OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The October deadline is a few days earlier than usual.
**DAN SCHUTTE EVENT: RETREAT & CONCERT**

**A special retreat with ...**

**DAN SCHUTTE**

**DISCIPLES OF HOPE**

**Finding Meaning in Times of Holy Darkness**

**Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse**

**1020 State Street**

**Baden, PA 15005**

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**A DAY OF RETREAT & RENEWAL FOR PASTORAL MUSICIANS**

**Saturday • November 9, 2019**

9:00am – 2:00pm

This quiet, gentle retreat day is being held for the musicians, past and present, of the Diocese of Pittsburgh as a special gift from the Sisters of St. Joseph, Baden. Please join us as our guest, **FREE OF CHARGE** for a day of renewal with our good friend, Dan Schutte.

We strongly encourage Music LEMs and choir directors to extend this invitation to all choir members, cantors, instrumentalists and parish staff members as well! This is a “day of self-care” for YOU! Please know that registration will be somewhat limited, so early registration is recommended.

**RSVP by FRIDAY • OCTOBER 25, 2019**

to the St. Joseph Spirituality Center.

Email to spiritcenter@stjoseph-baden.org or call 724-869-6585.

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**A CONCERT WITH DAN SCHUTTE**

**Sunday • November 10, 2019**

2:00pm

The Sisters of St. Joseph—Baden are pleased to host this concert by their dear friend, Dan Schutte, renowned composer, pastoral musician, and spiritual director. Join them in the beautiful, sacred space of their Motherhouse Chapel for an afternoon of musical inspiration and enjoyment.

**CONCERT TICKETS $25**

Tickets can be purchased at dan-schutte.eventbrite.com or by using the mail-in form below.

For more information, contact: Kathy Fletcher Wray at 724-869-6585 or kwray@stjoseph-baden.org.

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**DAN SCHUTTE CONCERT REGISTRATION FORM**

**Sunday | November 10, 2019 | 2:00PM**

# of Tickets @ $25 ea_____

Amount Enclosed____________

Check #____________________

Name ____________________________

Address __________________________

Email ____________________________ Phone ______________________

Please mail form to: St. Joseph Motherhouse Chapel • 1020 State Street • Baden PA 15005

**TICKET ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 25, 2019**
MEMBERSHIP NEWS & NOTES | CANTORS | PERSONAL

NPM PITTSBURGH PRESENTS …
2019 FALL CANTOR WORSHOPS
DAVID DREHER · INSTRUCTOR
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES
ST. KILIAN & HOLY SEPULCHER PARishes

Tuesday · October 8, 2019
Registration Deadline: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1
7:00pm — 9:00pm
ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH · PULASKI
Directions to St. James the Apostle Church:
https://goo.gl/maps/AhbKr2WQikNWmQfs9

Tuesday · October 29, 2019
Registration Deadline: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22
7:00pm — 9:00pm
ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX CHURCH · MUNHALL
Directions to St. Therese of Lisieux Church:
https://goo.gl/maps/6fuZvia8AXKWFBPk9

Requiescat in Pace

Our deepest condolences to the family of THERESA BORRO who passed away recently. Theresa was a dedicated former music director who served in various churches in Beaver County ... she was a dynamo! She also was one of the first elected officers of the (then) Beaver-Butler-Lawrence branch of the Pittsburgh Chapter of NPM. Her Italian cookies were a delectable staple at so many NPM meetings and dinners. Theresa served the Church of Pittsburgh for over 70 years! May she sing with the saints and the angels!

Our deepest condolences to the family of HARRY JAKE EBERT who passed away on August 29. Harry was a master craftsman who built and serviced pipe organs for more than 70 years in the tri-state area. His workmanship and legacy as an organ builder will be treasured and remembered in countless churches for years to come. Well done, good and faithful servant. Soli Deo Gloria.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in rest. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

David Dreher has been leading cantor workshops for more than 36 years, and is eager to work with beginning and experienced cantors and those who work with them. Cantors of all levels will benefit from this workshop. Come prepared to sing a psalm or antiphonal communion song. Accompaniment will be provided for those who do not bring their own organist or pianist.

For more info on registration and payment, please visit our website:

Cantors are called to be psalmists, animators of the assembly, and musical presiders for our Catholic assemblies. They fill essential roles for vibrant worship.

