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Dates for the Calendar

9.10 Liturgy Choir Rehearsal

9.11 All School Mass

9.13 M4P Rehearsal

10.20 Nashville Catholic Youth Choral Festival

MADE FOR PRAISE CHOIR

Now that we have worked out all the kinks in the schedule, we are ready to begin rehearsing!

M4P will meet for its first rehearsal this Friday, at 2:15-3:00 p.m. Rehearsal will be every other Friday at the same time.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; cry out to the rock of our salvation!

~ Psalm 95

LITURGY CHOIR – Choir members in grades 6, 7 & 8 have the opportunity to sing in the very first Nashville Catholic Youth Choral Festival! The Festival is free to participants, due to the generosity of St. Edward School who is sponsoring the event. Additionally, Pope John Paul II High School is hosting the event at no cost. Jj Ebelhar is directing the festival rehearsals and concert. I am most excited to be the accompanist. I hope that all of our eligible choir members can participate. Please see the notice in your Tuesday folder.

The Festival is Sunday, October 20th from 1:00-5:30 pm at JPII. Everyone is invited to the closing concert, which starts at 5:00 pm in the auditorium.

3rd & 4th Graders – Students in 3rd & 4th grades have their instruments. (3rd has flutophones; 4th has recorders.) Students are responsible for bringing their instruments and materials to class each week. I will forgive a forgotten instrument 1 time each semester. After that, 3 points will be taken off the daily grade (daily grade =10 points.) I suggest that students keep instruments in their back packs at all times unless they are practicing.

3rd graders played their flutophones for the first time yesterday! 4th graders started last week! Both classes are doing very well and I expect they will make great progress this year! Playing these instruments is an important part of musical development and prepares students for beginning band.

BEGINNING BAND -- Our beginning band program has taken off with flying colors! There are 27 Eagle Strong SAS students in our first band. I love seeing all those instrument cases on Mondays and Wednesdays. We are blessed to be able to round out our music program by offering both choral and instrumental opportunities for our students. Thanks to our St. Ann Community for supporting this very important program!

6-8 GENERAL MUSIC – Students in 6-8 Music will begin guitar this week. Students will start the year in partners who share a guitar in class. They are responsible for keeping up with all handouts, chord charts, etc., and must bring everything that I give them to each class. I am providing binders for everyone to help them keep up with their music. Please look for a memo in your Tuesday folder regarding guitar check out. This must be signed by both parent and student, if a student wants to check out a guitar for personal practice. Feel free to contact me with any questions.