



The Parish Musician

Diocese of Pittsburgh

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

OCP Reading Session

Monday, May 9, 2011

7:30 PM

St. Sebastian

311 Siebert Road

Pittsburgh PA 15237

(use this address for Google Maps and MapQuest)

Louis Canter will be in Pittsburgh to lead a reading session of OCP's newest offerings, concentrating on music for the New Roman Missal. A light social will follow.



Louis Canter

Louis is associate director of worship and coordinator of music ministries for the Archdiocese of Detroit.

A pastoral musician, organist and composer for over 30 years, he also teaches at Madonna University.

He has extensive experience working with multicultural communities and is a principal presenter for OCP's bilingual hymnal, One Faith, Una Voz.

Tommy Hoffman will be our host. OCP will have a display of many of their publications for purchase this evening.

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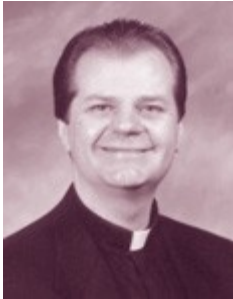
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And With You Spirit Seminar



GIA Publications is presenting choral reading sessions throughout the country featuring music from their upcoming new hymnals, new and revised mass settings, and choral anthems. The Pittsburgh choral reading session will be on **Monday, May 23 from 7:00-9:15 p.m. at St. Alexis Parish in Wexford**, and will be led by Fr. Jim Chepponis. You must register to attend, but it is free.

Register free online at
www.giamusic.com/AWYSeminars
 or call 1-800-GIA-1358

Calendar of Events

- May 1 Sunday 4:00 PM Organ Artists Series - **John Schwandt** at East Liberty Presbyterian Church in a mixed program to include silent movie accompaniment.
- May 9 Monday 7:30 PM Pittsburgh Chapter NPM Meeting, St. Sebastian, 311 Seibert Road, Pittsburgh PA, 15227, Tommy Hoffman, host. OCP reading workshop featuring new music of the Roman Missal Third Edition. **Louis Canter**, presenter.
- May 15 Sunday 3:00 PM 50th Jubilee Concert, St. Ferdinand Church, Cranberry Twp., PA 16066. Featuring music fitting for a sacred anniversary celebration performed by the combined music ministries of St. Ferdinand Parish. Admission is free; reception to follow. **Cindy Plazek**, director.
- May 16 Monday 7:30 PM "A Celebration of Spring: Music for Choir, Organ, Brass and Strings. Featuring the Adult Choir of Assumption Church, Bellevue, in a performance of John Rutter's Gloria and instrumental works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. **Dr. Neil Stahurski**, director. A free-will offering will be taken. Assumption Church, 45 N Sprague Ave, Pittsburgh 15202. For further details, please call 412-766-6660, ext. 310
- May 22 Sunday 4:00 PM Choral Festival, including Dvorak's Stabat Mater, performed by the Shadyside Chancel Choir and Choral Society - 2
- May 23 Sunday 7:00 PM And With Your Spirit Seminar, sponsored by GIA Publications. Reading session for new and revised music for the New Roman Missal led by **Fr. Jim Chepponis**. St. Alexis Parish, Wexford. Register at: www.giamusic.com/AWYSeminars or call 1-800-GIA-1358
- May 23-27 Gregorian Chant Workshop, **Fr. Stephen Concordia**, OSB, St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe. To receive a course brochure contact Fr. Stephen at: stephen.concordia@stvincent.edu

New Roman Missal

On Monday, July 25, 7:30 PM, at St. Margaret's in Greentree, Fr. Jim Chepponis will present an evening for diocesan musicians addressing the upcoming changes in the Roman Missal. Fr. Jim will give a brief overview of the new text and how they will affect the musicians and then present one new Mass setting from each of the major publishers, and the chant setting from the Sacramentary. The Mass settings chosen will be newly composed and be compositions that are versatile, adaptable and will hopefully be of use to all, whether working with a large budget and a cast of thousands or just an organist and a cantor. More details on this meeting will follow in the next month or so. Kevin Maurer will be our host.

In grateful appreciation, the NPM Pittsburgh chapter, extends kudos, admiration and thanks to David Dreher for his work as Assistant Director for Recruitment these past two years. David's behind the scenes toiling and constant striving for excellent liturgy and prayerful music have been an inspiration to everyone, during these past 24 months, and throughout his long career in the Pittsburgh Diocese. Continue in your ministry, David.

Positions Available

Marion Manor Corporation, 2695 Winchester Drive, **Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania** 15220, Position Title: Organist – Part Time. Seek candidates for position of Organist. Previous experience as organist in a parish setting. Will perform at 11:00 am Sunday mass at Marian Manor. Interested individuals should contact Sr. Christina Marie Janusek, SHS by email at cmjanusek@vcs.org or by calling 412-440-4304.

