

NEWSLETTER

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Fostering the Art of Musical Liturgy

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Director's Corner

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Arlington Chapter Director

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe we're at a new year already. I'm sure 2023 was full of blessings and joys, as well as some surprises and hardships. My prayer for you in 2024 is for a year of blessing and joyful music making.

As we continue to celebrate the joys of the Christmas season, and continue to recover from the marathon weekend December 23-25, I would like to take a few moments to share opportunities that await our local NPM chapters in this new year.



The annual NPM Winter Colloquium is right around the corner - figuratively and literally (see page 3)! Once again this year it is held right here in Washington DC. Join Edward Foley, Capuchin. Check out www.npm.org for more information, the registration deadline is fast approaching.

With Lent starting earlier this year, our fun annual tradition of Shrove Tuesday lunch is February 13 and will again be at Ruthie's All Day in Arlington. Come and join us for food, fun, and fellowship before we journey through Lent. Registration details are in this newsletter.

Our major event this spring is a joint effort between our chapters. We are so happy to (finally!) bring Peter Kolar to the area to present a concert and daylong workshop focusing on musicians who serve primarily Spanish speaking congregations (see page 7-8). This opportunity is for English and Spanish speakers. Come discover resources and techniques, receive free music and materials and dive deeper into liturgical music. Join us March 8 and 9 for this incredible event!

These chances to gather offer not only the opportunity to learn and grow our musicianship and scholarship, but also to get know one another better. Please share these opportunities with your fellow choir members, colleagues, and friends and plan to join us.

2024 Winter Colloquium

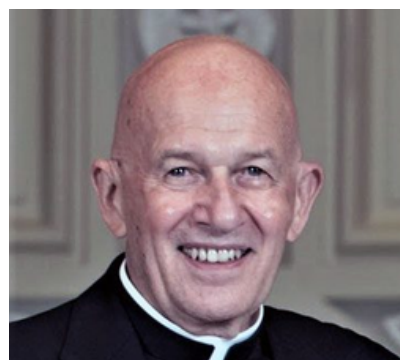
Join us for the 2024 Winter Colloquium, an event
open to

NPM Premium-level Members!

January 15-17, 2024

**Ministerial Leadership in the Age of Diversity: The
Challenge and Promise in Practical Theology**

In any era of change, familiar patterns of leadership become ineffective, and we are called to reimagine our roles outside of traditional frameworks. Instead of rejecting what feels like chaos, the methods of practical theology can help us explore the concept of “chaordic ministry,” through which we can lean into a mix of chaos and order—of challenge and promise. At Colloquium we will explore and imagine new strategies for graced success in our pastoral ministry.



Edward Foley, Capuchin



Register Here!

Location:

**Cathedral of St. Matthew the
Apostle
1725 Rhode Island Avenue N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20036**

Hotel:

**A reserved room block will be
available at the Courtyard Marriott
Dupont (1733 N Street N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20036) for \$159 per
night plus applicable taxes.**

Calendar of **EVENTS**

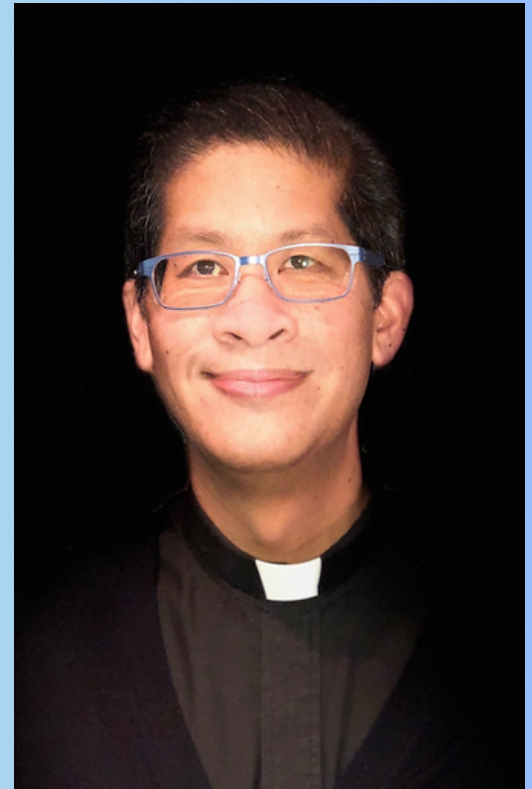
2023-2024 NPM Season

- Winter Colloquium Jan. 15-17, 2024, St. Matthew's Cathedral
- Jan. 19 7:30pm Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP Concert Mother Seton Parish in Germantown, MD
- Saturday, January 20th Ricky Manalo Retreat
- February 4 - (TBD) Southern Maryland gathering
- February 13 - Shrove Tuesday Lunch, hosted by Arlington, Ruthie's All-Day
- March 8-9 Peter Kolar Concert and Workshop co-sponsored by both chapters, Day of Formation for Spanish speaking musicians
- April 13th Spring Retreat, Franciscan Monastery
- May 6 - DC General Chapter Meeting @ St. Camillus 7:00pm
- 2024 Arlington General Chapter Meeting, TBD



Ricky Manalo comes to Germantown

Mother Seton Parish in Germantown, MD will welcome Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP, for a concert on Friday, January 19th at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, January 20th he will lead a retreat which will have a morning session titled **“Encountering Christ in the Eucharist: Crossing Thresholds, Becoming Transformed”** and an afternoon session, “We Sing the Body of Christ: Music in a Culturally Diverse Community”. The retreat will begin after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The parish address is 19951 Father Hurley Blvd, Germantown MD 20874.