Requi... cat in Pace
MEMBERSHIP NEWS & NOTES | JOB POSTINGS

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES · DMM (Full-time)
PARISH GROUPING
Sacred Heart (Shadyside) · St. Raphael (Morningside)

The Director of Music Ministries (DMM) for the Parish Grouping of Sacred Heart Parish and St. Raphael Church is a full-time position (40 hours), beginning no later than the Fall of 2019.

RESPONSIBILITIES
➤ The DMM will be the primary organist at Sacred Heart, but must be willing to serve at both worship sites
➤ This person shall be responsible for the effective planning, co-ordination, and execution of music within the liturgical celebrations of the parish.
➤ This person should be gifted with a vision of how a local church can develop its musical potential while being pastoral to the needs of the parish community.
➤ This person must be willing to adapt to change in light of the On Mission for the Church Alive! process.

REQUIREMENTS:
➤ The DMM is a leader who holds specialized credentials in music and has a thorough understanding of Roman Catholic liturgy.

Inquiries about this position should be submitted to the Reverend Joseph M. Mele, Ph.D, Administrator through Matthew Radican, Interim Organist and Choirmaster, Sacred Heart Parish at matthewlradican@gmail.com.

ASSOCIATE OF MUSIC MINISTRY (Part-time)

GROUPING 101
All Saints (Etna) · St. Bonaventure (Glenshaw) · Holy Spirit (Millvale) · St. Aloysius (Reserve Twp.)

RESPONSIBILITIES:
➤ Playing two or more weekend Masses and occasional holy days, funerals, and weddings.
➤ Candidate may also be asked to assist with the choir rehearsal at times.

REQUIREMENTS:
➤ Proficiency in organ and piano playing, singing, and leading congregational singing is required.

To apply, please email a cover letter and resume to Reverend James R. Gretz, D.Min, M.T.S., Administrator, at jgretz@diopitt.org.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES (Full-time)

CHARLEROI · DONORA · MONONGAHELA GROUPING
Mary, Mother of the Church (Charleroi) · Our Lady of the Valley (Donora) · St. Damien of Molokai (Monongahela)

This is a full-time position that includes benefits and commensurate salary.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
➤ Planning, coordinating, and executing music for Saturday evening and Sunday Masses (6 total masses, but playing for 1-4 each weekend), the Easter Triduum, holy days of obligation, sacramental celebrations, and any other special celebrations particular to this Parish.
➤ Coordinate and rehearse music with the combined parish choir for 2-3 Sunday liturgies per month.
➤ Coordinate, communicate, and rehearse music with parish cantors and instrumentalists.
➤ Plan and provide music for weddings and funerals.
➤ Prepare worship aids for weekend masses, holy days, and special liturgies.

REQUIREMENTS:
➤ The DM must be proficient in organ and piano voice, choral and vocal direction.
➤ The DM must be in full compliance with the Safe Environment Policy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Inquiries for this position — please contact Fr. Kevin Dominik at kdominik@diopitt.org.
MEMBERSHIP NEWS & NOTES, CONT.

ORGANIST & CHOIR DIRECTOR (Full-time)

SOUTH SIDE · MT. WASHINGTON GROUPING

Saint Mary of the Mount (Mt. Washington) · Prince of Peace Parishes (South Side)

RESPONSIBILITIES:
➤ Playing 3 Masses/weekend
➤ Playing funerals & weddings as first point of contact (125 funerals annually, 70-80 weddings annually within the parish grouping); the Director of Music will assist with weddings and funerals when the Organist/Choir Director is unavailable.
➤ Playing additional holy day Masses and prayer services indigenous to the parish grouping’s cultural traditions
➤ Leading at least 2 choirs/ensembles, including regular rehearsals
➤ Assisting with administrative needs, i.e., choir library, managing order needs for ministry, and if needed, assist with Ministry Scheduler Pro software for scheduling ministers.

REQUIREMENTS:
➤ Must be able to sing and play liturgies, if needed.
➤ Must be willing to invite and develop the formation of potential music ministry volunteers.
➤ Must demonstrate knowledge of multiple styles of Church music.
➤ Must be willing to work within all 3 churches in the parish grouping, understanding the musical and cultural needs among them.
➤ A Bachelor’s Degree in Music and additional music certification (CAGO, Sacred Music Certificate, etc) is preferred.

This is a full time position with benefits. To apply, please email a cover letter and current resumé to ministry@smomp.org no later than Thursday | October 10, 2019.

