



Cantor Workshop

January 17, 2015

Holy Redeemer Church

College Park, MD

This winter's Cantor Workshop will be held in the Eastern part of the Archdiocese of Washington. It is designed for beginning cantors (just learning the skill); more experienced cantors (refining their skills); and for those who work with cantors (refreshing their expectations of cantor skills).

To the casual observer, a cantor is the person who stands up front; sometimes singing alone, sometimes leading the people in the pew. Casual observation does not do justice to the role!

Sing to the Lord, Music in Divine Worship, speaks first of the *Psalmist* or *cantor of the psalms*. In paragraph 35 it says, "Persons designated for the ministry of Psalmist should possess the ability for singing and a facility in correct pronunciation and diction". This is because they are proclaiming the Word, and should do so with "clarity, conviction, and sensitivity to the text, the musical setting, and those who are listening" (#35). The document continues to note that Cantors are vitally important if there is to be *full, conscious, active participation of the assembly* – a primary goal of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* of the Second Vatican Council. Effective cantors use modest gestures that invite participation and clearly indicate when the assembly is to begin.

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER



Reflect with me on Christ among us...

The eminent liturgical theologian John Baldovin once wrote, “the worshipping assembly is a group of baptized individuals honestly struggling to incarnate the Gospel in their lives.” This statement, in an already-but-not-yet fashion, communicates well the connection between our liturgical worship, our participation in the life of Christ, and our desire to be in and serve the world by being Christ in the world. This is an apt reflection for our ongoing celebration of Christmas-time, as we continue to contemplate the coming of Christ – Christ who is already-but-not-yet fully present, a presence for which we still pray and yearn. Yet to the extent that we, members of the Body, are Christ to the world, showing in our lives and choices both our love for the marginalized, the unfashionable and the resource-less, and in our stewardship of creation, Christ is already here. Our worship propels our lives to say: Marana tha – come, Lord! Move us to be more fully your Body “for the life of the world.”

Become a member of NPM National...

Friends, I encourage you to join NPM at the national level! National membership includes a subscription to Pastoral Music, a bi-monthly journal that is truly essential to functioning pastoral musicians. You also receive a weekly newsletter and deep discounts to NPM events such as the annual convention, webinars and other workshops. Your national membership also supports the vital work of NPM. There are reduced membership rates for youth and seniors!! Go to www.npm.org for more info. If you've never been a national member, this is a

perfect time to try it out – treat yourself to being connected in a new way to an amazing organization working to “foster the art of musical liturgy.”

And finally, some news from the Arlington Chapter Board...

The Arlington Board thanks Susan Trainor for her years of service on the Board, most recently as Membership Coordinator, handling intake and processing of membership materials, keeping our member role up to date, and managing email communication with you our members. For the last several years, Susan also coordinated, for both our chapter and the DC chapter, the discount group registration for annual national conventions. All these tasks take time, organization and constant attention, and we really thank Susan for her faithful stewardship of this responsibilities!

Board members E.J. Cochran and Tim Lewicki will now be sharing the Arlington Membership responsibilities, with E.J. (ejcochran@aol.com) receiving your chapter membership renewals and questions about chapter membership. Thank you E.J. and Tim!!

Send Arlington Chapter Membership Renewals to:

E.J. Cochran
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
12975 Purcell Road
Manassas, VA 20112

*David Mathers,
Director, Arlington, VA Chapter*

Registration for Cantor Workshop

Saturday, January 17, 2015

9:00am - 12:30pm

Holy Redeemer Church

4902 Berwyn Road

College Park, MD

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

(Please make checks payable to NPM/DC.)

To receive individual attention, participants should bring two copies of a psalm.



Name _____

E-mail (please print)_____

Address _____

Parish _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

If you wish to register for another person(s), please list the name(s) and email addresses below

Mail this form with the appropriate fee to:

NPM/DC - 10406 Barrie Avenue - Silver Spring, MD 20902

Questions? Please call the DC Chapter Director at 301-384-5796

Annual Gathering of the Pastoral Musicians of Southern Maryland

Saturday, January 24, 11:30am - 2:30pm

Ann Duchesne's home on Breton Bay

Topic: Sacraments and Song

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2015 marks the 11th year that Musicians of Southern Maryland have gathered at the Duchesne Home at the end of January.

This year we'll consider the importance of music in the celebration of Sacraments and other liturgies, especially funerals.

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As always, Ann will prepare a delicious lunch, and there is no fee.

Please call Ann (301-475-6915) by January 19 for directions.

There is no official registration for this gathering, but your call tells her how many are coming.

*If you can, borrow a copy of your parish's hymnal or other worship aid for the afternoon.

MUSICIAN AVAILABLE

Beginning January 2015, Julia Atwood is available as a substitute or part-time cantor, soprano soloist, choral director, or organist for weekend Masses and evening rehearsals.

Mrs. Atwood is currently taking a break from full-time music ministry after serving as the Director of Music at St. Veronica Catholic Church in Chantilly, Virginia for the past six years. Bio and audio portfolio are available at

atwoodmusic.wordpress.com/about/

Contact: 703-659-5816
j.e.atwood@gmail.com

MUSICIAN NEEDED

St. Raphael Catholic Church in Rockville (Maryland) has a large Spanish community which celebrates a vibrant Liturgy each Sunday at 1:00 p.m. The community recently lost its choir director and is actively seeking a replacement.

