



TE AWAKAIRANGI

A Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of Wellington
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21 August 2018

Launch of new Hutt Valley Youth Choir

Te Awakairangi Youth Choir
Musical Director: Ella Buchanan Hanify
Choir Manager: Kathryn van Woerkom

Patron: Father Cirilo Barlis

Dear Parents, Students, Parishioners and school Principals of Te Awakairangi Hutt Valley,

We are delighted to announce the launch of a new Youth Choir in the Hutt Valley for our Secondary and Tertiary young people, the **Te Awakairangi Youth Choir**. This choir will be open to secondary and tertiary students who wish to develop their singing and all round music skills in a mixed choir setting.

There will be an emphasis on music for praise and worship for singing within church liturgies and services. The choir will also sing and perform a wide variety of music, from popular contemporary styles, to gospel and classical, and members will receive vocal training.

Our special choir patron is Father Cirilo Barlis, who is a leading driver in establishing this choir and is passionate about supporting its exciting development.

The choir will be directed by experienced choir director, Ella Buchanan Hanify .

Choir Mission:

We believe that through singing in a choir, our young people can share in a joyful life-affirming and faith-affirming musical activity, grow in confidence, and become dynamically engaged in contributing to the vibrancy of our shared faith expression in our liturgies and services from time to time.

Rehearsals and Performances

The choir rehearsals will operate in 3 "modules" of approximately 12 rehearsals each throughout the year, with one or two performances at the end of each module, eg a concert or church service. Eventually the choir will sing on a more regular basis (eg monthly) at Sunday services. There will be breaks between modules. The choir may also record a CD at the end of the year. Students may enrol for each module.

Rehearsal time and Venue : The choir will rehearse on **Mondays from 5.30pm- 6.50pm at Ss Peter and Paul Church, Knights Road, Lower Hutt**

First Module

The first module will run in Terms 3 and 4 2018, beginning on Monday 17 September. (see attached Module One Calendar of rehearsal dates and performances). These dates take into account school holidays and other events. There will be a performance in October and in December (see Schedule of dates)

Expectations

Students and parents are expected to make a commitment to excellent attendance to rehearsals for each module they sign up for (see Choir Contract)

Fees: A fee of \$50 per module per student will cover specialist tuition costs, operational and sheet music costs. A discount will apply for more than one family member. Where the payment of the fee may cause financial hardship, parents should speak to the Choir Manager Kathryn van Woerkom, email kath@teawakairangi.nz

Please see attached

1. **A Calendar of Dates for Module One 2018**, including rehearsals and performances
2. **Application Form for Te Awakairangi Youth Choir membership** (to be signed by student and a parent)

We look forward to the ongoing support of parents for their child's involvement in the Te Awakairangi Youth choir.

Returning Application forms:

Please email the completed application form **by Monday 10 September** to:

Choir Manager: Kathryn Van Woerkom kath@teawakairangi.nz

Or deliver to:

SS Peter and Paul Parish Office at 60 Knights Road Lower Hutt

Or Post to:

Mailing address:

Youth Choir

PO Box 30079, Lower Hutt 5040

Office: 60 Knights Rd Lower Hutt,

Telephone: 04 566 3088

Payments can be made:

By Internet banking

02-0528-0263335-00

Particulars: YOUTH CHOIR

Reference: Your Name

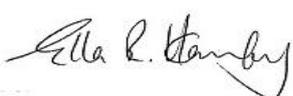
By cheque to

ADW Te Awakairangi Parish

Cash payment delivered to Kathryn van Woerkom or to the Ss Peter and Paul Parish Office

In a carefully named envelope

With best wishes



Ella Hanify
Choir Director



Fr Cirilo Barlis
Patron



Kathryn van Woerkom
Choir Manage