



The Parish Musician

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Department for Worship

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National Association of Pastoral Musicians, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15205-4227

Opening Meeting Friday, September 25

Mass and dinner at St. John Neumann, Franklin Park
Jessica Baier Bucci, host

6:30 - Mass, Fr. Albin McGinnis, celebrant, & concelebrants

7:30 - Dinner, catered by Roma Italia,

Appetizers - Wine, Vegetables and Dip, Cheese and Fruit,
Bruschetta

Dinner Menu: Roma Chicken (lightly breaded and seasoned
baked boneless chicken breast), penne pasta with marinara
or alfredo sauce, grilled mixed vegetables, tossed salad with
house dressing, rolls, butter, coffee, tea, water, and cake.

Price: \$20.00 per person. Reservation due by Thursday,
September 17, **call or e-mail Shari Whitico,**

shariwhitico@gmail.com, or 724-766-6012.

8:30 - Social, Kevin Maurer is concocting an ice breaker that
should prove to be a lot of fun! Don't miss this!

*In the past we have had a lot of trouble with people registering
for dinner and then not showing. If you make a reservation
you must pay for your dinner. Call Shari if extenuating cir-
cumstances.*

2015-2016 Program Year

Monday, November 16

Workshop on consolidating parishes and forming new team min-
istries

St. James, Sewickley

Lou Valenzi, host

Presenter to be announced

7:30 PM

Monday, March 7

Option night, Hispanic ministry and a talk on Ritual concerns
Ss Simon & Jude

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Upcoming Events

- Aug 23..... Sunday 4:00 PM..... Anthony Williams of Fisk University, Nashville, Music of Buxtehude, Volger, Bach, Pinkham, Simpson, and Liszt. St. Paul Cathedral Concert Series, 4459 Fifth Avenue, 15213.
- Aug 30..... Sunday 3:00 PM..... Music Plus, the concert series at St. James in Sewickley, presents Andres Cardenes and Gretchen Van Hoesen in "The Ultimate Duo: Violin and Harp". These two megastars will combine talent in rarely heard music written for the two instruments. 2:30 Preconcert: young singing sensation Ava Maha. Free-will offering, reception follows. 200 Walnut Street, Sewickley, PA 15143 www.stjamesmusic.org
- Aug 30..... Sunday 4:00 PM..... Alastair Stout of Coraopolis United Methodist Church, and, The Compline Choir of Pittsburgh, Music of Stout, Alain, Part, and Wills. St. Paul Cathedral Concert Series, 4459 Fifth Avenue, 15213.
- Sept 13..... Sunday 2:30 PM..... Dan Schutte, An event of song and reflection in prayerful celebration of consecrated life. Chapel of the Sisters of St. Joseph, 1020 State Street, Baden PA , 15005. Please pre-register by September 4th at www.bit.ly/DanSchutte or contact Sister Norma Zanieski at 724-869-6526 or nzanieski@stjoseph-baden.org Free-will offering.
- Sept 13..... Sunday 3:00 PM..... Music Plus, the concert series at St. James in Sewickley, presents "A Tribute to Mr. Lou Valenzi" or "A Musical Rev-LOU (revue)" as presented by the Sewickley Area Theatre Company in honor of Valenzi, a member of their Advisory Board. 2:30 Preconcert: Woodwinds of Pittsburgh Youth Philharmonic, Deb Silverstein, Director. Free-will offering, reception follows. 200 Walnut Street, Sewickley, PA 15143 www.stjamesmusic.org
- Sept 26..... Saturday 7:30 PM..... Violin and Organ Concert, Frank Ferguson, violin, George Pecoraro, organ. St. Mary of Czestochowa Church, New Kensington, Featuring Chaconne by Vitali, and Air on a G-String by J. S. Bach, no admission charge. Free-will offering taken.

