

HOLY ANGELS ADVANCED CHOIR
EXTRA SINGING OPPORTUNITIES 2022-2023

Advanced choir is available to students in grades 6-8 who like to sing. There are many opportunities for students to develop their skills and to perform in the community beyond our concerts at HA. All of these opportunities are optional. In the past, advanced choir has sung at fundraisers, Christmas parties, memorials, Blackberry Farm, Chicago Wolves, and participated in a flash mob at the mall to name a few. Below is a list of current opportunities for 2022-23. Ideas are welcome for further outreach

ILMEA

ILMEA stand for Illinois Music Educator's Association. Students can audition for an all-district choir and participate in an all day clinic, performing a concert at the end of the day. Choir directors prepare the students for the audition record the auditions, which are virtual. If selected to perform in the ensemble, the tentative date for the performance is Saturday, November 19. The time commitment is generally from 8:00-5:00. If selected, directors prepare the students for the rehearsal and concert on November 19. There is an audition fee of \$8 and if selected, the participation fee is \$30. For more information: <https://ilmea.org/>

PUERI CANTORES

Pueri Cantores is the official student choral organization of the Catholic Church. AFPC organizes Choral Festivals and Masses for parish and school choirs (grades 4-12) in cathedrals and other churches around the United States. As a corporate partner of the National Catholic Educational Association, it also provides professional opportunities for music teachers and no cost music education resources for the 6000 Catholic Schools in our nation. The Chicago festival will be held at Holy Name Cathedral on Saturday, February 25, 2023. Conversations between Holy Angels and Marmion Academy have taken place to participate together. The student participation fee is \$25. Fundraisers are in planning stages to pay or offset the cost. Additional rehearsals for this activity may be required. For more information: <https://pcchoirs.org/about-us>

SINGING IN THE LOBBY AT PARAMOUNT

Each winter, advanced choir sings in the lobby at the Paramount before the musical performance. Advanced choir students receive a complimentary ticket for the show on a first come/first served basis. Family and friends can purchase tickets at a discounted rate. Students do not have to stay for the show. They can just come to sing. Available dates will be communicated early in the fall.

MARMION PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Each February, advanced choir sings for the Marmion Pancake Breakfast. The date for this year's breakfast is Sunday, February 12. The breakfast runs from 7am-1pm and times can be requested to sing. Advanced choir sings for approximately 30 minutes.

NATIONAL ANTHEM PERFORMANCES

Holy Angels choir typically sings the national anthem in the fall at Chicago Steel (hockey team just south of Kane County Cougars) and in spring at the Kane County Cougars. Dates will be communicated as soon as they are available.

FIELD TRIPS

On the last day of school, before Christmas vacation, advanced choir stays after school for dodge ball, pizza, and caroling. More details will be available closer to the event.

Advanced choir has gone on tour in the community, visiting places such as Bickford, St. Mark's PreSchool, Mercy Hospital, Aurora Public Library, and Bally Doyle's. This trip is usually right before the Christmas concert during the school day.

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