

Announcing the Suffolk Chapter, American Guild of Organists
2025 CHILDREN'S CHOIR FESTIVAL
MAURA GOODWIN, GUEST CONDUCTOR



Saturday, February 1, 2025 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

St. Patrick's RC Church, Huntington, New York

"Making all Things New"

You and your Children's Choir are invited to participate in the Suffolk AGO Children's Choir Festival with guest conductor Maura Goodwin

Maura Goodwin is the Associate Director of Music at St. Agnes Cathedral, in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY, joining the Music Team in 2018. Miss Goodwin is the Director of the Cathedral Junior and Senior Girls' Choirs, and the Cathedral Children's Choir, where she teaches nearly 100 girls from first to eighth grade, singing for Sundays, special liturgies and their annual concert. She also accompanies the various choirs at the cathedral, under the direction of Michael L. Bower.

As a graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio, Maura received degrees in Sacred Music and Theology, studying the organ under Nicholas Will. She obtained her master's degree in sacred music at Duquesne University, studying the organ under Dr. Ann Labounsky. She also received choral conducting from Dr. Caron Daley.

At St. Agnes Cathedral, Maura has been involved in the production of major performances including Mozart's and Faure's *Requiem*, Mahler's *Symphony No. 3*, as well as Handel's *Messiah* and Mahler's *Symphony No. 2*. Maura also loves early music and is the Director of the Metropolitan Catholic Chorale, a mixed choral ensemble that sings Gregorian Chant and Sacred Polyphony in the context of the Sacred Mass. She also directs a small schola once a month at Our Holy Redeemer Parish in Freeport. Maura is excited to share her love of Music with others!

Anthem List: All music is from the St. James Music Press and will be sent out to participants

- Jubilate!* - Michael Bedford
- Come Thou, Redeemer of the Earth* – Richard Shepherd
- He Is Born, The Divine Christ Child* – Arlen Clarke
- What Wondrous Love*
- Sheep May Safely Graze* – J. S. Bach
- Lord, Speak to Me* – Richard Shepherd
- Alleluia! Alleluia!* -arr. by Richard Shepherd

The festival rehearsals are from 9:30 am – 2:00 pm with a concluding festival service open to the public at 2:30 pm. Each church is asked to help fund this project with a registration fee of \$75.00. All choirs are invited, regardless of size! If you are interested in participating, **please return this registration form to:**

Eleanor Gould, 437 Ralph Avenue, Central Islip, NY 11722, by November 30, 2024.

Checks payable to: "Suffolk Chapter AGO"

More detailed information about the festival will be sent to you or you may call Bill Margiotta (516-841-6971) or Deanna Muro (631-361-3393).

Suffolk AGO 2025 Children's Choir Festival Registration Form

Name _____ Yes, we will participate in this year's festival.
Please send info.

Church _____

Address for mailings _____ We are interested, send more information.

_____ Email address _____

Phone _____ Approximate number in choir _____

If you know of a church choir that might be interested in participating, please list the church, pastor or choir director, and their address, phone number and/or email address so we can send them festival information.