

Youth Band Member

Holy Redeemer Parish, Kanata

Are you in High School or University? Do you have a desire to be more involved in your parish? Do you have a desire to see parishioners encounter Christ in a new way, while growing closer to the Lord yourself? As a youth band member, you have the opportunity to grow as a musician and serve your parish in a unique way.

Goals of the Position

The primary function of the position is to participate as an active member of the choir who loves to worship the Lord through music. The goal of the choir is to play music that invites, includes, and engages the congregation in worship. Working as a team, the choir strives to serve the congregation and grow in love for the Lord. The choir seeks to draw parishioners further into the mass through music which leads them to pray.

We primarily play a combination of contemporary praise and worship music, and some classic hymns (CBW etc.) in a contemporary setting that fit the theme of the mass.

Roles & Responsibilities

The youth band runs from September to June annually to correspond with the high school calendar year. The group takes a break for 2 months in the summer (July/August). We ask that you commit to being available 75% of the time throughout the year. The amount of time per week of commitment is approximately 3 hours.

Typical Sunday Schedule:

5:00pm - Team prayer/reflection, sharing

5:30pm - Practice before mass

6:45pm - Prayer together before mass

7:00 pm - Mass

8:00pm - Clean up

The possible positions available are:

- Lead guitar
- Piano
- Percussion
- Bass guitar
- Vocalist
- Other instruments
- A combination of an instrument and vocals

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Do's and Don'ts of the Position

Do's:

- Have the right mindset in leading worship in the context of the mass
- Lead with excellence and professionalism
- Encourage other members
- Take ownership of your role
- Invite others to join. Our group is a youth ministry as well as a band.
- Dress professionally

Don'ts:

- Don't be late, set an example of a weekly commitment
- Don't perform

Skills/Experience/Qualification Needed

- Need to be in communion with the Catholic Church/church teaching
- Need to be a role model for the faith, which includes living out the 10 commandments, frequenting the sacraments, having a personal prayer life to the best of their ability
- Good leadership skills
- Skilled at their particular instrument/vocals

Desirable personal traits:

- Punctual
- Team player
- Inclusive
- Welcoming
- Compassionate

Orientation/Training Available

The youth band leader will provide opportunities for both spiritual development and becoming more skilled as a musician.

Benefits

This is a volunteer position. Volunteer hours can be signed off for this role. There is no compensation for the role itself. The benefits from this job include the satisfaction of giving back to the parish, serving the Lord, bringing others closer to Christ, making new friends, and growing in your own musical abilities and walk with the Lord.

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