



NEWSLETTER

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NPM Arlington and NPM DC Welcome Bishop-Designate Michael F. Burbidge as the Fourth Bishop of Arlington

Bishop Burbidge will be installed as Bishop of Arlington on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at a Celebration of the Eucharist at St. Thomas More Cathedral in Arlington.



For more information, please see the Arlington Diocese [website](#). Please pray for both current Bishop Paul Loverde and his successor during this time of transition.

Welcome Bishop Burbidge!



Look through this edition for information about:

- the tales of another traveling Chapter Director (pg. 2)
- clergy and musician appreciation evening - registration deadline is **November 1!** (pg. 3)
- 2016 **Liturgy Day**: a morning about the newly revised Rite of Celebrating Marriage (pg. 4)

Director's Corner

While Arlington Chapter Director Gene Harper was visiting Hawaii in mid-September, I was touring the southeast coast of the U.S. (yes, the same tragic path of Hurricane Matthew). As usual, I visited churches whenever possible, and as usual, checked out the hymnals, bulletins, etc., looking for evidence that liturgical music was alive and well in the parishes.

I was especially happy with the strength of assembly singing at the Saturday evening Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Savannah, GA. There were hymnals in the pews, yet every piece of music, including all the parts of the Eucharistic Prayer, were printed on pages two & three of the bulletin. (It was Steven Janco's *Mass of Wisdom*, in case you're wondering.) Before Mass the cantor called our attention to those pages and encouraged our participation.

Researchers tell us that people, especially young people, are looking for good liturgy, good homilies, good music, and community. Much of the liturgical planning is beyond the control of musicians, but the challenge of providing good music is ours! There was a time when good church music meant wonderful choirs, accomplished soloists and accompanists, and discerning choices of music. While all of that is still

important and provides goals to which we all aspire, it's no longer enough.

The Second Vatican Council document *Sacrosanctum Concilium* clearly states that all the members of the assembly have clear and prominent roles to play in celebrating liturgy. Participation in spoken

responses during Mass is usually pretty strong. Sung responses? Well – let's just say it varies. Helping people to feel comfortable singing in church is harder than just doing it ourselves, but that is the role of pastoral musicians. It is important and we should take pride in it.

Which leads me to the **November 7** event to be held at the Archdiocese

of Washington's Pastoral Center. The **Clergy-Musician Appreciation Night**, co-sponsored by the Archdiocese and the NPM/DC Chapter, is a party celebrating the role pastoral musicians play in parish life. Participants will be recognized for their length of service, re-commit to the ministry, and spend time meeting and sharing with musicians from other parishes. It should be a great night!

Peace,
Charlene Dorrian
Director, DC Chapter



Congratulations!



Mr. **THOMAS STEHLE**, longtime NPM member and director of music and Liturgy at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington, DC, [and NPM/DC Board Member!] was one of several recipients of the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* Medal at a Mass on September 23. The Mass, celebrated at Washington's Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, commemorated the anniversary of Pope Francis' celebration of Mass at that site during his pastoral visit to the United States in 2015. Mr. Stehle was also the music director for Mass during Pope Benedict XVI's visit to Washington in 2008. The *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* Medal is given for distinguished service to the Church by lay people and clergy. It is the highest medal that can be awarded to the laity by the Pope. *Congratulations, Tom!*



CLERGY and PASTORAL MUSICIAN APPRECIATION NIGHT

Co-hosted by **The Archdiocese of Washington** and the
DC Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians

Monday, November 7, 2016

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Archdiocese of Washington Pastoral Center, 5001 Eastern Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20782



Join your friends, old and new, as we gather in prayer and community for an evening celebrating the dedication to service of the priests and pastoral musicians of the archdiocese.

Free! (reservations are required)

Contact Maria Hamm at liturgy@adw.org or 301-853-4594
by Tuesday, November 1 to reserve your seat!

About the National Association of Pastoral Musicians

The National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) was founded 40 years ago to foster the art of musical liturgy. The National Office serves musicians, clergy, liturgists, and other leaders of prayer through an annual convention, multiple institutes, the Pastoral Music magazine, and its website, www.npm.org.

The local chapter offers a variety of workshops, retreats and monthly newsletters.

