

Our choirboys love to do a lot more than sing like angels.

Renaissance kids. It's wonderful to watch a boy's personal growth when he begins in 3rd or 4th grade to develop an enjoyment of music and experience the thrill of joining with others to perform classical choral works that are both beautiful and inspirational.

Free musical training. The Church of the Transfiguration Choir of Men & Boys has been giving boys age eight through voice change professional level training since its formation in 1881. Most boys begin with minimal musical experience. The primary requirement is an interest in music, vocal potential and the desire to learn.

Hard work pays off. Each boy learns how interest and motivation are rewarded when he earns a monthly allowance and, after the first year, a possible annual scholarship for successful participation.



A lifelong gift. Participating in a serious choir is more than an afterschool activity for your son—its a gift of musical training and appreciation, growth in poise and self-discipline, and the experience of teamwork and serving others.

For more information, call Dr. Claudia Dumschat, Choirmaster & Organist, at the Music Office, **212.684.4174**.

Is your son ready to grow with The Little Church Boys Choir?



The Church of the Transfiguration

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Opportunities For a Boy

A lot is demanded of our boys but most respond enthusiastically and come to understand the important contribution each of their musical gifts makes to the worship services. As your son grows during his years in the supportive environment of The Boys Choir, you'll notice:

- **He'll be singing** choral compositions of high artistic merit from many different periods of history over the course of a typical choir season.
- **He'll learn** first class musicianship—to read music at an adult level, to count intricate rhythms and to sing not only in English but also in Latin, French, and German.
- **He'll be trained** to sing in tune.
- **He'll experience** the history of Western civilization through music.
- **He'll develop** a lifelong love and understanding of music, "the universal language".
- **He'll associate** with professional musicians.
- **He'll mature in self-discipline and self-confidence** as he practices sitting attentively in church and performing in front of an audience.
- **He'll expand his musical skills** with free piano or organ instructions offered by the Choirmaster during the summer.
- **He'll understand** how interest, motivation and hard work pay off as he progresses through the various stages of achievement not only by earning different colored ribbons for Junior, Senior and Leadership Chorister, following the internationally recognized training program of the Royal School of Church Music, but also by earning an allowance each month and—after his first successful year—a scholarship for each year of participation, made possible by **The Anthony J. Mercede Scholarship Fund**.
- **He'll be invited** along with the choir to sing at weddings, Christmas receptions, and other commercial and civic events.
- **He and the choir will broaden** their choral repertoire by performing at a dramatic production in December and a fund raising concert in the Spring. These performances may include an orchestra and other professionals.

