Deceased Members and Benefactors of St Francis' Choir St Francis' Choir is joined by the St Francis' Youth Choir and the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>
November 6 Ordinary 32	A. Gabrieli (arr. Heagney) G. P. da Palestrina	<i>Missa Brevis</i> <i>Sicut cervus</i>
November 13 Ordinary 33	L. Vierne J. Haydn	<i>Messe solennelle</i> <i>Insane et vanae curae</i>
November 20 Christ the King	J. Haydn J. Haydn	<i>Nelson Mass</i> <i>The heavens are telling</i>
		<i>(with present and former members of St Francis' Choir and the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

November 27 Advent 1	Chant P. Manz	<i>Missa XVII (Kyrie Salve)</i> <i>E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come</i>
December 4 Advent 2	J. Haydn F. Mendelssohn	<i>Missa brevis S. Joannis de Deo</i> <i>There shall a star from Jacob</i>
December 11 Advent 3	H. Schroeder R. Twynham	<i>Missa Gregoriana</i> <i>Rorate coeli</i>
December 16	<i>The annual Carol Festival will take place at 7.00pm.</i>	
December 18 Advent 4	J. Haydn P. Stopford	<i>Missa Rorate Coeli</i> <i>Ave Maria</i>
December 24 Christmas Midnight	J. Haydn A. Adam <i>(With the Symphonia of Melbourne)</i>	<i>Missa S. Nicolai</i> <i>O holy night</i>
December 25 Christmas Day	<i>Organist and cantor will lead the music at the 11.30am solemn Eucharist.</i>	

During the summer the music will be led by organist and cantor. St Francis' Choir will resume its ministry at the 11.30am Eucharist on Sunday, 12 February 2023.

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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