St. Maurice Parish, Forest Hills - Pittsburgh. Full-time, Director of Music Ministry. Serve as organist/pianist for four Masses/weekend, Holy Days, and other Liturgical and Non-Liturgical celebrations and functions. Direct Adult Choirs, Schola, Cantors, oversee Handbell and Children's Choirs. Excellent organ and choral conducting skills necessary for consideration. Graduate degree in music preferred. Monthly staff and worship committee meetings and optional weekly parish school Mass. Salary commensurate with experience. Additional income from funerals and weddings. 18-rank W. Zimmer organ, 6'1" Wurlitzer grand piano. Position available July/August, 2011. Send cover letter, resume and three references to: St. Maurice Parish, Fr. John Skirtich, re: Music Ministry, 2001 Ardmore Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15221, or email resume and references to: stmauriceparish-office@comcast.net, attention: Fr. John Skirtich

NPM Pittsburgh Elections

NPM PGH Elections will be held during the month of May. The nominating committee, Shari Whitico, chair; Dianne Falvo, and Dennis Johnson have presented the following slate. Many, many thanks for all their hard work.

Assistant Director for Recruitment *(one to be elected)*



Maria Dougherty

Maria has been involved in church music ever since the good Sisters of St. Joseph in Philadelphia placed her at the organ at the age of seven. Recognizing her strong interest in liturgy and music she traveled to Pittsburgh and obtained a Masters degree in Sacred Music from Duquesne University. She has served as Director of Music for several parishes and religious

communities in Pittsburgh, the most recent being the Little Sisters of the Poor. She is a member of NPM and the Liturgy Network. She lives in the South Hills area with her husband Tom and two children and is currently working as a substitute musician while exploring new opportunities in the Pittsburgh area.

Amanda Plazek



Amanda Plazek is a native of Pittsburgh, PA, and is currently finishing her last semester studying Organ Performance and Sacred Music at Duquesne University under Dr. Ann Labounsky, FAGO.

Amanda is currently the Organist and Director of Music at Saint Mary of the Mount Catholic Church on Mount Wash-

ington. Amanda holds dual certification in Service Playing and the Colleague exam (CAGO) from NPM and the American Guild of Organists (AGO). Amanda was the Dean of the Duquesne University AGO Chapter during the 2010-2011 academic year as well as an active member of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) and Choristers Guild.

Secretary/Treasurer *(one to be elected)*

Julianna Haag *(incumbent)*

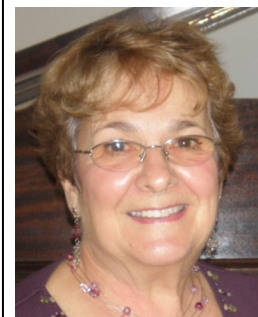
Since 2004, with a brief hiatus in 2010, Julianna has been the



Music Minister at St. Catherine of Siena, Beechview. From 1990-2004 she did substitute work in the South and West areas of Pittsburgh while raising her family. Julianna has twelve years of private study in organ from Gladys Klaber. Julianna has a BS-Accounting from Duquesne University and worked in International Banking from 1977-1988 as a Foreign Exchange Trader for PNC Bank. Currently volunteers at the Neville House Associates at Woodville Plantation.

Animator for Koinonia *(one to be elected)*

Carol Accetta *(incumbent)*



A graduate of Duquesne School of Music with a Bachelor of Music degree with a major in organ, Carol has worked in the Diocese since her high school days. She served for many years with the Diocesan Worship Commission and was part of the team of priests and musicians who were instrumental in carrying out the Vatican II changes in the liturgy with demonstration masses and workshops. Carol has served as Music Minister in many of the parishes in the South Hills area,

most recently St. Thomas More in Bethel Park for 20 years. Carol is currently taking a hiatus and is subbing wherever she is needed.

Helene Goodbread

Helene has an AS in Music, BS in Humanities with emphasis on religion and music, and a Certificate from Seton Hill in Music and Liturgy. She has been playing since I was 15 years old and is currently Music Director for the Felician Motherhouse, choir organist for Good Samaritan in Ambridge, and substitute organist for St. Blaise in Midland.

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In Sympathy

The sympathy of the chapter goes out to Theresa Borro, Director of Music at St. Rose of Lima, Darlington, on the death of her husband, Joe, who passed away Palm Sunday, April 10. Joe and Theresa were married 54 years and have three children. Joe's funeral was Wednesday, April 13 at St. Francis Cabrini in Center Twp. May he rest in peace.

Bus to Louisville

The bus to Louisville has been booked. As of this printing we have 20 people. The bus has room for 41 passengers. The TOTAL cost of the bus is \$2932.00. Right now the cost per person is \$146.00. We still have room for 21 more people. The more people who go on the bus the less the per person cost. NO money is due at this time. I will keep you in the loop concerning this. Leave Pittsburgh Sunday, July 17, 3:00 PM from St. Margaret, Greentree. Park there all week for free. Kevin Maurer arranged this. Thank you, Kevin! Leave Louisville Friday, July 22, 1:00 PM. Return St. Margaret's approximately 9:30 PM.

Pueri Cantores Conductors Seminar

Join a conductors seminar for "Choirs of a Special Kind," for conductors of Catholic parishes, middle and high school choirs at St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein (Chicago) IL. Clinicians Lee Gwozdz, Paul French, and Robert Boyd. July 25-27. For further information and a registration form visit www.PCChoirs.org or call (714) 633-7554