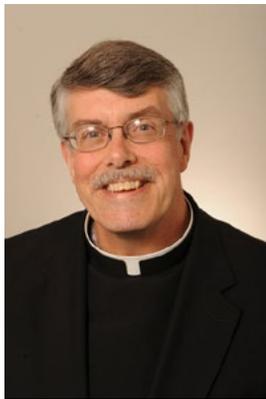
For more information, visit www.npmdc.org.

LITURGY DAY 2016

Saturday, November 12, 2016 • 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Cathedral of St. Thomas More
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA 22203

Keynote Address:

The Revised Rite of Celebrating Marriage



Rev. Michael Witczak is an associate professor of liturgical studies at the Catholic University of America and specializes in the history and theology of Eucharistic celebration, sacramental liturgy, history of liturgy, and liturgical celebration of the saints. Fr. Witczak will walk us through the revisions to the Rite of Celebrating Marriage, and discuss its theological and liturgical implications.

For more information, contact us at:
npmarlington@gmail.com



MARRIAGE IN CHRIST
 MATRIMONIO EN CRISTO

Schedule

- 9:00 AM Registration
- 9:30 AM Morning Prayer
- 9:50 AM Keynote Address - Rev. Michael Witczak
- 11:00 AM Panel Discussion
- 12:30 PM Closing

Registration Form for Liturgy Day 2016

November 12, 2016 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM - Cathedral of St. Thomas More

Arlington or DC NPM Chapter Members or for those from a parish with Parish Chapter Membership - \$10.

Groups of 5 or more from a single Member Parish - \$8 per person. Non-chapter members - \$15. On-Site registration welcome.

*Send fee along with form below. Deadline is **November 5**. You will receive confirmation.*

Name _____

E-mail (please print) _____ Phone _____

Parish _____

Address _____

*Mail this form with payment to: **Bob Malinowski, 7920 Lobelia Ln., Springfield, VA 22152***

SEPTEMBER CANTOR WORKSHOP

If the evening workshop of September 26 was any indication, the role of cantor is in good hands. Seventeen men and women came to St. Patrick's Church in Rockville, MD for an intense session, led by Tom Stehle and Henry Bauer. They ranged from beginners to experienced cantors, and exhibited a level of dedication that was inspiring. (One participant requested that the next workshop be an all-day event.)

The basics of effective singing, the specific skills required of cantors and psalmists, the necessary preparations to be taken before every liturgy, the tools for evaluating one's effectiveness as a cantor – all were covered in the first half of the workshop. Participants who requested personal attention then came forward to be critiqued. It was a positive experience for them and for those observing.



There can be no doubt that assemblies respond to good leadership, and cantors, who are welcoming and encouraging, are invaluable. The parishes represented at that workshop are fortunate, indeed.

Thanks to All Who Paid Their Chapter Dues!

Your membership keeps our chapters alive. Haven't signed-up/renewed yet? It's never too late. Just go to our websites: NPMarlington.org or NPMDC.org. Contact a member of either the DC or Arlington Boards (details on the last page of the newsletter and on the chapters' websites).

2016- 2017 CALENDAR of EVENTS

November 7, 2016 7:00 - 9:00 PM
Evening of Appreciation for Clergy and Musicians of the Washington Archdiocese
Pastoral Center, Hyattsville, MD

November 12, 2016 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Liturgy Day
 Explore the new Marriage Rite and update your wedding repertoire! Presentations by Fr. Michael Witczak from the Catholic University of America and a panel of musicians discussing best practices for wedding music - new and old!
 (Joint Arlington/DC)
Saint Thomas More Cathedral, Arlington, VA

February 4, 2017 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
African-American Sacred Music (DC)
 A continuation of the February 2016 workshop, with breakouts for pianists and singers.
Saint Camillus Church, Silver Spring, MD

March 4, 2017
DC Annual Retreat
Saint Anselm Abbey, Washington, DC

March 14, 2017
An Evening with John C. Walker, past president of AGO (Co-Sponsored by NPM Arlington and NOVA AGO)
Saint Thomas More Cathedral, Arlington, VA

April 1, 2017 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM
Children's Choir Event with Dr. Tom Shelton, President of ACDA and professor at Westminster Choir College.
 (Joint Arlington/DC)
Our Lady of Mercy Church, Potomac, MD

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 13, 2016 4:00 PM
Beau Soir Ensemble
Church of the Little Flower
 5607 Massachusetts Ave., Bethesda, MD
www.lfparish.org/concert-series • 301-320-4538

The Beau Soir Ensemble is a flute, viola, and harp trio dedicated to the performance of standard and contemporary repertoire spanning a variety of genres. They look forward to returning to Little Flower Church to perform an eclectic program of music that covers many different countries and styles. Beau Soir Ensemble will perform music by French composers Ravel and Dubois, Greek composer Papastavro, Hollywood composer Don Davis and other fantastic selections.



