



NEWSLETTER

A New Year Begins!

*Welcome to the 2013-2014 year of the
NPM Newsletter for the Washington, DC
and Arlington, VA Chapters of the
National Association of Pastoral Musicians!*

A special welcome to all the new members of our local Chapters. Your participation in the events that we sponsor are the essential to our success. If you are just joining us, or returning after a time away, know how much we appreciate your presence.

Annual Mass and Dinner for the Arlington and Washington, DC Chapters

Join fellow pastoral musicians and friends at the annual September event.

Date: Friday, September 20, St. Joseph Church
711 N. Columbus St., Alexandria, VA.

Mass: 7:30 p.m. Fr. Don Rooney, Arlington Chapter Chaplain, presider

Dinner: 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall

Directions: St. Joseph's is 10 minutes south of Reagan National Airport or 5 minutes north of I-495/I-95 Beltway in Old Town Alexandria at the intersection of Wythe and Columbus Sts.

Parking: Any spaces behind/beside church. Enter alleyway between Washington and Columbus Sts. Park on church side of alley only. Parking is also available along neighborhood streets.

RSVP by Friday, September 13 to Bob Malinowski at
bob.malinowski@verizon.net.

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Dinner Cost - \$25
Make checks payable to
NPM Arlington
send to:
Bob Malinowski
7920 Lobelia Lane
Springfield, VA 22152.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER



You Did It!

The 2013 NPM Convention was a success – due in great part to the outstanding efforts of hundreds of volunteers. The National Office and the local Core Committee did fine preliminary work, but generous, cheerful volunteers made a huge difference. It was especially impressive that many of those volunteers were not members of NPM, some not even pastoral musicians. The common thread was their conviction that music is important to the liturgies of the Church.

It was awesome to witness!

Membership Renewal Time

It's obvious that an association such as ours cannot operate without a healthy membership.

As you contemplate renewing your membership, how about helping us increase our rolls? If you know people who volunteered at the convention, might

you approach them about joining the local chapter? We don't want to appear too aggressive (you know – like other folks who badger us with snail- & e- mails), but surely no one would mind a kind suggestion. You can share the membership form included in this issue, or contact a member of either the Washington DC or Arlington Boards, and we'll take it from there.

Two notes to remember:

** Please note that the Arlington Chapter has amended its Parish Membership option.*

** The DC Chapter now has "rolling membership." Rather than working within a specific September-August frame, your renewal date depends on your enrollment date. The Chapter Treasurer keeps email newsletter recipients informed of their status; hard copy recipients can find the date at the top of their mailing label.*

*Charlene Dorrian,
Director, Washington, D.C. Chapter*

Be sure to visit the Washington, D.C. and Arlington Chapter Websites for the latest information on Chapter happenings, registration forms, and events:

www.npmdc.org
www.npmarlington.org

THANKS

to all the convention volunteers who worked so hard to make the NPM 2013 National convention such a great success!



Announcements of items of interest to Pastoral Musicians such as concerts, transitions, or special activities are welcome in the monthly newsletter.

Deadline for articles, announcements, etc. remains the 15th of each month.

Please email Jim Wickman directly at jaw249@georgetown.edu.

SPANISH LITURGICAL MUSIC WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 28, 9am-12:45pm

Cathedral of Saint Thomas More

3901 Cathedral Ave, Arlington, VA

Free! No cost!



With special guest speakers

John Miller and Olfary Guttiérrez

Director of Music Ministries and Coordinator of Hispanic Music Ministry

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Newark, New Jersey

The workshop will offer insights and strategies on

music selection

voice training

learning to read music

adapting to different styles

bilingual liturgy

how all music ministers and clergy can learn from

and work with one another successfully and

beautifully.

All involved in Spanish Music Ministry are welcome:

choir directors and choir members

instrumentalists and cantors

those who assist or coordinate with them, such as clergy and music directors

PLEASE register in advance: email your name and parish, and if you are coming as a group the number of people in your group, to bob.malinowski@verizon.net. Refreshments and materials will be provided.

For more info contact David Mathers at dmathers@stmaryfred.org or 540-373-6491.

Sponsored jointly by the Arlington and Washington, DC Chapters

A Workshop for Cantors

Saturday, October 12, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington, MD

A Morning for Cantors, Psalmists & all who work with them.

It was obvious at the NPM Convention that the Church's Cantors are a serious, dedicated group, eager to improve skills. Our goal at the local chapters is to make that possible in a convenient, economical way. And so in October, we go to the "far-away" folks in Southern Maryland. While all are welcome, we especially appeal to the parishes of Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's and southern Prince George's Counties.

The workshop will include basic training for beginners and special evaluation time for more experienced cantors. The advantage of a chapter workshop is the ability to plan the event according to the needs of the participants. Obviously, the earlier people register, the more likely their needs will be met.

The workshop will be facilitated by Mary Beaudoin. Mary is a pastoral musician and liturgist with more than 30 years of experience in parishes and dioceses. She holds degrees in music and liturgy and is past President of NPM/DC. In addition to her work as a voice teacher, Mary has led cantor workshops and provided individual coaching to cantors for many years.

Further details: Please call Charlene Dorrian - 301-384-5796.

Registration Form for the Cantor Workshop

October 12, 2013, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary, 22375 Three Notch Road, Lexington Park, MD

Fee: \$10 - members of either chapter; \$15 - non-members

Participants are invited to bring two copies of a psalm.

