

Rejoice in Hope



The Ignatian Schola

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**Chapel of the Sacred Heart
Regis High School
New York City**

Director's Note

Dear Friends,

In Pope Francis' announcement of this **2025 Jubilee Year ~ Pilgrims of Hope**, he said :

We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire

Tonight, the Ignatian Schola offers ***Rejoice in Hope*** to begin this Jubilee year as Pilgrims of Hope through song and music. What better way to "*fan the flame of hope*" then by recalling the birth of Jesus? Jesus, the long-awaited one. Jesus, the love poured down from heaven. Jesus, our light, our peace, and our joy.

It is our hope and prayer that our music will encourage and inspire "*a climate of hope and trust*," and in some small way, contribute to the much-needed harmony, peace, and love in our lives, our nation, and our world.

Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy, and safe New Year to you and your loved ones.

Peace,
Jackie Perez
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To help foster a prayerful atmosphere, we ask that you kindly hold your applause until the breaks (🎭) indicated in the program.

Rejoice in Hope

Hodie Christus Natus Est

Text: Antiphon for Magnificat/Second Vespers of Christmas
Tune: Chant Mode I

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Text: Tr. from 15th century German
15th century carol; harm. by Michael Praetorius

Good Christians, All, Rejoice

Text: *In dulci jubilo*; Latin & German, 14th c.; tr. by John M. Neale
Tune: IN DULCI JUBILO

ALL SING:

Good Christians, all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christians, all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door,
And we are blest for evermore
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christians, all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

The Long-Awaited One

Text & Tune: Tom Lawler, SJ; piano arr. by Ray Guiao, SJ

Angels' Carol

Text & Tune: John Rutter



In the Bleak Mid-Winter

Gustav Holst

Love Poured Down from Heaven

Text & Tune: Tony Alonso

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

English trad. carol, 18th c.

ALL SING:

1. God rest ye merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior
Was born on Christmas Day;
To save us all from Satan's pow'r
When we were gone astray.
2. From God our heav'nly Father
A blessed angel came;
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.
3. "Fear not, then," said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright,
This day is born a Savior
Of Virgin pure and bright,
To free all those who trust in him
From Satan's pow'r and might."
4. Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and charity
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
Is filled with heav'nly grace.

REFRAIN:

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy.

Night of Silence

Text & Tune: Daniel Kantor

Silent Night

Text: Joseph Mohr
Tune: Franz X. Gruber; arr. by Sisters of Mercy, Philadelphia, PA



We Three Kings

John Henry Hopkins, Jr.

Some Children See Him

Text: Wihla Hutson
Tune: Alfred Burt

Soloists: Thomas Rzeznik & Catherine Mikula

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Vss: John W. Work, Jr.
African American Spiritual

ALL SING:

REFRAIN:

Go, tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born.

1. While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.

2. The shepherds feared and trembled
When high above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth.

3. And lo, when they had heard it,
They all bowed down and prayed;
They traveled on together
To where the Babe was laid.

4. Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.

I Heard the Bells

Text: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow; add'l words by Brenda E. Austin
Tune: Brenda E. Austin

Rise Up!

Traditional Spiritual; arr. by Mark Hill
Soloist: Margaret Monahan



Carol of the Light

Text & Tune: David Barton

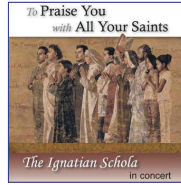
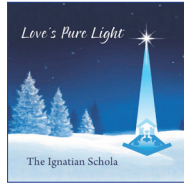
In a world which seems so dark;
In a world which seems so lost;
May the light of Christ this Christmas
be a beacon, be a light.

May the light of Christ be a beacon,
May the beacon light your way,
May the light send you forth,
May it journey at your side,
May the love of the Christ-child
be your guide.

May the love of Christ flow among you,
May it hold the weak and strong;
May that love never cease,
May it offer signs of peace;
May the love of the Christ-child
hold you strong.

In the cold of the night,
in the warmth of the day,
in the stillness of a newborn child;
When we can't comprehend
why our wars never end:
May the peace of Christ enfold you this year.





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The Ignatian Schola is a New York-based vocal ensemble composed of Jesuits and lay colleagues. Rooted in Ignatian spirituality, the Schola is dedicated to the exploration of musical prayer in the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

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