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Dear Families, Friends and Benefactors of The Young Catholic Musicians,

The **41st Annual Christmas Concert** of The Young Catholic Musicians will be performed at **Seven Holy Founders Church** in Affton on **Thursday, December 27** and **Friday, December 28, from 7:30p.m. - 9p.m.** I invite you to attend the beautiful and inspirational proclamation of the Christmas Story presented by our 50-member orchestra and choir of talented young people.

I am pleased to welcome two outstanding narrators for this year's concert. On Thursday (27th), **Elizabeth Westhoff** will narrate our concert. Elizabeth is the Director of Communications for the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Known for her dedication to the Faith along with her humor and wit, Elizabeth is a strong believer that the Church should use every communications tool available in order to evangelize and share the beauty and truth of Catholicism. Elizabeth has won numerous awards from the Catholic Press Association, the Catholic Academy of Communications Professionals, the Gabriel Award, The Women's Visionary Award, and the Business Journal's "Thirty Under 30" Award. She hosts "The Tuesday Morning Show" on Covenant Network. She is an author, guest host and guest speaker. Elizabeth served as the former President and Vice-President of the National Communications and Development Section for Catholic Charities USA.

On Friday (28th), **Reverend Monsignor Joseph M. Simon** will narrate our concert. Monsignor Simon is the Rector of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. He has served as pastor of Queen of All Saints, Holy Redeemer, and St. Bridget and as Associate Pastor at St. Joseph (Manchester), St. Joan of Arc, St. Andrew, Ste. Genevieve du Bois, and St. George. Monsignor Simon has served on the Permanent Diaconate Committee, Archdiocesan Board of Education, Archdiocesan Development Council, and the Archdiocesan Finance Council. Since 2002, he has served as Chaplain of the Archbishop's committee for Eucharistic Adoration. He enjoys reading books on history; and, for the past fifty years, has listened to the Metropolitan Opera radio broadcasts. He is life-long fan of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Tickets for the concerts of Sacred Traditional and Contemporary Music are as follows:

1) Tickets for seating in the pews in the front half of the church are \$10.00 . These are reserved and assigned seats. 2) Tickets for the last seven rows are \$5.00. These are General Admission tickets, meaning you can sit anywhere in the second half of the church. The pews will be marked for Reserved and General Admission pews. Please send in your reservations for Reserved or General Admission tickets.

