Mark Your Calendars --

The Diocese of Columbus Choir Festival
Sunday, November 14, 2004

Come and make music with other musicians in the diocese as we celebrate the Feast of St. Cecilia through a festival of choirs! This event is open to both choirs and individual singers and will culminate with a concert of music from Mozart to gospel featuring individual choirs from around the diocese, congregational singing and the Festival Choir and Handbell Choir.

Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
3710 Broadway, Grove City, Ohio

Schedule:
2:00 p.m. -- Registration
2:15 p.m. -- Festival Choir Rehearsal
4:30 p.m. -- Dinner (catered, vegetarian option will be available)
6:45 p.m. -- Prelude by Handbell Choir
7:00 p.m. -- Concert

Fee: (for participation in Festival Choir)
$10.00 (payable at door, includes music and dinner)

Concert is free and open to all!
For more information contact:
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This festival is cosponsored by the Diocese of Columbus and the Columbus Chapter of the National Pastoral Musicians and will be held in conjunction with the NPM National St. Cecilia Sing. For more information on the St. Cecilia Sing, visit www.npm.org.

If you cannot be part of the festival, consider joining us for the concert!

Enclosed is a flyer for the concert, please consider sharing this concert with your parish by posting the flyer or inserting it in your parish bulletin.
Thanks!

Great things are planned for the rest of 2005 including a Dan Schutte concert and workshop on September 30 and October 1, 2005!
Columbus NPM Calendar, December 2004 - July 2005

December 4, 2004, Saturday, St. Thomas the Apostle, Columbus, 9:00 a.m., Core Committee

January 22, 2005, Saturday, Holy Spirit, Columbus 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,
The Care and Feeding of the Voice with Kerrie Obert -- A morning seminar on vocal health and hygiene

February 5, 2005, Saturday, St. Thomas the Apostle, Columbus, 9:00 a.m., Core Committee

March/April, 2005, Date, Time and Location TBD, Pastoral Musicians Recognition Dinner

June 27 - July 1, 2005, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
That Your Joy May Be Complete -- 2005 NPM National Convention
Information from National NPM will be available in January 2005. Bus from Columbus to Milwaukee is under discussion. More information to come!

Please note: As with much of life, all dates and programs are subject to change

Other Diocesan Events, October - December 2004

October 24, 2004, Sunday, 5:00 p.m. 
Come Worship Him!
The Community of Holy Rosary St. John, 648 S. Ohio Ave., Columbus
The Community of Holy Rosary St. John Gospel Choir is presenting a concert entitled “Come Worship Him!” The concert is free and open to the public; there will be a free will offering to support concert costs and the food and clothes pantry at the community.

October 31, 2004, Sunday, 4:00 p.m. 
Three Choirs Festival at First Congregational Church
The choirs of St. Joseph Cathedral, First Congregational Church and Broad Street Presbyterian Church will join together for a program of English and American choral music to celebrate the restoration of First Congregational’s Kimball organ. Along with the performance, there will be an opportunity to sing hymns with the 150 voice choir.

November 21, 2004, Sunday 2:30 p.m., The Claviersburg III, St. Brigid of Kildare, 7179 Avery Rd., Dublin
The Claviersburg III (often termed the “Organ Mass”) by J. S. Bach will be performed by Dr. Elizabeth A. Krouse. Dr. Krouse earned the degree Master of Music at the University of Colorado, Boulder, where she studied with Don Vollstedt, and the degree Doctor of Musical Arts at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, studying with John Ditto and John Obetz. She currently serves as Organist/Director of Music and Liturgy at St. Brigid of Kildare. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, please call the church office, 614-761-3734.

November 21, 2004, Sunday, 5:00 p.m. 
Dedication of St. Mary of the Annunciation, Portsmouth
St. Mary of the Annunciation Church in Portsmouth is undergoing major restoration and has been closed since June. Nearing completion, dedication of the space is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. with the bishop presiding. The choir, under the direction of Barbara Blockner, will present a program at 5:00 p.m., prior to Mass. All are invited to attend and help St Mary’s celebrate this special liturgy!

December 12, 2004, Sunday, 7:30 p.m. 
Candlelight Lessons and Carols, St. Joseph Cathedral
The Cathedral Choir, Schola, brass ensemble and organists present the popular annual celebration of Advent Lessons and Carols. Charles Stanford’s double-choir setting of the Magnificat will be on the program as well as opportunities to sing carols with the choir and brass.
Suggested donation: $10.00.

NPM Officer Elections

The officer election was delayed in September due to electronic difficulties and elections will occur at the January meeting. Unable to attend the meeting? You can vote electronically at www.npm-columbus.org or by obtaining a mail-in ballot by contacting Michele Jorgensen at 614-901-0759.
All votes must be received by Friday, January 20, 2005.