

Diocese of West Texas Liturgy and Music Commission presents:

One in Spirit and Song

A Choir Festival for all children grades 3-8, singing with Les Petits Chanteurs Boys' Choir from Holy Trinity Cathedral School, Haiti.



WHO: Singers of any level in grades 3-8
WHEN: Saturday, November 20th 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 21st 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.
WHERE: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 11 St. Luke's Lane,
San Antonio, TX 78209
COST: \$25 per singer includes Festival T-shirt, music and rehearsal CD, and Saturday lunch



Closing Choral Worship Service with combined Diocesan Choirs and Trinity Cathedral School Choir

Sunday, November 21st at 4:30 p.m.

A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the restoration of Trinity Cathedral, Port-au-Prince

Postmark deadline is Friday, October 15, 2010

Festival Application is available online

Assistance with overnight housing for Friday or Saturday night is available. For scholarship or other information, contact Kristin Roach at kroach@stmarks-sa.org or by calling (210) 226-2426 x131

The Holy Trinity Cathedral, Port-au-Prince (French: Cathédrale Sainte Trinité) is the main cathedral within the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti. The present Holy Trinity Cathedral is located in downtown Port-au-Prince at the corner of Ave. Mgr. Guilloux & Rue Pavée. Holy Trinity Cathedral has been destroyed six times, including in the 2010 Haitian earthquake on January 12, 2010.

The present Holy Trinity Cathedral was known for its interior murals, which depicted various stories from the Bible using only people of black African heritage. The murals were painted by some of the best-known Haitian painters of the twentieth century, including Philomé Obin, Castera Bazile, Rigaud Benoit, Gabriel Leveque, Adam Leontus, Wilson Bigaud, Jasmin Joseph, and Préfete Dufaut. They were created under the direction of DeWitt Peters and Selden Rodman of the Centre d'Art, and finished between 1950 and 1951.

Holy Trinity Cathedral was heavily damaged in the 2010 Haiti earthquake. The cathedral's organ, which was believed to be one of the largest in the Caribbean region, was smashed by collapsing debris in the earthquake. The Holy Trinity complex, which housed trade schools, primary schools and music academies were also demolished in the catastrophe.

Message directly from the Rev. David Cesar to all of us:

“Our staff and students with the exception of two losses are alive by a miracle. Jean Francois Alzinor, age 21, principal Alti of Les Petits Chanteurs died at the University he attended. ‘Alzinor’ participated in the tours of 2006, 2007 and 2008. Mdm Lahens, recently hired to be in charge of discipline, also died, but not at Holy Trinity. Nicole St Victor was dizzy and in shock but she was not injured. Many students and staff from the Trade School died when the destruction came.

We lost all of our instruments. Salle St. Cecile, the only Concert Hall in the country, was also destroyed.

If we are alive, we believe God has a special mission for us. We do not know why and how we are alive because how were we able to get

out of the building when we were on the third floor when the entire building collapsed?

Now the time is to rebuild the Music School and Concert Hall and get music back to life in order to show the future of Haiti.

Thank you for all your prayers and thoughts of us.

May God bless us all”

The Rev. David Cesar