LITURGICAL MUSICIAN (Part-time)

DORMONT · MOUNT LEBANON · SCOTT TWP.

St. Bernard (Dormont/Mount Lebanon) · Our Lady of Grace (Scott Twp.)

RESPONSIBILITIES:
➤ Directing parish handbell choir program.
➤ Play two (occasionally three) Masses per weekend.

REQUIREMENTS:
➤ Exceptional organ skills are a must.

This is an ideal position for a student or retiree wanting to work in a large parish music ministry program that includes 8 Masses per weekend, 7 parish choirs, 4 music staff, annual concert series, and a semi-professional choir and cantor corps. Duties are flexible and can be determined based upon the candidate’s skills and strengths.

Excellent clergy team that is supportive of music as an integral part of the liturgy. Parish has three organs, including a 90/IV Casavant with Walker digital additions, an 11/III Cornel Zimmer with Walker digital additions, and a Viscount digital organ.

To apply, please email a cover letter, resumé, and references to Chaz Bowers, Director of Music at cbowers@stbpgh.org.

ATTN: choral directors

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY’S 3RD ANNUAL CHORAL KALEIDOSCOPE

A “winter refresher” on conducting gesture, vocal pedagogy, and the body as instrument!

Conductors of all levels/contexts welcome!

- DR. DAVID FREGO · Guest Clinician
  Director of the Penn State School of Music, internationally recognized Dalcroze teacher and scholar.

- DR. GREG MARCHETTI · Physical Therapist

- DR. CARON DALEY, DMA · Director of Choral Activities and Assistant Professor of Music, Ensembles Co-ordinator at Duquesne University

Registration is now OPEN: https://form.jotform.com/72895573769176-https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url? a=https%3a%2f%2fform.jotform.com%2f7289 5773769176&c=E, 1ntEVLW6mKt4p4d4fTThbF8I_bxEcaBf8 EC-iVAlA-Lh7mg74Nri5iiJSJhYUpq-wflACPf87812KiAB10H5Bo4wMReFQbbSF-xHBJ14X8JwucE_AXhzmLwDVM&typo=1>

$50 before December 1 … $60 after December 1
Act 48 credits will be available!
**UPCOMING EVENTS & HAPPENINGS**

**HEINZ MEMORIAL CHAPEL CONCERTS**  
**ADMISSION IS FREE**

- **AROUND ANOTHER EUROPE | GIORGIO REVELLI**, organist/choirmaster  
  Cathedral of Imperia, Italy  
  **SUNDAY • OCTOBER 13, 2019 • 3:00pm**

**JEANNE COTTER | Retreat • Workshop • Concert**

- **RETREAT • WORKSHOP**  
  **SATURDAY • OCTOBER 19, 2019 • 10:30am — 12:30pm**  
  St. Agnes Church • 11400 St. Agnes Lane • North Huntingdon, PA 15642  
  The retreat and workshop are FREE and open to choir members, instrumentalists, cantors, and anyone who provides music in our parishes.  
  To reserve your spot, please RSVP to bbouille@dioceseofgreensburg.org by **Thursday, October 17**. Co-sponsored by NPM Greensburg Chapter and the Office for Worship.

- **CONCERT • St. Vincent College Concert Series**  
  **SATURDAY • OCTOBER 19, 2019 • 7:00pm**  
  Robert S. Carey Performing Arts Center  
  300 Fraser Purchase Road • Latrobe, PA 15650

  For more info, please call 724-805-2177 or visit https://www.stvincent.edu/community-events/the-arts/st-vincent-college-concert-series.

- **UNITY BRASS QUINTET**  
  **SUNDAY • OCTOBER 27, 2019 • 3:00pm**  
  The group is comprised of top players from the Edgewood Symphony and East Winds Symphonic Band. The concert will feature lyrical works with a few toe-tappers and familiar tunes as well.

**CARITAS 2019-2020 CONCERT SERIES**

- **HERITAGE GOSPEL CHORALE of PITTSBURGH**  
  **SUNDAY • OCTOBER 27, 2019 • 3:00pm**  
  St. Teresa of Avila Church • 1000 Avila Court • Pittsburgh, PA 15237

  A free-will offering will be gratefully accepted. Proceeds benefit the Music Ministry of Neighbors North Catholic Community.

