

Choir Director

Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

Application deadline: April 30, 2021

This is a permanent, part-time position, responsible to the parish council.

Description:

The Parish Council is seeking a proactive, dedicated, focused candidate to provide expertise, guidance, and support to the Cathedral Choir. The core responsibilities of this position include but are not limited to the following: to provide creative, dynamic and informed leadership in coordinating the choral element for services, in consultation and conjunction with the Parish Priest(s). The Choir Director plays a significant role, setting the tone and mood of the services.

Duties: Broad duties include, but are not limited to:

- Plans and leads weekly rehearsals, in preparation for regular services, special services, and other events
- Plans the liturgical music for all scheduled and special services, in consultation with clergy
- Recruits, organizes, and leads volunteer choristers with varying musical ability with a goal of increasing active participation and supporting development and appreciation of liturgical music of the Orthodox Faith.
- Maintains and continues to develop a significant music library.

Qualifications:

- An understanding of the liturgical system of Orthodox worship structure and of the role liturgical music plays in the Orthodox tradition.
- Proficiency in choral direction, specifically in the Orthodox context
- A familiarity with a large repertoire of liturgical music is an asset.
- Willingness dedicate approximately 15 hours per week to research, preparation, and planning.
- Strong organizational, communication, diplomacy, problem solving and teaching skills.
- Ability and understanding of recruitment, support, and development of volunteers.
- Formal musical qualifications and/or related experience an asset

ABOUT US

Established in 1923, this is Edmonton's oldest Ukrainian Orthodox parish. By 1950, with the growth in the community, the parish started construction on the current Cathedral, which was opened in 1953, as the Cathedral and the seat for the Western Eparchy.

The Cathedral Choir has been in continuous existence since 1923. 24 members contribute approximately 1400 hours per year to the choir.

Further information can be found at <https://uocc-st.john.ca>

COMPENSATION

The salary and vacation are as per policy:

APPLY

Interested parties should submit a resume, including the contact information of three references, by April 30, 2021 to info@uocc-st.johns.ab.ca