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University of Saint Mary & Benedictine Concert Chorales Join Voices for 23rd Annual Spring Oratorio *3 p.m. Sunday, April 11, Annunciation Chapel*

(Leavenworth, Kan.)—The combined concert chorales of the University of Saint Mary and Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan.,—featuring the soaring sound of 112 voices—will perform Mozart’s “*Requiem Mass*” at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 11, in Annunciation Chapel on USM’s Leavenworth campus, 4100 South 4th Street. The concert is free and open to the public.

For over two decades, the choirs of the University of Saint Mary and Benedictine College have been collaborating on joint performances of works from the major oratorio repertoire. The yearly concert is performed on each school’s respective campus.

The 2010 choir performance of “*Requiem Mass*” will be conducted by Dr. William Krusemark, chair of USM’s fine arts department. Accompanists will include Dr. Ruth Krusemark on organ, and Sister Gloria Solomon and Sister Peg Johnson of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth on tympani and trombone, respectively.

Area vocal soloists contributing to the performance include soprano Briana Janas, alto Jenna Schwinn, and tenor Ryan Harris-Hernandez

“It’s a great piece of music,” said Dr. William Krusemark. “It’s a work we try to do every four years, and it’s one every college student should be exposed to in their career.”

Contact Dr. Krusemark at (913) 682-5151, ext. 6460, or krusemarkw@stmary.edu for more information.

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