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Mission Statement

To deepen the spiritual life of each pastoral musician, encourage social interaction among pastoral musicians, provide an educational forum on current issues affecting musical practices in the parish, both for the musician and the clergy, and improve the musical skills of all those involved in music ministry.

From the Director

Here it is the Easter Season. The biggest week in the church year behind us yet it's a busy time with First Communions, weddings and the regular liturgical events in a parish. I hope everyone will find time for some much needed and deserved rest.

The NPM Board continues to work on the calendar of events we can offer. Some of the discussions have included some sort of gathering just for some fun and fellowship - an opportunity to meet and talk with other musicians from around the Archdiocese of Detroit. We also have talked about trying to offer events in all four regions of the Archdiocese. Of course, we will continue to offer things at what we refer to as "centrally inconvenient" locations, such as the Cathedral and Sacred Heart Major Seminary. A big "thank you" to all those who have attended recent events. The evaluations that we have received have been very positive. We are open to suggestions for future events.

In this newsletter are details of our upcoming events. We hope you will find something of interest to you. I would like to recommend the day of reflection at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center in northwest Detroit/Redford. It is easy to get to (right off of I-96), but more importantly, those who attended the last one (including myself) found it an enriching experience. It is important to take some time out for ourselves to be refreshed and enriched spiritually.

So, keep an eye on our website: NPMDetroit.org as we continue work on our calendar. I hope to see many of you at the National Convention in Pittsburgh in July. Details are on the national website: NPM.org One of the nice things they have started doing in their brochure for the convention is indicating to whom the break-out sessions are aimed. This is very helpful and I would like to point out that there are sessions aimed at "Clergy". As in years past, those who attend the convention are invited to join other Detroit chapter members for dinner. Details will be on the convention bulletin board with time and place for our gathering.

God bless!

Mary Roesch

It's NPM Detroit Membership Renewal Time !!!

Enclosed with this newsletter is our Chapter Membership Application. NPM Detroit Annual Dues are \$15 for individuals and \$45 for parish membership with events open to all members. Checks should be made payable to **Detroit Chapter -NPM**. Dues may be remitted through our web-site: www.npmdetroit.org using PayPal and a major credit card. Questions? Contact Andy Langlands at 586-899-1039 or by email: andy.langlands@stregis.org. NPM Detroit chapter membership and national NPM membership are handled separately. Renew/join today! The membership fee is for June 2012 through June 2013.

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NPM National Convention July 23-27, 2012

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

'Renew the Face of the Earth'

If you are planning to attend join us for Dinner Tuesday. Be sure to check the announcement board for more details. Hope to see you at the Convention!!

2012-2013 Chapter Events

Mark your Calendar, Save the Date, Plan to Attend

these up-coming events organized by
The Detroit Chapter of the
National Association of Pastoral Musicians

Sing Unto the Lord Day of Reflection

Join other musicians as we retreat, rest, reflect and get reenergized for the year ahead.

Sunday, September 9, 2012

3:00—7:00 PM

St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit MI 48223
Members: \$25 Non-Members: \$40



Book Review of Announcing the Feast

Author: Jason McFarland / Sponsored by Archdiocese of Detroit and

NPM Detroit Chapter

Saturday, September 22, 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Sacred Heart Major Seminary

Presenter: Paul Ford

Saint Cecelia Festival at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

Pueri Cantores

Saturday, November 17th

St. Cecelia Sing

Sunday, November 18 3:00 PM

Parish Choirs are invited to come and perform at the Cathedral. It is limited to the first 10 choirs to sign up. Cost: **\$10.00 per choir**

At the event a free will donation will be taken.

Vocal Tech II—Sight singing

Presenter: Deborah Fronczak

St. Isidore, 18201 23 Mile Road, Macomb, MI

January 26, 2013 9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Members: \$15 Non-Members: \$25

This workshop is for choirs and cantors. Consider bringing your whole choir for a group discount. Contact NPM Detroit for more information.

NPM Detroit Members

Encouraging/Assisting Other NPM Members

Any NPM Detroit member hosting or sponsoring a musical or liturgical event in your parish or vicariate is welcome to 'get the word out' with a short announcement on our Chapter Website. Give the complete details to any NPM Detroit Board member and we can help with publicity. It's one more benefit to NPM Chapter Membership - helping other NPM members.