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So, how is the new wedding ritual working for you? How do you suggest liturgical music when couples are getting their ideas from the internet or The Knot? Or from their mothers? What about worship aids? And are you able to suggest/use ritual music suggestions?

Well, we hope you will join us for this practical, pre-recorded webinar and learn about other planning experiences as well as compare them to your own.

FOR REGISTRATION, click on this link:  
https://daviddreher.webinarninja.com/live-webinars/98502/register

RSVP BY MAY 13

no later than 12 Noon
AN EVENING WITH TONY ALONSO

St. John Fisher, Churchill
WEDNESDAY ⎮ JUNE 5, 2019 ⎮ 7:00pm
Duquesne University Chapel

THE PSALMS
Bread of Heaven in the Wilderness of Our Exodus

WEDNESDAY | JUNE 5, 2019 | 7:00pm

Plan on joining us for this exciting “Evening with Tony Alonso” as he shares music and insights on the importance of the psalms that we sing in virtually every liturgy we celebrate.

Tony is one of the most talented, prolific, young composers of Catholic liturgical music. Dubbed “the voice of a new generation in church music”, Tony has shared his musical gifts as well his love and knowledge of liturgy at many conferences and events across the United States and Canada. Composing in both English and Spanish, his music reflects the multicultural needs of the contemporary Church as well as a strong commitment to ritual music.

Tony currently serves as the Director of Liturgy and Music at St. Nicholas Church, a vibrant, bilingual parish in Evanston, Illinois.

Please join us for refreshments and koinonia in the Bayer Rotunda (across the street from the Chapel) after the concert. Tony’s CDs and books will be available for purchase.

PARKING OPTIONS
✦ ADMINISTRATION PARKING LOT (Corner of Bluff Street and McAnulty Street)
✦ McANULTY DRIVE (Street parking in front of the Administration Building)

PLEASE REGISTER on our website — click on the tab “An Evening with Tony Alonso”

The Psalms: Bread of Heaven in the Wilderness of Our Exodus
A few words from our Chapter Director …

Dear Musicians of the Diocese:

Easter Greetings! I hope that this finds you well and a little more rested since Holy Week is now past! I know that this has been a trying year for you, and I pray that things will settle and become more comfortable for all of you in the near future.

Our NPM Pittsburgh Chapter is still here to serve you during this time of transition throughout the Diocese of Pittsburgh. We are encouraged by our successful fundraising efforts that will allow us to continue to offer quality programs as we move forward. We have recently appointed Tom Coyne to our Leadership Team to serve as Fundraising Coordinator, and will shortly be holding an election for Treasurer and Animator of Koinonia. Ginny Ambrose and Daniel Kovacic have graciously agreed to serve in their elected positions for an additional two-year term.

I am exceptionally proud of our Leadership Team as they meet and work diligently each month to provide quality programming, webinars, and newsletters to keep you informed.

As always, we want to offer the best programming that serves YOU in your ministry. On Friday evening, June 7, our Leadership Team will convene to plan our 2019-2020 season. As always, we welcome and need your input! You will be receiving a Membership Questionnaire from me, asking for your honest feedback, your suggestions and ideas for workshops, events, and meetings. Please take time to seriously reflect not only on this year’s programs, but on what can be offered moving forward. Please fill out the questionnaire and return it to me by May 31, so we can use the results as a springboard at our Leadership Team Brainstorming Meeting. Being recognized as the 2018 NPM Chapter of the Year was a high honor, to be sure, earned through the arduous work and collaborative efforts with you, our colleagues. Maintaining that level of excellence will take just as much, if not more of the same. Together, let’s keep NPM Pittsburgh going strong into the future!

Please return the questionnaire to:

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OR email to music@diopitt.org

Sincerely,
Kevin Maurer
Chapter Director · NPM Pittsburgh

Welcome to the Team …

We are delighted to announce and welcome TOM COYNE to the NPM Pittsburgh Leadership Team as the newly appointed Fundraising Co-ordinator. A long-time NPMer, Tom will bring his unique gifts, his engaging personality, his creative and collaborative spirit, his passion and his resolute commitment to this position and to the mission of NPM Pittsburgh. Currently, Tom serves as the Director of Music at Grouping 228 (St. Maximilian Kolbe, Homestead · St. Therese of Lisieux, Munhall · St. Rita, Munhall Gardens · Resurrection, West Mifflin) We look forward to working with Tom on future fundraising efforts for our chapter.
Congratulations!