*“Encountering Christ in the Eucharist:
Crossing Thresholds, Becoming Transformed”*



Cooper's Mill

5151 Pooks Hill Rd, Bethesda, MD 20814

Friday Nov. 17

The NPM-DC Chapter and guests enjoyed the annual St Cecilia Happy Hour on November 17. It was a wonderful opportunity to socialize and enjoy some time together before the holidays. This year's event took place at Cooper's Mill Restaurant in the Marriott Bethesda. The chapter provided an assortment of delicious appetizers to share. Needless to say, much of the conversation was on our favorite topic....music! It was great to learn about what our different parishes planned for Advent and Christmas. We also made new friends and informed our guests about NPM and our DC Chapter.



NPM DC and Arlington Chapters present...

CATHOLIC COMPOSER AND ARTIST

Peter Kolar

in Concert / en Concierto



Friday • Viernes
March 8, 2024
7:00 pm

Free Admission • Entrada Gratis
Free will offering • Ofrenda voluntaria

[Register here!](#)

Come and experience an uplifting evening of prayer and song celebrating the gift of music and diversity!

¡Vengan para experimentar una noche inspiradora de oración y canto en celebración del don de la música y la diversidad!

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St. Catherine Labouré Catholic Church

11801 Claridge Rd • Wheaton, MD 20902

*Red Line towards Glenmont; depart at Wheaton Metro Station
Board Bus Q-6 (Shady Grove) Bay C*

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NPM secciones de DC y Arlington presentan

Día de Formación para los Coros y Músicos en Español



con el presentador invitado

Peter Kolar

Peter Kolar es el Editor de Recursos en Español para **GIA Publications, Inc.** y un compositor conocido de música bilingüe. Su obra "Misa Luna" fue cantada en la Misa Papal en Filadelfia. Es compositor, artista de grabación, maestro, y director del coro diocesano de El Paso, TX.

Sábado, 9 de marzo de 2024

9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Christ the Redeemer Parish

46833 Harry Byrd Hwy • Sterling VA 20164

Silver Line Ashburn train to Herndon Metro Station.

Take the Fairfax Connector bus. Route 924 to Dranesville Rd. at Town Center Plaza

¡Formación litúrgica para los que cantan o tocan en la Misa!

- Guías para seleccionar música apropiada para la Misa
- La diferencia entre una canción religiosa y un canto litúrgico
- Aprendizaje de nuevo repertorio
- ¡Participantes recibirán materiales útiles incluso un himnario y recursos nuevos!

Day of Formation for Choirs and Musicians (in Spanish)

- Liturgical formation for those who play and sing at Mass
- Guidelines for the appropriate selection of music for the Mass
- The difference between religious and liturgical songs
- Exploration of new repertoire
- Participants will receive valuable resources including a hymnal and new materials!



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2024 MID-ATLANTIC

YOUTH CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS



Saturday,
April 20, 2024



The Basilica of the
National Shrine of the
Immaculate Conception



Pueri Cantores, the national student choral organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish and school treble and mixed voice choirs (grades 4-12) in the region to participate in a Festival & Mass.

Singers will unite with hundreds of their peers as one combined choir to sing beautiful music from the Church's rich historical repertoire.

More information will be available soon at www.pcco.org.



Director of Music (Part Time)

Ascension Parish
Bowie, Maryland

Under the direction of the pastor, the Director of Music schedules and oversees music at parish Sunday liturgies, some morning/evening Holy Day of Obligation Masses, and special liturgies such as for Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Triduum, and Sacramental liturgies (First Holy Communion, Confirmation)
Collaborates with parish organist (professional organist already in place)

Non-exempt employee likely averaging 12-16 hrs./week, including attendance at evening and weekend events as necessary.

[Apply here](#)

Part-time Choir Director

University of Mary Washington
Campus Ministry, 1614 College Avenue,
Fredericksburg, Virginia

Meaningful work * service oriented and respectful work environment * work-life balance * up to 2 days of telework after 90 days of employment for non supervisors - 1 day of telework for supervisors * generous leave * more holidays than the federal government, including Christmas week off * free parking as well as free transportation to/from Ballston metro * paid lunch breaks * professional development tuition assistance * tuition assistance for your children enrolled in our diocesan schools after 1 year of employment * generous benefits, including a pension plan *

[Apply here](#)

The Music Room

Upcoming Live Music Room Tutorials
Want to learn more about the NPM Music Room?

