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## SPRING NPM EVENT

April 1, 2017

St. Joseph's Parish in Spearfish, SD

9:30-10:00am Registration and refreshments

10:00 am Welcome and prayer

10:20- 12:15 Dr. Nancy Roberts presenting on  
"Good Vocal Production and Vocal Health".

or Cantor Certification with Tammy Schnittgrund

12:15-12:45 Lunch

12:45 – 1:15 Business meeting

1:15-2:15 Psalms Beyond Response and Acclaim by  
Tammy Schnittgrund

2:15 Prayer

Please RSVP/ Register (for lunch count): Pat McDowell, NPM  
Chapter Secretary/ Treasurer at [patmcdowell44@gmail.com](mailto:patmcdowell44@gmail.com) or  
(605) 341-2174 by Monday, March 27, 2017.

On April 1 at St. Joseph's parish in Spearfish, we will be privileged to hear **Dr. Nancy Roberts** present "Good Vocal Production and Vocal Health." These are skills every singer will find beneficial as well as their directors. Rarely do we have an opportunity to host such an esteemed presenter so please mark your calendars.



Dr. Nancy Roberts is an associate professor of voice, opera and music education at Black Hills State University. She received her Doctorate in voice from the University of Kansas where she was a regular with Kansas University Opera Theater. Dr. Roberts has performed roles in many operas, musicals and plays, including "The Mother in Amahl and the Night Visitors" at The Matthews Opera House. Her students have placed first in both the South Dakota MTNA (Music Teachers National Association) competitions and the South Dakota NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing) competitions. She has given many master classes, including the 2012 MTNA competition in Aberdeen. Dr. Roberts received her Master's in voice from Indiana University and a Bachelor's in voice from William Jewell College.

## Cantor Certification

Tammy Schnittgrund will be offering cantor certification at the April 1, 2017 meeting. Tammy has recently been appointed to the position of Chair, NPM Cantor Steering Committee for the nation.

Please refer to the Scope and Sequence for Cantor Certificates found on the NPM website for more details on the certificates. A Basic Cantor Certificate is required before applying for any of the other certificates. In addition, a membership in NPM is required to apply. You can also be included on your parish's membership.

Refer to the BCC or ICC application for a list of psalms and other singing requirements before attending the meeting. Prepare the psalms and other Mass parts before attending. The applications can be found on [npmrc.org](http://npmrc.org) as well as on the Cantor Certification page of [npm.org](http://npm.org).



National Pastoral Musicians Focus on Weddings

On February 4th, about three dozen music liturgists gathered at Our Lady of the Black Hills Church in Piedmont. To start us off, Our Lady of the Black Hills musicians led us in Morning Prayer followed by Fr. Michel Mulloy informing us about the New Order of Christian Matrimony that became mandatory December 30, 2016. During the course of Fr. Mulloy's presentation, he pointed out the differences between the previous rite and the new rite that we use now.

After a hearty beef stew lunch provided by Our Lady of the Black Hills parish, we enjoyed listening to a variety of wedding psalms sung by musicians from St. John the Baptist (Custer), Sacred Heart (Philip), Rapid City (Our Lady of Perpetual Help & Blessed Sacrament), Our Lady of the Black Hills (Piedmont) and Holy Cross (Timber Lake). In the words of one attendee, "Very nicely done. Hospitality was great and useful presentation and psalm presentations. Good change to meet others."

All Rapid City Diocese music ministers and clergy are encouraged to attend quarterly NPM meetings at which education, prayer and fellowship are the focal points. For more information about the Rapid City Chapter of National Pastoral Musicians, go to our website ([www.npmrc.org](http://www.npmrc.org)) or Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/NPMRapidCityChapter](http://www.facebook.com/NPMRapidCityChapter)).

## 2017 Winter Meeting Evaluation Results

Saturday, February 4, 2017

Our Lady of the Black Hills Church

Piedmont, SD

1. Welcome and morning prayer. Average= 16% Very good= 34% Excellent= 50%	2. Overview of the New Order of Christian Matrimony by Fr. Michel Mulloy. Very Good= 17% Excellent= 83%
3. Business Meeting Average= 16% Very good=50% Excellent= 34%	4. Wedding Psalms Demonstration with Handouts Very good= 50% Excellent= 50%
5. Closing Prayer Average= 16% Excellent= 84%	6. Overall Rating Very good= 50% Excellent= 50%
Comments about the 2017 winter meeting: *very nicely done. Hospitality was great and useful presentation and psalm presentations. Good chance to meet others	Suggestions for future NPM meeting topics, speakers, or meeting locations: *I listened to the first cantor webinars and there was some very good information. I will be listening to more. * Maybe have similar sessions on funeral liturgies.



LEAH SEDLACEK WILL BE MAKING A PRESENTATION ON

### **FOCUS**

AT OUR JULY MEETING

FOCUS is a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the gospel to college and university students. Trained in Church teaching, prayer, sacred Scripture, evangelization and discipleship, FOCUS missionaries encounter students in friendship where they are, inviting them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and accompanying them as they pursue lives of virtue and excellence. Through Bible studies, outreach events, mission trips and one-on-one discipleship, missionaries inspire and build up students in the faith, sending them out to spread the good news and to live out the Great Commission: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations (Mt. 28:19).



**Chrism Mass April 3, 2017**

Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help

Please come and sing in the choir

Rehearsals will be:

Sunday, March 19 1:00-2:30

Saturday, March 25 10:00-12:00

Sunday, April 2 1:00-2:30

Any questions please call Terry Schroeder  
(605) 341-1143



**NATIONAL NPM EVENTS**

40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL NPM CONVENTION

CINCINNATI, OH

JULY 10-14, 2017

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