Program Year, Continued

Richard Moser, host
 Hispanic Presenter to be announced
 Fr. Jim Gretz presenters
 Ritual concern topic to be announced
 7:30 PM

Monday, May 16 or 23

Hymn Festival
 Assumption Parish, Bellevue
 Neil Stahurski, host
 7:30 PM

date not definitely set at this time as Assumption is in the midst of an organ restoration and completion is uncertain.

Hymn Festival Leader, Bela Pater

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

O/D—St. Wendelin/St. Basil, Carrick neighborhood of Pittsburgh. Part time position for 8:00 Sunday at St. Wendelin and 4:00 PM Saturday & 10:30 AM Sunday at St. Basil. Ample weddings and funerals. Please contact Fr. Steve Kresak at 412-882-9763.

O/D—Mount St Peter, New Kensington. 100 Freeport Road, New Kensington, PA 15068, www.mountsaintpeter.org. Full time music director needed for active 2000 family parish. Applicant should be highly qualified and energetic with a BA and 5+ years of experience in a parish setting preferred. Must have a thorough understanding of Vatican II liturgy and strong organ, piano, choral conducting and improvisation skills. Must be able to re-

late well with volunteers and professional musicians, possess strong “people” skills and organizational skills. Responsibilities include 3 weekend liturgies, sacramental celebrations, adult and Resurrection choirs, oversight of all parish liturgical ministries, working collaboratively with parish staff and lay leadership to manage and grow a vibrant program. Salary / benefits commensurate with experience. Position available immediately. Send letter of interest, resume, salary requirements and 2 letters of reference to Search Committee, c/o Bill Staniszewski at the above address or e-mail to wstaniszewski@dioceseofgreensburg.org

O/D—St. Benedict the Abbot, Peters Twp. Director of Music Ministry St. Benedict the Abbot Parish, McMurray, PA. Position: Part-time (32 hours, with benefits) Responsibilities: Provide and organize music accompaniment for: Mass - 1 Saturday & 3 Sunday, Holy days, Liturgical Feasts & other major celebrations, per pastor’s request. Funerals and weddings (with stipend in addition to salary) Foster an inclusive environment for music ministry (all are welcome to participate) Align and continually develop the music ministry within the parish’s overall mission of evangelization. Work with Pastoral and Finance Councils on parish initiatives and budget planning. Integrate the music program with the parish’s Faith Formation program. Additional responsibilities include but are not limited to planning music, training cantors, recruiting for and directing our existing choirs (contemporary, traditional, bell, children’s choir). Qualifications: Is personable, welcoming, and an effective communicator (both written and orally) with proven ability to lead teams/volunteers, Firm understanding of the Liturgy, Must collaborate with clergy, Faith Formation & laity in cross-functional team to obtain growth objectives, Proficient musician – piano, organ, vocals, Salary according to diocesan pay scale, The ideal candidate will be a joy-filled and well-formed individual, who will share his/her enthusiasm for the future of our parish and the Church. St. Benedict the Abbot Parish is a forward-looking parish which embraces the New Evangelization and we are looking for staff that embrace the opportunities and challenges that come with it. Bring us your vision and your passion for your faith and for music. We will bring you a very large, vibrant parish and fellow staff members that share the same mission and vision for the future. Send resume, along with three letters of recommendation, Act 33/34, DPW clearances and Diocesan Safe Environment to: Fr. Robert M. Miller, Pastor, St. Benedict the Abbot Parish, 120 Abington Drive, McMurray, PA 15317 or E-Mail: fr.bob@sbapeters.org.

