October 15, 2018

Dear Students of Divine Providence Academy, Religious Formation Students and Parents,

I am writing to invite you to participate in the Youth Choir which will lead the singing for our Christmas Eve Mass to be celebrated at 5:00 PM, Monday, December 24, 2018 at St. Catherine, Ravenna this year! There will be five rehearsals prior to the Christmas Eve Mass and attendance at all five is very important. Here are the dates:

Saturday, November 17, 2018	2:00-3:00 PM	St. Catherine, Sanctuary
Saturday, December 1, 2018	2:00-3:00 PM	St. Catherine, Sanctuary
Saturday, December 8, 2018	2:00-3:00 PM	St. Catherine, Sanctuary
Saturday, December 15, 2018	2:00-3:00 PM	St. Catherine, Sanctuary
Saturday, December 22, 2018	2:00-3:00 PM	St. Catherine, Sanctuary

The choral experience at church cannot be duplicated anywhere else because we are preparing our music for worship and to give glory to God. Basic choral skills and voice production will be practiced, as well as learning about the hymn/carol texts we will be using and basic principles of note reading. It is very important that students involved in Youth Choir for this year's Mass be of a maturity level to follow the Mass and respond to prayers appropriately. Participation in the choir provides your child with another opportunity to be with Christian children, youth and adults, and to be in a place where people know your child's name.

In order to make our choir the best it can be, we all need to work together. Please read the following agreement and be sure you and your child(ren) are able to make a commitment to this Christmas Eve Mass and the rehearsals. Then sign it and return it to me before (at the organ/e-mail, parish office or postal mail) November 10, 2018. Thank you!

Mrs. Eileen Hoogterp, Director of Music e-mail: <u>musicdir@ourcluster.org</u> Messages may be left at: 616.899-2286 or my home phone: 231.755-0141 Postal mailing address: 1917 Furhman Street, Muskegon MI 49441

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(Name of Student(s))

is ready, willing and able to be a member of the Cluster Parishes Christmas Youth Choir. I am aware that attendance is important to the success of our music ministry so my child will attend all rehearsals and the 2018 5:00 PM December 24, Monday, Christmas Eve Mass at St. Catherine, Ravenna. Signatures:

		Student(s)
		Parent
	Mrs. Eíleen Hoogterp	Director
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by any of the ways stated above. Thank you.