**L’ORGUE MYSTIQUE | A Rare 10 Day Performance of Charles Tournemire’s Masterwork**

- **RICHARD SPOTTS** | Organist  
  **NOVEMBER 4, and then NOVEMBER 9 — 17, 2019**  
  For the first time with live streaming … this incredible 10-day performance of the works of Charles Tournemire will be presented in Pittsburgh in preparation for the Sesquicentennial of his birth.  
  For more concert details contact Anne Labounsky at 412-766-8738 or visit https://www.facebook.com/labounsky. Free admission.
If you haven’t already done so, please take a few minutes to check out each of our NPM Pittsburgh social media platforms, and browse through the many practical ideas and applications for your ministry. There are countless opportunities for future growth and development in all areas of music ministry, including a vast network of fellow pastoral musicians literally at your fingertips! After you check everything out, let us know what you think!

And to make this even easier for you, a new hyperlink has been attached to each of the respective logos above. Just click on the desired logo and you are there! Friends, it just doesn’t get any easier than that!

Lastly, if you need any additional info on our chapter’s technology efforts, please contact Dave Dreher, our Director of Technology at ddreher@saintkilian.org

...so ✔ it out!

https://singamen.giamusic.com

Bloggers currently featured are Jennifer Kerr Budziak “Ministering Through Music”, Marilyn Biery on “Keyboard to Keyboard”, and Peter Kolar on “Cantemos Amen!”. Each blog is sure to provide an abundance of education, guidance, and shared wisdom on the respective topic discussed. This is worth your time ...so ✔ it out!

THE HYMN SOCIETY

hymnary.org

... a valuable online hymn and worship music database where you can search or browse hymns by title, tune, meter, key, scripture reference, and more.

https://www.thehymnsociety.org

... a great resource for locating hymns/texts for liturgical celebrations that focus on specific themes, such as peace, care of creation, justice, times of crisis, and more. Numerous articles and videos can also be easily accessed and enjoyed.
**SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP**

**“What is NPM 2.0?”**

NPM Pittsburgh’s 2019 - 2020 year kicked off in fine fashion as 40+ members gathered for wine and appetizers before sitting down to a delicious dinner and informative presentation on the new NPM 2.0 initiative. Amanda Plazek Bruce calmly and confidently guided us through the evolving operational landscape of NPM.

She provided in-depth insights into NPM 2.0’s five main focus areas: **Chapters, Programming, Communication, Governance, and Membership.** Her power point presentation and handout are available on our website [www.npmpgh.org](http://www.npmpgh.org).

**LOOKING AHEAD TO 2020, 2021, 2022**

**A Choral Director’s Institute:** A multi-topic institute, similar to One Call Institute and Guitar Ensemble Institute. (2020 or 2021)

**Skill Builder Events:** Music seminars on a national level, but NOT intended to be mini-conventions. (2021 and 2022)

**Professional Leadership for NPM 2.0:** A professional with expertise in leading nonprofits has been signed to guide NPM through its major changes.

**Communications:** Association-wide opportunities to pray and interact together, i.e., the Feast of St. Cecilia, with shared, printable resources for all.

**USE YOUR VOICE**

Any feedback/suggestions, can be mailed to board@npm.org.

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**Congratulations**

**BRANDY IRISH** … Director of Music, St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center.

**AMANDA PLAZEK BRUCE** on being named the Interactive Media Director for the NPM National Office.

**VINCENT RONE** … Director of St. Malachy (Kennedy) • Holy Trinity (Robinson) • St. Mary Help of Christians (McKees Rocks)
**GOD OF THE SEASONS**

there is a time
for everything;
there is a time for dying
and a time for rising.
We need courage to enter
into the transformation
process.

**GOD OF AUTUMN**

the trees are saying
good-bye to their green,
letting go of what has been.
We, too, have our moments
of surrender, with all their
insecurity and risk.
Help us to let go
when we need to do so.

**GOD OF HARVEST**

WAGONS and fields of
ripened grain, many gifts
of growth lie within the
season of our surrender.
We must wait for harvest
in faith and hope.
Grant us patience
when we do not see
blessings.

**GOD OF FLOWERS**

touched with frost and
windows wearing white
designs, may your love
keep our hearts from
growing cold in the empty
seasons of life.

**GOD OF LIFE**

you believe in us,
you enrich us,
you entrust us
with the freedom
to choose life.
For all this,
we are grateful.
Amen.