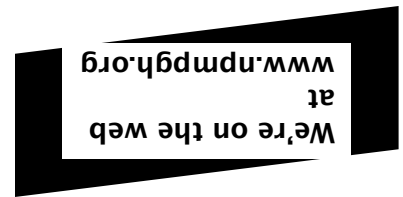
Manager—The Bach Choir of Pittsburgh, an innovative choral organization begun in 1934, seeks a multi-faceted, creative, problem solving individual to serve as Operations Manager. This is a part time (approx. 20 hours/wk.) position responsible for coordinating, organizing and completing numerous details relating to office operations and concert venue management. The successful applicant will report directly to the Managing Director and will also work closely with the Artistic Director. Primary responsibilities: Specific priorities in this position include, but are not limited to: Managing donor database, Designing and constructing concert program books, Coordinating load-in and load-out of equipment at concert venues, Tracking bank deposits, Coordinating program ad sales and trades, Designing program advertisements, Managing ticket sales and front of house activities at concerts, Coordinating aspects of annual BACHday Bash fundraiser. Skills required: The position needs someone familiar with database software, and experienced with MS Office and graphic design software. Hours are flexible and the position requires some evenings and weekends. Applicant should have his/her own automobile. How to apply: Interested parties should submit a resume and cover letter no later than August 1, 2015. Interviews will be scheduled shortly thereafter. The position will be expected to begin on or about August 17, 2015. More information at the following Craig’s List posting: <http://pittsburgh.craigslist.org/npo/5122461372.html>

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, Center Twp., Beaver County, seeks a part-time Director of Music. Responsibilities include providing music and leading sung participation for four weekend liturgies and holydays; directing adult choir; recruiting, training, and scheduling accompanists. Weddings and funerals can be an extra source of income. The candidate should be a practicing Catholic, have at least a bachelor's degree in music (experience as a pastoral musician may substitute for degree), have strong organ/piano and vocal skills, and have a familiarity with both traditional and contemporary liturgical music. Please email cover letter & résumé to Fr. Martin R. Bartel, OSB, at mbartel@diopitt.org.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Carnegie, Pennsylvania, is seeking a quarter-time **Assistant Director** of Music. Duties include, but are not limited to, accompanying the Parish Choir and Schola Cantorum, directing the choirs in the Director of Music’s absence, serving as organist for one weekend liturgy in addition to choral Masses, and completion of minor clerical tasks in the music office. The successful candidate should have demonstrable experience and education in organ and preferably also in voice and choral direction. The candidate should also have a demonstrable knowledge of Roman Catholic liturgy and liturgical music, including a familiarity with ecclesiastical Latin and Gregorian chant. Salary will be within American Guild of Organists guidelines. The position is open immediately. Resumés and inquiries should be sent to: Nicholas Will, Director of Music, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 330 Third Ave. Carnegie, PA 15106, music@seascarnegie.org

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7 Piece Tama Starclassic Drumset, 20" Bass Drum, 8", 9", 12", and 14" mounted Toms, 16" Floor Tom, 14" Snare, Zildjian Cymbals, 14" High hat, 16", 18", Medium Thin Crash, 21" Sweet Ride, Asking \$1,500, Please call Fr. Bill Dorner 412-523-6994



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Sisters of St. Joseph
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August 3, 2015

Dear Music Minister,

In celebration of the **Year of Consecrated Life**, the Sisters of St. Joseph are hosting an afternoon of **Song and Reflection** with Composer **Dan Schutte** on **Sunday, September 13, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Motherhouse Chapel in Baden.

As you know, Dan has been composing music for worship for more than 30 years. His more recent pieces exhibit an enduring ability to reach into people's hearts and draw them into prayer. He is one of the most prolific and influential composers of music for the liturgy today.

A reception will follow the September 13 event, which has been set aside as a world Day of Prayer for religious communities during the Year of Consecrated Life. There is no fee to attend but donations to the Sisters of St. Joseph will be accepted. To facilitate parking, please arrive at least 15 minutes early.

To register, visit www.bit.ly/DanSchutte or contact Sister Norma Zanieski at 724-869-6526 or nzanieski@stjoseph-baden.org. Please register by September 4, 2015. We hope that you can attend. We have planned the time of the prayer when we hope that most music ministers, cantors, and choir members will be available. We ask you to share this information and the attached flyer in your those who minister with you and with anyone else that you think might wish to attend this inspirational event. Thank you, and I hope that you can join us on September 13.

For information about this event, contact Barbara Hecht, Director of Communications, for the Sisters of St. Joseph, at (724) 869-6566 or email bhecht@stjoseph-baden.org.