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Rapid City Chapter of National Pastoral Musicians



Celebrating Our Rapid City NPM Chapter's 30th Anniversary (1991-2021)

We extend congratulations and sincere appreciation to our music ministers across the Rapid City diocese as they celebrate 30 years as a Chapter of the National Pastoral Musicians organization.

Did you know? The Rapid City NPM Chapter ...

... is one of the longest-serving NPM chapters in the United States!

... holds quarterly meetings across the diocese, providing learning opportunities, workshops, fellowship, and community for music ministers in our diocesan parishes. They regularly invite nationally-recognized leaders in Catholic music to present at annual meetings.

... members have led presentations for musicians across the country at NPM national conventions, and have held national leadership roles in the Committee for NPM Chapters, Cantor Steering Committee, and NPM Council!!

... was named the 2019 National Chapter of the Year!

We invite all music ministers across the diocese to help celebrate this milestone anniversary at our Fall Meeting & St. Cecilia Banquet, to be held Oct 8-9 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral in Rapid City, SD.

*Please send RSVP with \$15 payment for catered meal - before Wednesday, Oct 6, 2021 - to:
Bonnie Josten, 3343 Pinewood Dr., Rapid City, SD 57702*

We are thrilled to announce Dr. Dan Girardot, D. Min, from Austin, TX will be this year's featured speaker.

Friday, Oct 8 (6:30pm-9:30pm)

- Awake the Soul: Music Ministry as a Spiritual Practice

Saturday, Oct 9 (9:30am - 3:30pm)

- Extraordinary Time: Best Practices for Music Ministry, in COVID Time & Beyond
- Small Choir, Big Music: Care & Feeding of the Rural Pastoral Musician
- Music Reading Session, with Skill Building for Directors & Cantors
- Annual Awards to musicians, silent auction, special 30th anniversary commemorations, and more!



Dr. Daniel Girardot is a professor of music and liturgy, cantor and choral clinician, conductor for children, youth, and adult choirs, and a retreat director. He is also a pastoral musician, liturgist, spiritual director, consultant, and author.

He holds a bachelor's degree in choral music education, master in theology and liturgical studies, a certification in spiritual direction, and is a Doctor of Ministry from The Catholic University of America. He is an adjunct professor at both Alverno College and Mexican American Catholic College, an affiliate of Assumption Seminary and Incarnate Word University.

Dr. Girardot served in parish and campus ministries for more than four decades, with over 37 years as Director of Liturgy and Music at St. Theresa Parish in Austin, TX. He served the Diocese of Austin as founding Office of Worship Director, Diocesan Coordinator of Music, and faculty member for the Institute for Spiritual Direction, Institute for Ministry, and Deacon Formation programs.

Dr. Girardot was the founding NPM Austin Chapter Director and serves on several advisory boards and committees for NPM, SWLC Board of Directors, and Diocese of Austin Liturgical Commission. He served on the Papal Visit Planning Committee and frequently presents at national conferences and dioceses throughout the country. With his wife Ann Marie, he is a devoted husband and ministry partner, the father of three adult musicians, and the grandfather of one beautiful little singer. His mission in the vineyard of the Lord is to cooperate with God's call to invite others to encounter Christ in liturgy, ministry, and everyday life, while seeking to build bridges for cultural inclusion in the Church.