Main Line Ecumenical Choir

Performance Date:

Sunday, December 15, 2024 @ 3:00 PM

Score: Handel's *Messiah* - G. Schirmer Edition

Director:

Accompanist:

Mr. Ralph Purri

Place:

Saint Mary Magdalen Church, 2400 N. Providence Road, Media, PA 19063

Soloists: To Be Announced

Rehearsal Schedule:

All rehearsals will be at St. Mary Magdalen - Media

• Saturday, October 26 1:30 – 3:30 PM

• Saturday, November 2 1:30 – 3:30 PM

• Saturday, November 9 1:30 – 3:30 PM

• Saturday, November 16 1:30 – 3:30 PM

Saturday, November 23 1:30 – 3:30 PM

Choir and orchestra

• Saturday, November 30 1:30 - 3:30 PM

• Saturday, December 7 1:30 – 3:30 PM

• Friday, December 13 7:00 – 9:30 PM

o Dress Rehearsal with Choir/Orchestra/Soloists

CONCERT: Sunday, December 15, 2024, at 3:00 PM

NO PERFUME OR COLOGNE PLEASE AS SOME SINGERS HAVE SEVERE ALLERGIES.

Attire:

Men - Tuxedos or Dark Suits, White Shirt, Black Bow Tie Women - All Black. Long Dress or Long Sleeve Top with Long Skirt or Dressy Long Pants Tasteful Jewelry

October 20, 2024

Dear Members of the Main Line Ecumenical Choir.

We are excited to announce plans for the **MLEC** 2024 Messiah! The Concert will be held on **Sunday, December 15, 2024 at 3:00 PM.** We will be joined by 4 distinguished soloists and an ensemble of accomplished orchestra musicians. Our performance and all rehearsals this year will be at St. Mary Magdalen Church at 2400 N. Providence Road, Media, PA 19063.

This year's concert date has been set so that we can be assured of adequate numbers of instrumentalists to form the orchestra. Each year we face the challenge of conflicting with orchestra concerts that severely limit the pool of instrumentalists who like to join us for the performance. Taking all the possible conflicting dates into account this year, coupled with the availability of the church's schedule, we have arrived at the concert date and the rehearsal schedule. It is quite a challenge to dance among the many schedules and dates to arrive at a date that will work for most of our participants. Hopefully the enclosed dates work for you.

Rehearsals for *Messiah* begin on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 26th at 1:30 PM</u> at St. Mary Magdalen. Please see page 2 for the complete rehearsal schedule. We need your help in recruiting more voices, especially Tenors and Basses! We are asking everyone to bring 1-3 singers from your church choir, community or circle of friends. Our goal is 50 singers, and we hope you will do your part to introduce new members to this wonderful group.

We respectfully ask that each member contribute \$30 in dues to help defray the cost of the performance. This donation represents less than half the cost of producing the concert; therefore, any donation you can make is greatly appreciated. A donation of \$40 or more will be gratefully acknowledged in the Concert Program.

Finally, please contact Howard Fulmer – hmf123@verizon.net or (610) 222-9019 - as soon as possible to let him know whether or not you plan on being part of the MLEC for our Dec. 15th Messiah concert. We hope you will join the fun and bring a friend or two.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Ralph Purri and your Board of Directors