

NPM Rapid City Chapter Summer Newsletter

May/June 2016



Summer NPM Event Choir Festival





Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rapid City, SD

Rehearsal Times
Friday, June 10th 6:30pm – 9:30pm &
Saturday, June 11th 8:30am – 4:30pm
Choir Festival Concert*
Saturday, June 11th 7:30pm - 8:30pm



Led by Anella and Clayton Southwick

Register by June 1st by contacting Kathy Little at (605) 484-7817 or lovingtrust@live.com

Registration cost is \$15.00 (includes 2 meals, refreshments, and ice cream social).

During the Choir Festival concert a free will offering will be collected to benefit the Love INC-Catholic Social Services Prosperity Initiative.

Come, Let Us Sing Joyfully to the LORD.

More details about this event found within this newsletter!!

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Letter from the Co-Directors

Dear NPM members,

We are so excited about our upcoming NPM Choir Festival on June 10 & 11. It was ten years ago that we had our last festival with Dr. Tom Porter from Bismarck. Our rehearsals will start on Friday evening and continue through Saturday. Anella and Clayton Southwick, retired teachers from Stevens and Central High Schools in Rapid City, have selected music with a wide range of appeal. Trust me, you will enjoy working on this music. So often, we as music ministers are the instructors and workers. At our Choir Festival, you will be served. What a wonderful opportunity to rehearse and enjoy singing 4-part music in order to "make a glorious sound unto the Lord." Often, we are not given that chance because there aren't resources available in our community, we're too busy, or we've let that part of our musicianship lay idle. Bring your friends even if they don't sing in your choir.

Come to the festival. Clayton and Anella will help revitalize your musical being. We will conclude our rehearsals with a Mass at OLPH at 5:30PM on Saturday. The fruits of our labors will be sung at our concert starting at 7:30PM. There will be a free-will offering taken at the concert for Love INC. and Catholic Social Services.

God bless.

Jackie Schnittgrund on behalf of Jackie Schnittgrund and Carman Timmerman Co-directors Rapid City NPM Chapter

Schedule for the 2016 Summer NPM Event - Choir Festival

at Cathedral of OLPH in Rapid City, SD

Friday, June 10, 2016	12:15pm-12:45pm Lunch
6:30pm-7:00pm Registration	12:45pm-1:00pm NPM Business Meeting**
7:00pm-9:00pm Rehearsal	**Including elections for Secretary, Treasurer & Animator for Koinania - Consider running for one of these positions**
9:00pm-9:30pm Closing Prayer	1:00pm-3:00pm Rehearsal
	3:00pm-3:15pm Break
Saturday, June 11, 2016	3:15pm-4:30pm Rehearsal
8:30am-9:00am Registration &	4:30pm-5:15pm Light Dinner
Refreshments	5:15pm-6:30pm Mass
9:00am-10:30am Rehearsal	6:30pm-7:30pm Break/Readying
10:30am-11:00am Break	7:30pm-8:30pm Choir Festival
11:00am-12:15pm Rehearsal	8:30pm-9:15pm

Philip's Sacred Heart Parish Hosts National Pastoral Musicians

Thirty liturgical musicians met on March 5th, 2016 at Sacred Heart Church in Philip. We were blessed with great travel weather and excellent program offerings.

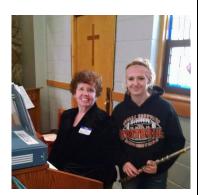
Parish members and Pastor Fr. Kevin Achbach made us feel right at home. Fr. Achbach gave us a priest's perspective on the direction sacred music should lead us.

Rapid City's Blessed Sacrament parish Terry Schroeder led us in song as we sight-read a selection of Oregon Catholic Press (OCP) music. We were given music to take home, compliments of OCP.

Jackie Schnittgrund, also from Blessed Sacrament in Rapid City, provided some tips on incorporating various instruments in the liturgy—a musical enhancement and an effective recruiting tactic. She enlisted local Sacred Heart talent to demonstrate creative ways to enrich the music liturgy.







Evaluation Results of Spring NPM Event in Philip, SD

Number of Meeting Attendees = 30 Number of Evaluations Submitted = 9 (30%)

1 – Poor 2 - Below Average 3 – Average 4 - Very Good 5 – Excellent

Morning Prayer	Very Good (4) =11% Excellent (5) =89%
"Where Sacred Music Should Lead Us"	Very Good (4) =11% Excellent (5) =89%
"OCP Sight Reading"	Very Good (4) =100%
NPM Business Meeting	Average (3) =11% Very Good (4) =33%
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"Incorporating Instruments in the Liturgy and Use as a Recruiting Tool"	Very Good (4) =12.5% Excellent (5) = 87.5%
Closing Prayer	Excellent (5) =100%
Overall Rating	Very Good (4) =12.5% Excellent (5) =87.5%

NPM is promoting the following:

Is your parish or deanery interested in a session for your cantors? If so, consider contacting Teresa Spiess. She and her husband, Brian, recently went to Timber Lake and presented both a cantor and guitar workshop. Weeks later they returned for a follow-up. It was very well received. The cantors worked on the paslms and Gospel acclamations for the upcoming 5-6 weeks. Included was work on phrasing the chant as well as some hands-on practicing of the paslms. As a bonus, the singers worked on the technical vocal things as needed - breathing, vowel sounds, tone placement. Attention was given to gaining confidence and feeling good about their ministry. All of this is available for the cost of Teresa and Brian's expenses. A stipend is optional. Interested parties are available for the cost of Teresa and Brian's expenses. A stipend is optional. Interested parties are available for the cost of Teresa at the cost of Teresa and Brian's expenses. A stipend is optional. Interested parties are ited so flexibility may be required.

Upcoming NPM Events

Fall NPM Retreat & St. Cecilia Banquet

Presented by Sandi Ohlen & Sr. Lorane Coffin

Terra Sancta, Rapid City, SD October 15, 2016

39th Annual National NPM Convention

"The Church Sings"
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July 11-16, 2016

RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED

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c/o Blessed Sacrament Church

Jackie Schnittgrund

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