

JOB LISTING: St Dominic Church Principal Organist
Accepting applications (now). Desired start-work: August 2020

Interested candidate should contact the St Dominic Parish Director of Music, Liturgy and Liturgical Ministries for additional information (interested candidates will assist the process by including their résumé and two professional references/contacts with the initial contact message).

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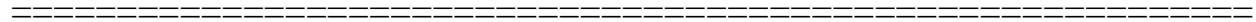
Summary: The Principal Organist directly supports the Director of Music / Choir Director and works in a collegial manner with all other Liturgical Ministers. The Principal Organist will typically serve as primary accompanist/instrumentalist for three designated weekend liturgies as well as scheduled Holy Day, Feast Day and special event liturgies and music ministry rehearsals as scheduled. The Principal Organist will generally be offered the opportunity to provide support for Weddings and Funerals on an as available basis when organ repertoire is requested and as coordinated by the Director of Music. Nominally, the anticipated level of effort related to supporting the weekend/weekday liturgies and rehearsals is ten-to-twelve hours per week which includes individual rehearsal/practice time (which is a personal and professional responsibility).

1. For the typical weekend mass, arrival time is scheduled 30-45 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the liturgy (or as coordinated with the Director of Music) to support vocal warm-up, cantor and/or choir music review.
2. Generally, the Roosevelt Organ is used for Preludes, and the Gathering Rites, Recessionals and Postlude Music.
 - a. The Principal Organist will typically select and prepare appropriate prelude and postlude selections. With the exception of the Season of Lent, Prelude and Postlude music is a normal musical element of most Liturgies. If specific prelude or postlude music is needed/requested for the liturgy, the Director of Music will provide as much advance notice as possible.
 - b. Mass responses and music used for Preparation of the Gifts and Communion Songs, Psalms, and Canticles are also typically accompanied on the Roosevelt Organ, but when liturgically/musically sensible, the sanctuary piano or Moeller Organ may be used (unless instrumentation is specifically assigned by the Director of Music).
3. The Principal Organist will usually be offered the opportunity to provide support for Weddings and Funerals when organ repertoire is requested and as coordinated by the Director of Music. Barring a direct request by the involved family (families), the Principal Organist is provided “first acceptance/declination” as accompanist/instrumentalist in support of scheduled weddings and funerals.

The following list of Liturgies is typical for a calendar year as based on parish history. This typical calendar does not take into account the recent COVID19/pandemic disruptions to normal liturgical schedules. NOTE: THE NUMBER OF SERVICES IS NOT GUARANTEED.

Financial compensation will be offered based on experience and number of services performed. Specific compensation information will be shared/negotiated with interviewed candidates.

Event/Tasks	Estimated Number of compensated Events on an Annual Basis
Weekend mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, 5:00 p.m. (warm-up at 4:30 p.m.) • Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (warm-up at 7:35 a.m.) • Sunday, 10:30 a.m. (warm-up at 9:45 a.m.) 	150 (based on a 50-week work year with two weeks scheduled off)
Weeknight Rehearsals (7:00 p.m.) As scheduled by the Director of Music (usually Wednesday and/or Thursday)	12-16
Weddings (as scheduled)	12-18
Funerals (as scheduled)	8-10
Holy Day (Triduum, Special Event Masses, etc.) and other Liturgies	16
Weekday noon mass (Holy Days of Obligation and Special Feasts as scheduled)	15



Roosevelt Organ information: <http://www.stdominicchurch.org/roosevelt-organ.html>