If you or someone you know would be interested, please contact:

Ms. Luisa Duarte

lduarte@straphaels.org

240-864-2565

Annual Shrove Tuesday Lunch

**February 17, 2015 at 12 noon
at Brion's Grille in Fairfax, VA**

Join us for this annual tradition as Washington, DC and Arlington Chapter members and friends celebrate the end of Ordinary Time one last time before Lent starts! Cost is \$15, and includes a truly great lunch buffet (plus delightful desserts), beverage, tax and gratuity.

For head-count purposes, please email Arlington board member Bob Malinowski at bob.malinowski@verizon.net if you plan to attend.

Brion's Grille – at 10621 Braddock Rd. in Fairfax – is in the University Mall shopping center, near the intersection of Braddock Rd. and Rt. 123 and across the Braddock Rd. from George Mason University. It's less than 10 minutes from the Braddock Rd. West exit off the I-495 Beltway.

For more information about Brion's and for more and for more detailed directions, go to www.brionsgrille.com.



Upcoming Concert Opportunities

January 9, Friday, 7:30p.m. • Blessed Sacrament Catholic Community

1427 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA. Information: 703-998-6100 ext 103

L'Enfance du Christ - The Infancy of Christ, Berlioz's only sacred oratorio, will be performed by Blessed Sacrament's combined choirs and Festival Orchestra, with soprano Sally Monson, tenor Phil Pickens, and bass Joshua Hong. Admission is free; donations support the concert series.

January 24, Saturday, 7:00p.m. • St. Rose of Lima Church

11701 Clopper Rd. Gaithersburg, MD. Information: rbauer@strose.com

Come see Sarah Hart in concert at St. Rose. An offering will be accepted at the door. Food will be available for purchase prior to the concert. Contact Remi Bauer for more info.

Lenten Retreat for Pastoral Musicians with Sr. Honora Warner, OP



Saturday, February 21, 9am - 2:30pm
Theological College (at CUA)
401 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington DC

Sr. Honora is Associate Professor of Homiletics and Director of the Doctor of Ministry in Preaching Program at the Aquinas Institute of Theology. She is well-known as a leader of reflection days and retreats, and has given many talks and keynotes, including a plenum address at the 2014 NPM Convention on “Vatican II and the Church as Bearer of Good News.” In addition to a DMin in Preaching, Sr. Honora holds degrees in Scripture, History, and Music, including an MM from CUA. As the Convention brochure noted last Summer, Sr. Honora “did” pastoral music in parishes and schools for many years.

Faculty bio: <http://www.ai.edu/AboutUs/FacultyandAdministration/FacultyBios/HonoraWernerOP.aspx>

Please use the form below to register by February 13. For information: 301-384-5796.

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Registration for the Annual NPM/DC Retreat – February 21, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone number(s) _____

Address _____

Parish _____

_____ \$20/chapter (DC or Arlington) member - Lunch is included

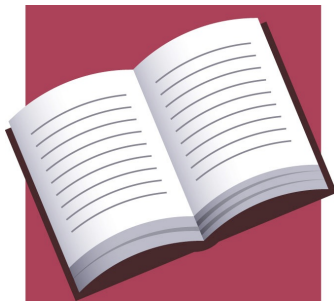
_____ \$25/non-member - Lunch is included

If you wish to register others, please provide name(s) and email address(es) on the back of this form or on a separate sheet.

**Mail this form with the appropriate fee (check payable to NPM/DC) to:
NPM/DC, 10406 Barrie Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20902**

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 james.wickman "at" [georgetown.edu](mailto:james.wickman@georgetown.edu)



2015 Calendar

January 17
Cantor Workshop
Holy Redeemer, College Park, MD

January 24
Annual Gathering of Southern Maryland Musicians
Breton Bay, Leonardtown, MD

February 17
Annual Shrove Tuesday Lunch, Arlington
Brion's Grille, Fairfax, VA

February 21
Lent Retreat with Sr. Honora Werner, O.P.
Theological College, Washington, DC

March 14
Choral Workshop with Michael Kemp
Our Lady of Mercy Church, Potomac, MD

Want to become a member of NPM National?

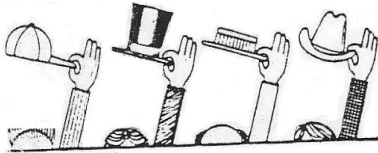
There is a membership drive happening right now for the National Membership in NPM. Please join if you are not already a member. See this link for more information:

<https://www.npm.org/member2.html>

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

HATS OFF!



The following choirs have provided 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 TV each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

- St. Stephen Martyr Catholic Church Choir, Washington, DC
- Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Choir, Bethesda, MD
- St. Bartholomew Parish Choir, Bethesda, MD
- St. Leo the Great Parish Choir, Fairfax, VA
- St. Leo the Great Children's Choir provided the music for Mass on Christmas.

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 Members of the Board - Arlington, VA and Washington, DC

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