Name _____

E-mail (please print) _____

Address _____

Parish _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

New cantor? _____ Experienced cantor? _____ Years of experience? _____

If you wish to register additional participants, please list below with email addresses

Additional participant:

Email address:

Mail this form with the appropriate fee to (Check payable to NPM/DC):

NPM/DC, P.O. Box 42724, Washington, D.C. 20015

**National Association of Pastoral Musicians
Washington, DC Chapter
Membership Application/Dues Notice
2013-2014 Season**

Please return this form with your dues payment (checks payable to NPM/DC) to:

NPM/DC
P.O. Box 42724
Washington, DC 20015



Dues:

Individual for one year: \$15.00 (Student: \$10.00)

Individual for three years: \$40.00

Parish for one year: \$55.00 (up to 5 newsletters - \$8.00 each additional member)

Parish for three years: \$145.00 (up to 5 newsletters - \$20 each additional member)

Parish memberships: Please list additional names and addresses of those who should receive newsletters, and whether they should be sent electronically, via regular mail, or in both formats.

Name _____

Address _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

E-mail _____

Parish _____

I prefer my newsletters be sent: _____electronically _____regular mail

If a member of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians, please check the type of national membership you hold.

- _____ Individual
- _____ Parish - Single (one person)
- _____ Parish - Regular (two persons)
- _____ Parish - Group (three or more)

Office use: Date received _____



**National Association of Pastoral Musicians
Arlington, VA Chapter
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & DUES NOTICE
2013 — 2014 SEASON**

DUES:

Individual for one year: \$15.00 (Student: \$10.00)

Individual for three years: \$40.00

Parish for one year: \$55.00 (NEW this year: unlimited number of members from parish.)

Parish for three years: \$145.00 (NEW this year: unlimited number of members from parish.)

Parish memberships: Please include names and information for all members, including an indication of whether he/she would like to be included in the Directory. For more members, please list information on a separate sheet, or copy this page and include the extra names there.

Please note: Effective last year, only the September and October Newsletters will be mailed; all others will be e-mailed. The hard copy option is no longer available.

Return this form by November 1 for inclusion in the directory.

Name _____ Ministry _____

Parish _____

Mailing Address _____

Work phone _____ Home phone _____

E-mail _____

_____ I do _____ I do not want my information included in the membership directory.

Name _____ Ministry _____

Parish _____

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Name _____ Ministry _____

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E-mail _____

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Mail completed form and check to:

NPM/Arlington - Susan Trainor

3217 Wildmere Place

Oak Hill VA 20171

REPORT ON THE 2013 NPM CONVENTION

What does one expect from an NPM Convention?

- plenum speakers who inspire us to new heights in our ministry
- break-out sessions, classes, institutes, and clinics covering an amazing number of topics
- special evening events that feed the soul and highlight the offerings of the host city
- new music of all kinds that can enrich our parish repertoires
- opportunities to witness models of prayer that may expand our parish liturgies
- a Convention Eucharist that makes us proud to be part of NPM
- a week of enjoying old friends and making new ones

It's safe to say that the Washington DC convention met most people's expectations – and surely exceeded many of them. Participants came from all over the U.S., from Canada and Latin America, and from other countries – as far away as Japan. Arranging a week of events for over 2,000 people is an awesome task, but with the leadership of the National Office, the local Core Committee was up to the task. An occasional glitch? Of course, but the conventioners were understanding and forgiving. From the opening of the convention “anthem” – We Come Keeping Festival” – to the closing gospel beat of “Walk With Me,” the walls of the hotel were filled with music.

One participant was heard to remark that she was going home to Colorado to start a Convention Fund to guarantee that she'd join us in St. Louis in 2014. Not a bad idea.

Be sure to watch for further convention wrap-ups in the Pastoral Music magazine.

2013 Calendar

See this newsletter for more information on these events

September 20, 7:30pm
Annual Chapter Mass and Dinner
St. Joseph Church, Alexandria, VA
Joint event - DC & Arlington

September 28, 9am - 12:45pm
Spanish Liturgical Music Workshop
Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Fairfax, VA
Joint event - DC & Arlington

October 12, 9:30am - 12:30pm
Cantor Workshop
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington, MD

November 22, 7:30pm
St. Cecilia Concert
Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Arlington, VA

2014 Calendar

More information will appear in future newsletters

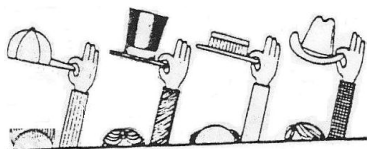
January 25, 11am - 3pm
Annual Gathering of Southern Maryland Musicians
Breton Bay, Leonardtown, MD

March 4, 12noon
Shrove Tuesday Lunch
Brion's Grill, Arlington, VA

March 8, 9am - 2:30pm
Lent Retreat with Fr. Jim Greenfield, OSFS
Theological College, Washington, DC

May 2, 7:30pm - 9:30pm
The Music of the Psalms with Michel Guimont
St. Luke Church, McLean, VA

HATS OFF!



To the musicians who generously provide music for the TV Mass for Shut-Ins, celebrated in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, and broadcast on WDCW radio each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

- * Jesus the Divine Word Parish Choir, Huntingtown, MD
- * St. John the Beloved Choir, McLean, VA
- * St. Edward the Confessor Parish Choir, Bowie, MD
- * St. Mary Parish Choir, Rockville, MD
- * Holy Redeemer Parish Choir, College Park, MD
- * St. Andrew Apostle Parish Choir, Silver Spring, MD

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Wanted: Contemporary Choir Director, Our Lady of Perpetual Help (part-time, paid)

Candidate will direct one weekly contemporary choir rehearsal (8-10 members) and Sunday liturgy, and play for weekly school Mass Thursday am. Must be proficient in piano, working with singers and instrumentalists, and be familiar with a variety of musical styles. Approximately 12-15 hours per week with additional opportunities for funerals. Contact Music Director, Dana La Rosa, dlarosa@archbalt.org or 410-747-4334.