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August 1/14, 2012 Procession of the Life-Giving Cross

Dear Fathers,

On behalf of the Pontifical Choir of the Holy Virgin Protection Cathedral, I am writing to invite the singers of your parishes to participate in the celebration of the diocesan cathedral's feast day which coincides with the 2012 Diocesan Assembly. As we did two years ago, the vigil service will be sung antiphonally between the cathedral choir and an English language "diocesan choir" consisting of singers from any of the diocesan parishes. We will join forces to sing the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. The services will take place on Saturday, October 13th at 6 pm and Sunday, October 14th at 9 am. The "diocesan choir" will be conducted by Fr. Deacon Alexander Petrovsky.

In addition to this, several other musical events that weekend may be of interest to your choir members and parishioners in general. As it so happens, the Moscow Sretensky Monastery choir will be performing at the Chicago Philharmonic on Thursday, October 11th. More information is available online at

http://www.camimusic.com/details.asp?webid=2282. God willing, they will also be singing at the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy which opens the Diocesan Assembly on Friday, October 12th at 8 AM. For those who have heard them before, this is very likely one of the best male choirs in Russia and a treat to hear live. Finally, there will also be an English language Divine Liturgy on Saturday morning at 7:30 am.

For those singers that are interested, we will email copies of music in advance. They are asked to contact me at misha_gill@hotmail.com or Fr. Deacon Alexander at pyc88@yahoo.com for further information.

We are looking forward to your participation in this event!

In Christ,

Reader Michael (Misha) Gill