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ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC STUDENTS TO PERFORM FOR CBC RADIO'S CANADIAN MUSIC CLASS CHALLENGE

About 550 students from three Chatham Catholic elementary schools will gather as musicians and vocalists to record a video entry for CBC Radio's Canadian Music Class Challenge.

"Our students are thrilled to perform in this national music competition," says Jacquelyn McGlynn, an Itinerant Music Teacher for St. Clair Catholic. "This will be a wonderful celebration of Canadian music by Canadian students, especially with the country's 150th birthday quickly approaching!"

CBC Music, in association with MusiCounts, is challenging music classes from across the country to perform their best cover of a Canadian song. From elementary to high school, the Canadian Music Class Challenge is inviting everything from jazz bands, kazoo classes and guitar clubs, to hip-hop programs, symphonies and choirs.

The St. Clair entry will be Canadian music icon Stompin' Tom Connor's *Hockey Song*, and will involve students from Georges P. Vanier, St. Vincent and St. Joseph Catholic schools. In addition to vocalists, the band will include several pianos, harp, guitar, ukulele, violin and percussion.

"This is certain to be an amazing experience, as we join with other schools across the country to make Canadian choir history!" says Mrs. McGlynn.

The St. Clair Catholic CBC Canadian Music Challenge choir and band will record their entry in the gym at Georges P. Vanier Catholic School on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Members of the media are welcome.