Tuesday, November 15, 2016 7:00 PM
Organ Recital
Saint Theresa Catholic Church
 21371 Saint Theresa's Lane, Ashburn, VA
www.novaago.org • www.sainttheresaparish.com

NOVA American Guild of Organists presents its annual Chapter Members Recital. The organ is a 3 manual, Gress-Miles which was originally housed in St. John's Episcopal, Lafayette Square. It was rebuilt, revoiced, and re-scaled by Lively-Fulcher. All are welcome.

To submit a job posting or classified, please send the information, formatted as seen on this page, to Claire Caruso (clmcaruso@gmail.com) or Tim Lewicki (tlewicki@allsaintsva.org) by the 15th of the month for the following newsletter (i.e. by August 15 for the September newsletter). Please let us know when the position has been filled or you items have been sold/donated. Thank you.

Sacred Music at All Saints Concert Series



SAINT CECILIA SING:
HYMNS, PSALMS, AND SPIRITUAL SONGS
IN HONOR OF THE PATRON SAINT OF MUSIC

Join the All Saints Parish Choir, Contemporary Choir, and choirs from area churches for an evening of music and scripture to honor the patron saint of music. Music for brass, organ, choir and assembly. Join us as we sing and pray together at the end of the Year of Mercy.

Friday, November 18, 2016

7:30 PM

All events are free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken to support current and future programming for this annual concert series.



All Saints Catholic Church • Office of Music and Liturgy • 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas, VA • WWW.ALLSAINTSVA.ORG • 703-393-2146

GIVE US YOUR PEACE OPEN MY EYES, LORD SING OF MARY

Jesse Manibusan



In Concert

Please join us for an evening of music and fellowship as Jesse Manibusan entertains and challenges us with his delightful story-telling and beautiful music.

Saint Rose of Lima (in the church)
11701 Clopper Rd.
Gaithersburg MD 20878

Friday, November 4th, 7:00 PM

A free will offering will be accepted at the door.
All are welcome.

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ACCOMPANIST/ORGANIST/PIANIST
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church
8601 Wolftrap Road
Vienna, VA 22182
email: music@olgcv.org
website: www.olgcv.org

OLGC Church in Vienna is seeking someone to accompany the singing at the 8:00 am (cantored) and 11:15 am (choir) Sunday Masses, as well as important feasts, holy days, etc. Requirements: excellent organ/piano skills; understanding of the difference between playing the instrument and accompanying singing; ability to take direction from choir director. Must be familiar with and comfortable playing both traditional and contemporary repertoire.

Please send resume to:
Patrice Roe, Director of Music Ministries
music@olgcv.org (preferred)
Our Lady of Good Counsel
8601 Wolftrap Rd, Vienna, VA 22182



NPM Arlington and the Diocese of Arlington hosted an **InstitutoOCP** on Saturday, October 15. More than 60 Spanish-speaking musicians from across the diocese gathered to improve their skills and learn from the three presenters, Jessica Marie Tous, Santiago Fernandez, and Ivan Diaz.

Hats Off!

The following choirs have provided music for the TV Mass for Shut-ins recently. Mass is celebrated in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, and broadcast on WDCW-TV (DCW50) each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Check your local cable or satellite provider's listings.

- St. Joseph Parish Choir, Herndon, VA
- Holy Rosary Italian Church Choir, Washington, DC
- St. Edward the Confessor Parish Choir, Bowie, MD



A PRAYER TO SAINT CECILIA



O glorious saint, who chose to die
 Instead of denying your King.
 We pray you please to help us
 As His fair praise we sing!

We lift our hearts in joyous song
 To honor Him this way,
 And while we sing, remembering,
 To sing is to doubly pray.

At once in our hearts and in our tongues
 We offer double prayer
 Sent heavenward on winged notes
 To praise God dwelling there.

While in our hearts and tongues we try
 With song to praise God twice,
 We ask dear saint, to help us be
 United closed to Christ!



<http://www.saintcecilia.us>

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