

Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh
Forth in Praise – Liturgy Commission Music



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Archdiocesan Music Practice for the Papal Mass 28th August

At St Francis Xavier, Falkirk

Hope Street, FK1 5AT

The day is being led by Emma Turnbull, Director of Music at St Mary's Cathedral, Misia Paul and Fr Simon Hughes.

The practice runs from 11am-5pm for choir members. People attending the Papal Mass as part of the congregation are welcome to attend from 3pm-5pm.

If you would like to attend as part of the congregation or for more information please contact
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Papal Mass at Bellahouston Park, Glasgow on 16 September, 2010

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Choir

Each diocese was allocated a number of places, and we got 120. There was a big take-up, and at present all places are filled. Each choir member is to be given a choir workbook, and most people already have them. A few books were sent to the wrong place, but we are in the course of retrieving them and will get them to their rightful owners as soon as possible.

If you have a choir place but have to drop out, please return your book as soon as possible, as it will have to be given to the person on the waiting list who replaces you. You can post your book directly to Katherine (one book in a non-padded A4 envelope can go at Large Letter rate), or drop it into St Francis Xavier, Falkirk (attention Katherine) or give it in at a Tuesday evening Archdiocesan Choir practice at St John's, Corstorphine (attention Karen Birnie).

Bellahouston arrangements

Information about the arrangements for the Bellahouston event, together with a list of music to be sung, can be found at www.BeingCatholic.org.

Our own website, www.forthinpraise.co.uk, carries information about the St Andrews and Edinburgh archdiocesan contribution to the event, and is regularly updated with news on the Papal Mass page. It also contains computer-generated MP3 audio files of the MacMillan Mass, which can be listened to online; choir and congregational parts are provided. We have been permitted to upload these on condition that they are used for personal practice only, and not freely copied or distributed.

Dress code - It is suggested that singers wear black plus any tartan scarf for the ladies and any tartan tie for the gentlemen.

Choir and Musicians who have been allocated a place in the choir or in one of the bands should not request tickets from their parishes. Separate arrangements are being made so that choir and musicians can be in place for rehearsal at 11:30am on the 16th.

Full details regarding this will be issued soon, but choirs should be prepared to muster at a Glasgow location in the morning of the 16th. (Exact time and place will be announced soon.) They will then be transported to the park. Security arrangements will be included in this mustering/transporting process. Note choir members may require photo ID.

Choir Practices – Archdiocesan

The Archdiocesan Choir is currently practising for Bellahouston **every Tuesday evening 7.30pm-9pm** at St John the Baptist, St Ninian's Road, Corstorphine, Edinburgh, EH12 8AL. Anyone singing at the Papal Mass, but not usually in the choir, is welcome to attend rehearsals.

Choir Practice – National

A practice for the full Bellahouston choir will be held in Motherwell on **11 September**. All members of the Papal Choir for the 16th September (from all the dioceses of Scotland) need to be at Motherwell Cathedral to rehearse from 12.00 to 4.00 on Saturday 11th September. There will be a break with tea / sandwiches courtesy of the Diocese of Motherwell.

Parish practices

We are inviting parishes who are holding practices (for choir, congregation or both) to get in touch if they would like these advertised on our website, so that people from other parishes can also attend. Groups of parishes may wish to get together to organise a set of practice sessions, each dealing with a different portion of the very big programme.

We will post information on the website about local parish practices as we get it.

Mailing lists

The next Forth in Praise Newsletter will be issued in February 2011, but email updates on the Papal Mass and other news will continue to be circulated to those on our email mailing list, and the website will be updated regularly. If you would like to be included in the email update mailing list, please contact Katherine Cameron, Katherine.Cameron@forthinpraise.co.uk, 6 Glengarry Crescent, Falkirk, FK1 5UD, 01324 612034.