



NEWSLETTER

The monthly joint publication of the NPM Arlington and NPM DC Chapters.

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NPM 43rd Annual Convention • July 7-10, 2020

*Look through this edition for
information about the
2020 NPM Convention
in Louisville, KY!
#NPMLouisville*

See page 3 for dinner details!



*St. Cecilia,
pray for us!*

Annual Shrove Tuesday Luncheon

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

12:00 NOON



Cost: approx. \$16 per person

(includes: buffet, soft drink, and tip -
or you can order off the menu)

Brion's Grille

10621 Braddock Road, Fairfax, VA 22032



*Share a meal and relax with friends, old and new,
before we plunge into our Lenten preparation for Easter.*

RSVP via our [Facebook event](#) or
E-mail us at arlingtonnpm@gmail.com

Director's Corner

We need you! Our local chapters are nothing without you. This is not a cliché or a hollow comment to try and get you to more events. Although, we do love seeing you and I'll let you know about all of our wonderful upcoming events later. Our chapters do not exist without you, our colleagues, mentors and friends. Because this is your chapter I'm asking for your feedback. Will you let us know what we are doing right? What events and workshops have you found helpful as a pastoral musician? How can we improve our programming and planning? Where have we missed the mark? What events do we need to offer that will help you in your ministry? Are you interested in becoming more involved with our local chapters of NPM, but don't know how? You can reach us directly by email at npm.dc.chapter@gmail.com or arlingtonnpm@gmail.com. I hope many of you will take a few minutes to say hello and share your thoughts.

If you enjoy our monthly newsletter and find it helpful, let me know that too. A reminder that chapter members can submit flyers and information for upcoming events as well as photos from past events for publication in our newsletter. This allows us all to know what is happening in music ministry around our dioceses. All newsletter submissions should be sent to tlewicky@allsaintsva.org by the 15th of each month.

Speaking of our newsletter . . . our chapters are back in full swing after the busyness of the Christmas season, and this edition is packed with information. Lent is only a few weeks away and with that comes DC's annual Lenten retreat and Arlington's Shrove Tuesday Luncheon. Also, during Lent, we are extremely excited to be hosting Peter Kolar for a Friday concert and Saturday

workshop (March 13/14). Peter is the editor for Spanish and Bilingual resources at GIA as well as the director of the Diocesan Choir in El Paso, TX. He is one of the most talented musicians I have ever encountered and an even better human being who has a wealth of knowledge to share with us for both Spanish and English-speaking musicians. This is an event not to be missed! Registration and details for all the above referenced events are found in this newsletter and our chapter websites.



Believe it or not, it's also time to start preparing for the National Convention taking place in Louisville, Kentucky. For all of those that are planning to attend, please consider registering through the local chapter. If you do so, the registration fee is even less expensive than the early-bird rate. Here's the kicker, the registration form and payment need to be postmarked no later

than March 14. This is a much earlier deadline than in past years. [Click here](#) to be directed to a printable registration form for the convention. Our chapters always have a wonderful group in attendance, and we hope this year is no exception. All the information to register through the chapter is included in this edition of the newsletter.

Thank you for your continued support of the Arlington and DC Chapters through membership and attendance at our events. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you soon!

Amy Massey
NPM DC Chapter Director



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[Arlington, VA Chapter](#)
[@NPMARlington](#)

[Washington, DC Chapter](#)
[@NPMDC](#)

2020 National convention

#NPMLouisville

We hope to see many of you in Raleigh this summer! For full convention details see the digital [Convention Brochure](#). Details about the Chapter Dinner are found in this newsletter!

better than the \$295 early bird fee:
 10-19 Members (15% off): \$280
 20-29 Members (20% off): \$264
 30+ Members (25% off): \$247

Is an NPM Convention for you?