…to STEVE and ALYSSA YEALY, and big sis, VIOLET on the birth of their son (brother), ALASTAIR PATRICK YEALY who joined the family on April 6, 2019 … and he’s a big boy too at 9 lbs. 21 in!

May God bless and strengthen Steve and Alyssa in their parenting every day as they nurture their children. Lighten their worries and multiply their joys. And may God keep his watchful eye on Violet and Alastair all the days of their lives.

Requiescat in Pace

Our deepest condolences to FR. NICK VASKOV, Director of Liturgy and Worship, on the passing of his mother, Connie Vaskov, to CHRISSY JANKOWSKI, NPM member and Director of Music at St. Maria Goretti/Our Lady of the Angels/Immaculate Heart of Mary Grouping on the passing of her mother, Patricia Dobies, and to DEBBIE KOSTOSKY, from Duquesne University Campus Ministry, on the passing of her mother, Dorothy Kostosky.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
ST. NICHOLAS CROATIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
MURAL PAINTINGS OF MAXO VANKO

On Tuesday, April 30, eighteen people were treated to an impressive and in-depth presentation of the mural paintings of Maxo Vanko at St. Nicholas Croatian Catholic Church in Millvale.

Seeing these paintings in person can truly be an overwhelming experience. As you sit in the pew, you are immediately enveloped by the immensity of their presence.

Many of the paintings illustrate a very dark, somber side of the immigrant life in early 20th century Pittsburgh. Some are rather rough, even gruesome, as life surely must have been for the Croatian people who came to Pittsburgh in search of a better way of life.

Maxo Vanko’s artistry reveals the severe social injustice toward immigrants, and yet the harshness of that reality is softened by the beauty of creation, showing God’s constant presence in their lives.

After the tour several folks enjoyed a delicious lunch and fellowship at The Abbey in Lawrenceville.

✔ And while you’re here, check these out …

https://thehymnsociety.org

The mission of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada is to encourage, promote, and enliven congregational singing. The Hymn Society is for those who:

• believe that congregational song is an integral component of worship,
• believe that that writing and singing of new texts and tunes needs to be promoted,
• value learning about the origins of the words and music they sing.

https://voicesasone/settingthetone

“Setting the Tone” is an excellent resource for contemporary music ideas. Blog Editor and composer Ed Bolduc offers a wide variety of contemporary music planning ideas for each week. Well worth your time if you want to infuse some fresh, new tunes into your parish repertoire.

AND NOW LET US CONSIDER, HOW WE MAY SPUR ONE ANOTHER ON TOWARD LOVE AND GOOD DEEDS, NOT GIVING UP MEETING TOGETHER, AS SOME ARE IN THE HABIT OF DOING, BUT ENCOURAGING ONE ANOTHER — AND ALL THE MORE AS YOU SEE THE DAY APPROACHING.

— Hebrews 10:24-25
ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL
2019 ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

Kenneth Danchik • Saint Paul Cathedral • Pittsburgh
Sunday • June 2, 2019 | 7:30pm

Donald Fellows • St. Paul Cathedral • Pittsburgh
Sunday • September 8, 2019 | 3:30pm

Janette Fishell • Indiana University • Bloomington, Indiana
Friday • October 4, 2019 | 7:30pm

Craig Cramer • Notre Dame University • Notre Dame, Indiana
Sunday • November 10, 2019 | 3:30pm

Nicole Simental • St. Joseph Cathedral • Columbus, Ohio
Friday • November 22, 2019 | 7:30pm

2019 SUMMER SERIES OF ORGAN RECITALS
SUNDAYS | 3:30PM • ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL

Edward Alan Moore • East Liberty Presbyterian • Pittsburgh
Sunday • July 7, 2019

Michael Hammer • Third Presbyterian • Pittsburgh
Sunday • July 14, 2019

Bruce Ludwick • St. Paul Cathedral • Birmingham, Alabama
Sunday • July 28, 2019

James Burns • Westminster Presbyterian • Upper St. Clair
Sunday • August 4, 2019

Daniel Kovacic • St. Thomas More, Bethel Park/St. John Capistran • Upper St. Clair
Sunday • August 11, 2019

Each concert takes place in St. Paul Cathedral, corner of Fifth Avenue & Craig Street, Oakland.