The National Office will be offering live tutorials in January and February! These live tutorials will help you get the most out of your membership on the Music Room, including setting up your profile, renewing your membership, connecting with fellow members and more. Save the dates:

The Music Room (Beginner)
Monday, January 22, 2024: 12:30 pm ET/9:30 am PT

The Music Room (Intermediate/Advanced)
Tuesday, February 6, 2024: 8 pm ET/5 pm PT



NPM is excited to offer a 4-week virtual sight singing workshop in 2024! This four-week workshop, designed for choral singers, cantors, instrumentalists, and anyone interested in building their music-reading skills, will help learners build the tools necessary to read and sing music at sight. **This workshop will take place from 8-9:30 pm Eastern Time on January 22; January 29; February 5; and February 12, 2024.** Due to the hands-on nature of this series, space is limited for this workshop and will sell out. Just a few spots are left. Don't delay- register today!

[Register Here](#)

Supporting Chapter of



ONE NPM

www.npm.org/donate

NPM's ONE NPM campaign is underway for 2023! Our annual appeal asks for the support of NPM's members and friends of the association so we can continue to live our mission: fostering the art of musical liturgy in the Catholic Church in the United States today.

NPM has been - and continues to be - a leader in the field of pastoral music formation today: from local and national training events, to live educational webinars, to networking opportunities, NPM is a critical asset in a pastoral musician's toolbox to foster musical skill, prayer, and liturgical knowledge in Catholic parishes today.

Will you consider a financial contribution to further our goals? Every donation helps to ensure NPM's future in the months and years to come. Give today at npm.org/donate. Thank you for your generosity!





Fountains of Faith

47TH ANNUAL NPM NATIONAL CONVENTION
JULY 8-11, 2024 | KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

The 47th Annual NPM National Convention will take place in Kansas City, Missouri, from **July 8-11, 2024**.

The theme, "Fountains of Faith," is inspired by the fountains of Kansas City: over 200 fountains are scattered through the city, which originated in the 1800s as a way to provide drinking water to animals as they traveled through the city (source: VisitKC.com). Fountains, both new and old, now populate Kansas City, giving the city its theme of "City of Fountains."



Source: David Arbogast, VisitKC.com

Check out the Convention Homepage for registration and more info!



2024 Convention Information

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Registration opens in January, so check the main convention page for schedules, and details!

www.npm.org/2023/06/05/2024-convention-information/

Membership Alert!

**IMPORTANT! Your Chapter relies
HEAVILY on your Renewals!**

The local Chapters only receive membership dues through the National Office. When you renew or join you **MUST** elect which local Chapter, or the local Chapters will not receive the funding. This makes programming events and workshops hard for our local area, so **PLEASE PLEASE** designate your local Chapter when renewing Membership at www.npm.org. If you are unsure, please contact Keisna Sosa membership@npm.org and she will help you!

Renew or Become a Member?
Use QR Code Below:



Submissions to the Newsletter

Do you have an event going on at your parish?
Do you have something to say or would like to share about your ministry and/or formation?
The newsletter is published every other month.
Please give all submissions to Katie Evans at WashingtonDC@npm.org and they will be accepted for social media/communications ASAP, no waiting for the newsletter!





NPM Q&A Live
January 10, 2024
3 pm Eastern/12 pm Pacific

Want to hear more about what's in store for NPM? Join us live on Wednesday, January 10 at 3 pm Eastern/12 pm Pacific, via NPM's YouTube channel!

A Select-level membership offers the same benefits as our Basic-level membership;
 a Select Plus-level membership gives you Basic-level benefits, a subscription to Pastoral Music magazine, and a 5% discount on NPM programming (including the National Convention).



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New Discounted Membership Options

Clergy: \$89
Religious: \$89
Retired/Emeriti: \$89
Student*: \$59

Provides Select Plus (formerly Basic)-level benefits

*Student discount available to high school or undergraduate students with valid ID

Learn more at www.npm.org/membership

In addition to these changes, NPM will now offer discounted membership for retired pastoral musicians, clergy, students, and those serving in religious life! These discounted memberships will receive the benefits of a Select Plus-level membership.

You will also see Standard- and Premium-level membership dues increase by \$4-10. Additionally, a \$10 discount is now available to these members by opting out of the print version of Pastoral Music, making the eco-friendly choice to receive it digitally instead.

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Pastoral Music Digital Discount

Go paperless with Pastoral Music and receive a \$10 discount on your membership:

Select Plus Level: \$89 - \$10 discount = **\$79**
 Standard Level: \$139 - \$10 discount = **\$129**
 Premium Level: \$199 - \$10 discount = **\$189**

Learn more at www.npm.org/membership

All stated membership changes will go into effect on February 1, 2024.

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