Yes! If you are a pastoral musician: director of music ministries ~ psalmist ~ cantor ~ bishop ~ priest ~ deacon ~ seminarian ~ choir director ~ ensemble leader ~ organist ~ keyboardist ~ guitarist ~ player of another instrument ~ youth pastoral musician ~ music educator ~ or anyone seeking time away in a retreat environment filled with prayer, filled with music, filled with the support of other ministers.



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Please note:

1. Again this year there is a \$20 discount if you choose an Electronic Program Book.
2. Registrant must be a parish/individual member of both National **AND** the local chapter (Arlington/DC).
3. Only one discount per registrant (e.g. *cannot be combined with Clergy/Musician Duo*)
4. Chapter discount is not available on Youth, Daily, Companion, or Child registrations

Is there a local Chapter member discount?

Yes! Before you send in that registration form, we hope you will consider registering through the local chapters (Arlington & DC are considered as one). The Chapter Discount is the *best available*, even

Here's what to do:

1. Complete a [registration form](#).
(This year, the form is a fillable PDF, fill it out on your computer, print and send to us!)
2. Make a check payable to NPM/ Arlington (\$280 - *plus any extras you've chosen*)
3. Mail both to **Anne Shingler, 3146 Woodland Lane, Alexandria, VA 22309** postmarked by **Friday, March 14.**

Questions, including how to join your local chapter?

Please email arlingtonnmp@gmail.com (Arlington) or npmcdcmembership@gmail.com (DC)

Convention Chapter Dinner



The Pastoral Musicians' Dinner at this year's #NPMLouisville Convention, will be held after the Convention Eucharist. See page 35 of the [Convention Brochure](#). All are welcome to participate. ***This dinner requires pre-registration.*** Please mark your [registration form](#) (on page 2) to attend the dinner. Cost is \$54 per person.

In addition, we will have a separate **Arlington/DC Chapter Dinner** on Wednesday evening. More details to come - but know that we can have meals together at least twice!

Diversos Ritmos, Una Oración

Many Rhythms, One Prayer



A joint NPM Arlington and NPM DC Event.

En este taller tendrás la oportunidad de:

- Compartir diferentes puntos de vista y experiencias a través de un dialogo entre músicos de habla hispana y habla inglesa.
- Aprender repertorio bilingüe.
- Aprender a interpretar diferentes estilos y géneros dentro de la música hispana. Están invitados a traer sus instrumentos!

Este taller está dirigido a **todos los ministros de musica** (directores, coros, cantores, instrumentistas, etc), *Vengan con todo el coro!*

This workshop will give you the opportunity to:

- Share different views and experiences through a dialogue among Spanish and English speaking musicians.
- Learn bilingual repertoire.
- Learn the proper performance styles and interpretation of different genres in Hispanic music. You are welcome to bring your instrument(s)!

This workshop is addressed to **all music ministers** (directors, choirs, cantors, instrumentalists, etc), *Bring the whole choir!*



Peter Kolar

CONCERT / CONCIERTO

Date: **Friday, March 13, 2020 8:00 PM**
Saint Ambrose Catholic Church
3107 63rd Ave, Cheverly MD 20785

WORKSHOP / TALLER

Date: **Saturday, March 14, 2020 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM**

Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church
46833 Harry Byrd Hwy, Sterling, VA 20164



Cost:

Concert: Free!

Workshop: \$25.00 per person

(includes a box lunch)

To register for the Saturday workshop,
 click or scan the QR code:

Para registrarse, haga clic aquí:



**NPM/DC Pre-Lenten Retreat****Saturday, February 22, 2020****9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.****Check-in begins at 9:00 a.m.****St. Camillus Church****1600 St. Camillus Drive****Silver Spring, MD 20903*****The Franciscan Lenten Path of Transformation into Beauty***

Please join us for a morning of reflection as we prepare ourselves for Lent. In this retreat for those involved in the Music Ministry, Br. Jacek will offer a reflection on our individual and communal conversion toward beauty. Drawing on the insights from his Franciscan Tradition, Br. Jacek will offer a path of integration between our personal lives and ministry and the Church's call to ecological conversion. This retreat is a great opportunity to grow spiritually and, as a person who revels in the beauty of God's gift of music, to re-discover a deeper purpose in your life.



