

Roman Catholic Diocese of Marquette



CHOIR AUDITION INFO:

- Diocesan Choir AGES 15 - 70+
- Cathedral Choir AGES 15 - 70+
- Youth Schola AGES 7 - 14 **must be able to read English proficiently*

**Auditions are 15 minutes long aprox.*

**Auditions can be done in person, over video-chat i.e. Facetime or Skype, or over the phone*

**Auditions must be scheduled via email bobrien@dioceseofmarquette.org*

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Please prepare the following two pieces of music taken from our Diocesan Hymnal:

CHANT #290 Ave Maria

-> sing the melody

HYMN #288 Immaculate Mary

-> sing the melody (soprano line) + then repeat by singing your corresponding voice part i.e. alto, tenor, bass harmony line

RANGE CHECK

-> will be asked to sing low, medium, and high notes on the open vowel "Ahh" as in the word "Father" to help properly classify/confirm voice part i.e. Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass

Objectives & Criteria:

-ability to stay on pitch

i.e. not going sharp or flat, wavering pitch when note is sustained, or singing incorrect notes

-pureness of tone & legato

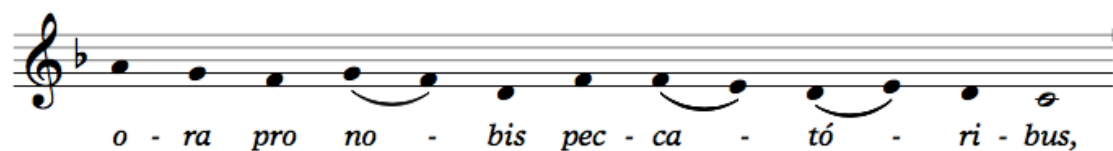
**open/wide/rounded classical "choral" tone. Not nasally, gruff, gritty, or too closed and forward i.e. pop/rock styles etc*

-no vocal slides

i.e. not "sliding" up into or down to a note. The challenge is to sing each note precisely separate while at the same time maintaining a legato line overall.

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Ave Maria



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Immaculate Mary

1. Im - mac - u - late Mar - y, your
 2. In heav - en the bless - ed your
 3. Your name is our pow - er, your
 4. We pray for our Moth - er, the

prais - es we sing; You reign now in
 glo - ry pro - claim; On earth we, your
 vir - tues our light; Your love is our
 Church up - on earth, And bless, dear - est

splen - dor with Je - sus our King.
 chil - dren, in - voke your fair name.
 com - fort, Your plead - ing our might.
 La - dy, the land of our birth.

A - ve, A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a.

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