FREE ADMISSION … a free-will offering will be gratefully received.

For more details, please call the Cathedral Music Office at 412-621-4951 x 28 or email donaldfellows@verizon.net.
UPCOMING HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

CARITAS CONCERT SERIES 2018 - 2019
Slippery Rock University/Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Sunday · May 5, 2019 · 3:00pm
St. Teresa of Avila Church · 300 Fraser Purchase Road · Latrobe, PA 15

The Slippery Rock Symphonic Wind Ensemble, a top auditioned university concert band, will present an exciting program for concert band including works by Percy Grainger, Steven Bryant, Eric Coates, Franz von Suppé, and more! A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the SRU Symphonic Wind Ensemble and the parish Music Ministry. All are welcome! For more info, contact Dr. Kathy Melago, Director of the Caritas Concert Series, at kathymelago@hotmail.com.

RING PITTSBURGH 2019 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
Ring Pittsburgh Handbell Ensemble | Jim Rossetti · Director
Tuesday · May 7, 2019 · 7:30pm
Saint Kilian Parish · 7076 Franklin Road · Cranberry Twp, PA 16066
Freewill offering

Enjoy a concert of glorious handbell ringing of a wonderful array of tunes from classic to contemporary. For more info, visit www.RingPittsburgh.org.

ST. JAMES MUSIC PLUS CONCERT SERIES · ALL DVOŘÁK
Donna Amato · Piano | Christopher Wu · Violin | David Premo · Cello
Tuesday · May 14, 2019 · 7:30pm
St. James Church · 200 Walnut Street · Sewickley, PA 15143
Freewill offering will be gratefully accepted.

A 50 minute trio concert celebrating the sonorous chamber music of Romantic Czech composer Antonín Dvořák will be performed by Donna Amato, pianist along with PSO musicians, Christopher Wu, violinist and David Premo, cellist. The 20 minute pre-concert at 7:00pm will feature students from Sewickley’s Center for Young Musicians, Leah Givilber, Director. A dessert reception will follow. For more info, contact Sharon Shaefer at s.schaefer@comcast.net.

RING PITTSBURGH 2019 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
Ring Pittsburgh Handbell Ensemble | Jim Rossetti · Director
Tuesday · May 21, 2019 · 7:30pm
St. John Lutheran Church · 311 Cumberland Road · Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Enjoy a concert of glorious handbell ringing of a wonderful array of tunes from classic to contemporary. For more info, visit www.RingPittsburgh.org.

ST. PAUL EPISCOPAL CHURCH FRIENDS OF MUSIC GUILD CONCERT SERIES
Tom Roberts · Piano | Mary Beth Malek · Clarinet
Sunday · May 19, 2019 · 4:00pm
St. Paul Episcopal Church · 1066 Washington Road · Pittsburgh, PA 15228
Suggested donation: $10 per person or $25 per family

Acclaimed jazz pianist, Tom Roberts and Mary Beth Malek, principal clarinetist with Pittsburgh Opera/Ballet, provide live music to two iconic 1916 Charlie Chaplin silent films — The Pawn Shop and The Rink. Both scores, composed by Tom Roberts, commissioned by the Pittsburgh Symphony. For more info, call 412-531-7153.

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS · EAST LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
The Brass Roots and Organ | Edward Alan Moore · Organist
Friday · May 24, 2019 · 7:30pm
East Liberty Presbyterian Church · 116 S. Highland Ave · Pittsburgh, PA 15206
Freewill offering accepted.

Another sonic experience for brass, percussion, and organ. For more info, contact EdM@soh.net.
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