Br. Jacek Orzechowski, OFM is an ordained Franciscan friar currently serving in Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington. Prior to that, he ministered at St. Camillus Parish in Silver Spring, MD where he was heavily involved in the ministry of justice, peace and the integrity of creation.

Registration is required. Please register by February 14 at

<https://www.npmdc.org/events-1/pre-lenten-retreat>

Fee: Members -\$10, Non-members* - \$20

You may pay at the door (cash or check) or send a check in the mail.

Checks should be postmarked by February 14 and sent to
NPM/DC, 1218 Duncan Place NE, Washington, DC 20002.

**Not a member of NPM/DC? Become a member for only \$15 and save \$10 on this event.*

For only \$5 more than the non-member rate, you can attend the retreat AND become a member.

Visit <https://www.npmdc.org/join-us> to access our membership form.

A Look Around the Chapters



The choirs of Holy Redeemer Church in College Park, MD, under the direction of Maria Balducci, present their Christmas concert on Sunday, January 5, 2020.

A Call for Photos

As we enter into a new calendar year, might you share your Advent and Christmas celebrations with us?

An ongoing feature in these newsletters is *A Look Around Our Chapters*. Please consider taking a few photos of your ministry, parish, and sanctuary and sharing them with us.

Share JPEG or TIFF files with the newsletter editor, tlewicki@allsaintsva.org.



MINISTRY MONDAY is the podcast for today's parish minister. Weekly episodes provide opportunities for anyone engaged in pastoral ministry to learn, engage, grow, and be renewed.

Content includes interviews with featured guests alongside a treasure-trove of articles, presentations, plenum addresses, workshops, and recordings from NPM publications, conventions, and events. Ministry Monday is a service of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians.

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Upcoming Events

DAVID KAUFFMAN

Song & Story Lenten Mission



Date: March 19, 2020

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: St. Joseph Church

750 Peachtree St., Herndon, Va.

Learn more at: GoodfortheSoulMusic.com

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EVENTS at a GLANCE



Saturday, February 22, 2020

Pre-Lenten Retreat for Pastoral Musicians

*St. Camillus Church, Takoma Park, MD
led by Br. Jacek Orzechowski, a Franciscan
Friar who works for Catholic Charities*

February 25, 2020

12:00 NOON

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Luncheon

Brion's Grille, Fairfax, VA

March 13 & 14, 2020

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Friday 8:00 PM

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Saturday 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

*Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church,
Sterling, VA*

Be sure to visit the Washington, DC and Arlington, VA Chapters' websites for the latest information on Chapter happenings, registration forms, and events:

www.npmdc.org

www.npmarlington.org

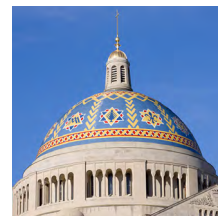
To submit a job posting, classified, or event posting, please send the information, formatted as seen on this page, to Claire Schweppe (clmcaruso@gmail.com) or Tim Lewicki (tlewicki@allsaintsva.org) by the 15th of the month for the following newsletter (i.e. by January 15 for the February newsletter). Please let us know when the position has been filled or your items have been sold/donated. Thank you.



Hats Off!

The following choirs have provided music for the Sunday TV Mass recently. Mass is celebrated in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, and broadcast on WDCW-TV (DCW50) each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Check your local cable or satellite provider's listings. Click the image of the Shrine's dome to view recordings of these Masses.

St. Hugh of Grenoble Parish Choir, Greenbelt, MD
St. John Paul II Seminary Choir, Washington, DC



Lord Jesus Christ,
 You have given your followers
 an example of gentleness and humility,
 a task that is easy, a burden that is light.
 Accept the prayers and work of this day,
 and give us the rest that will strengthen us
 to render more faithful service to you
 who live and reign for ever and ever.
 Amen.



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