



NPM Wichita Noteworthy

Annual Meeting

There are a few second order effects of the annual meeting cancellation that I wanted to briefly discuss.

The Youth Initiative awards, originally scheduled for presentation at the annual meeting, have been moved to the Annual Musician Blessing on September 13, 2020. An outline of the initiative, as well as the nomination form, can be found on the Resources tab on the website www.npmwichita.org.

Pastoral Musician Service Awards, for those who have been involved in Liturgical Music for at least 25 years, will also be given on September 13. There is a nomination form in the resource section just below the Youth Initiative details.

The Ice Cream Social and Chapter 5th Anniversary celebration planned for June will also be combined into the Annual Musician Blessing.

Proposed Bylaws Change & Officer Election

There will be a vote to change the Bylaws allowing for a Chapter Director-elect. It is good business practice to have a succession plan in place. The board feels this is vital to the on-going success of our chapter.

The chapter previously elected a Chapter Director every two years, but if a person was new to the role, there is a great deal of on-the-job learning. With the "elect" position, the office holder will work with the current Chapter Director for a year to better understand the responsibilities and then fully assume the position as the Chapter Director moves to the Past Chapter Director position.

The Officers of NPM Wichita are Chapter Director, Treasurer and Secretary. Chapter Director and Treasurer are elected for two-year periods in even-ending years. The Secretary is also a two-year position, elected in the odd-ending years.

With the proposed Bylaws change, assuming it is approved, the Chapter Director-elect and Treasurer will be on the ballot.

Candidates for Chapter Director-elect and Treasurer are Charlene Dreiling and Marjorie Flesher respectively. Thank you both for offering your leadership gifts to the chapter.

As per the NPM and NPM-Wichita Chapter Bylaws, only chapter members who are also NPM members in good standing can cast a ballot. Ballots will be sent by email on May 18.



Tom Wierman,
Chapter Director



Upcoming Events

July 6-10, 2020

NPM National Convention—online!
Louisville, Kentucky

Sunday, September 13, 2020

Evening Vespers, Musician Blessing, & Youth Musician Awards

5:30 p.m.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Light supper to follow in Good Shepherd Hall

Sunday, November 22, 2020

St. Cecilia Sing

St. Cecilia Parish—Haysville

2:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 30, 2021

Pastoral Musician Workshop

Does your parish have a music position opening?

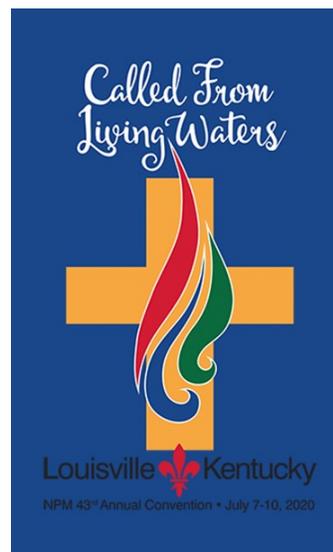
Send an email to admin@npmwichita.org to list your parish's open position on the chapter website and Facebook pages.

National Convention

Another casualty of the global pandemic is the NPM Convention, originally scheduled for Louisville, Kentucky July 6 to 10. National NPM members have been receiving information about a virtual meeting option. It will look and feel a little different than if we were meeting in person, however, a virtual option gives more options to attend at least some of the convention. The convention, even though virtual, will have a charge depending on what you sign up for. Details are emerging on the [NPM Website](#).

One of my favorite convention events is the publisher music showcases. OCP, GIA, WLP, and others have a dedicated hour to read and learn new music. Those are often livestreamed and then posted as a recorded event on the publisher website (without charge).

Should have you any questions about the convention events, feel free to contact any of the board members.



St. Cecilia Sing

The date for the 2020 St. Cecilia Sing is November 22 at St. Cecilia parish in Haysville.

We are looking for a few members to serve on the planning committee for this event. The planning committee will be starting soon, so please make your interest known to me (director@npmwichita.org) or through any other board member.

Each man has his own music bubbling up inside him.

-Louis Armstrong, trumpeter, composer, vocalist, actor

