



NPM Wichita Noteworthy

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is just around the corner. You don't want to miss it!

The meeting will be **Sunday, April 28 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Church of the Magdalen. The results of the election will be announced as well as a presentation of more than 25 Young Liturgical Musician Awards.

The Vietnamese Lion Dancers from St. Anthony Parish will provide special entertainment and be followed by refreshments. Please mark your calendars to attend.

[RSVP Now](#)



Tom Wierman,
Chapter Director

Young Liturgical Musician Awards

NPM seeks to direct young musicians to view service as a liturgical musician as a stewardship opportunity. This is to encourage and further the youths' liturgical music participation beyond high school and while in college and to stay connected to music ministry from youth through adulthood.

The response has been tremendous, but there is still an opportunity to make nominations before April 15.

The award categories are Novice, Apprentice, and Minister. The categories approximate age bracket for each; a young student as Novice, high school age as Apprentice, and college age or older as Minister.

Nominations come from Pastors, Choir Directors, and Music Teachers in our Catholic school system. For more information, see the [Resources page at npmwichita.org](#) for 1) The Young Liturgical Musician Initiative and 2) the nomination form to submit names of worthy, aspiring young liturgical musicians.

Ice Cream and Handbells

Ice cream and handbells don't exactly go together. Actually, the ice cream will **AFTER** we've handled the bells, but maybe the heading got your attention.

We have a fun session planned for **Sunday, June 23** where we'll learn some basics about handbell ringing, have an opportunity to do some ringing, have a choral music reading session, and then finish with delicious ice cream.

If you want to learn to ring a handbell or learn the different ways to play a bell, this is your event. If you want to come learn and sing new music, this is your event. If you just want to eat some ice cream on a hot June day, this is also your event.

Maybe you get the point—you don't want to miss this!

This event takes place at St. Vincent de Paul, Andover from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Mark your calendars now!



Upcoming Events

April 28, 2019

Annual Meeting & Youth Musician Awards
Vietnamese Lion Dancers will provide special entertainment
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Church of the Magdalen—Parish Hall
12626 E 21st St N, Wichita

May 19, 2019

Board Meeting
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Rosalie Goebel's Home
335 S Fairhaven Rd, Wichita

June 23, 2019

Handbells, Ice Cream and Music Reading Session
2:00-4:30 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul
123 N Andover Rd, Andover

July 16-19, 2019

NPM National Convention
Raleigh, NC
Registration is open at npm.org

August 11, 2019

Parish Liaison Appreciation
2:00-4:00 p.m.
St. Thomas Aquinas (Assembly Room)
1321 Stratford Ln

September 9, 2019

Pastoral Musician Blessing
5:30 p.m.
Reception to follow
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
430 N Broadway, Wichita

January 25, 2020

Pastoral Musician's Workshop
Presenter: ValLimar Jansen

St. Cecilia Sing

The date for the 2019 St. Cecilia Sing is tentatively October 20. We may change the date by a week or two, so we don't conflict with an AGO event in October. We hope by scheduling the St. Cecilia Sing a month earlier, it might allow for more participation.

We are still looking for a few members to serve on the planning committee for this event. The job duties of this committee are to plan and organize the St. Cecilia Sing That would include finding a location, planning a program (similar to what has been done previously, or something different), and conducting the event on that day.

The planning committee could meet in person, or by phone as the initial planning takes place. If interested, please email director@npmwichita.org.

Event Hosting

Would your parish consider hosting a future chapter event? Please contact director@npmwichita.org or any board member to volunteer. Hosting an event essentially entails booking the parish facility and taking care of the hospitality through your choir members or working with the hospitality committee. The event might be in a parish hall or in the church where we have access to an organ and piano. Parishes where the accompaniment can be done from the front probably works better than from choir lofts, but we will consider any offers made.

2020 Musician's Workshop

January 25, 2020, the date of our next annual musician workshop, should be on your calendar.

NPM Wichita is thrilled to welcome ValLimar Jansen to the Diocese of Wichita for this event!

More details will be released soon, but she will present during the morning and then perform in concert at 7 p.m. Please watch the website for additional information. St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Andover, will host the workshop and concert.



Resource Gem

This is a repeat of an item provided earlier, but I still find pastoral musicians who don't know about the OCP Breaking Bread Digital Music Library.

Here you can browse songs, see sample music and hear sound clips. You can also let your cantors and choir members hear the recordings of the weekly Psalm and Gospel Acclamations from Respond and Acclaim.

This is a great resource. Bookmark this link and share it with your choir members.

<https://www.icrmusic.org/en-us/14/page/331>