

# NPM Organist Liaison

**The National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM)** is a membership organization primarily composed of musicians, musician-liturgists, clergy, and other leaders of prayer devoted to serving the life and mission of the Church through fostering the art of musical liturgy in Roman Catholic worshipping communities in the United States of America.

**The Section for Organists** is a special interest group within NPM addressing the needs and concerns of organists. Special attention is given to quality workshops, organ recitals and other events at NPM Conventions, as well as programs outside of conventions, such as the Certification procedures and Young Organists programs.

**The Organist Liaison** is the liaison between the NPM Section for Organists and the local NPM chapter. At the same time, this person is an active member of the local AGO (American Guild of Organists) Chapter and could potentially co-ordinate activities between these two associations.

**The purpose of the Organist Liaison** is to provide events for NPM organists on the local level through the NPM Chapter. The Organist Liaison also shares ideas with other Organist Liaisons and communicates local concerns that need to be addressed on the national level to the NPM Standing Committee for Organists. The local Organist Liaison is encouraged to be creative in programming and to fulfill the needs of organists in the local chapter.

**The local chapter** and the Organist Liaison will determine the focus of organ activities:

This could include one or more of the following:

- Certification Training
- Young Organists Workshops
- Connecting Teachers with Prospective Students
- Organ Crawls
- Organ Recitals
- Organ Workshops on a variety of topics

The areas of Certification and Young Organists are national priorities for the NPM Section for Organists. Organist Liaisons will be invaluable in supporting these programs.

**Requirements for the Organist Liaison:** NPM Chapter Directors are to appoint persons who meet the following requirements:

- 1) is a member in good standing of NPM as well as the NPM *Section for Organists* (simply check the appropriate box when renewing NPM dues; no extra fee)
- 2) is a member in good standing of the American Guild of Organists
- 3) agrees to serve a 2-year term (renewable by the local chapter)

If you are interested in serving as an Organist Liaison, contact your local NPM Chapter Director and submit the completed form below.

Organist Liaison for \_\_\_\_\_ NPM Chapter

In the Diocese/Archdiocese (circle one) of \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

AGO Chapter in which you hold membership \_\_\_\_\_

Appointed \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) (signed by Chapter Director)

This information will be compiled in a Directory of Organist Liaisons to be used by the NPM Standing Committee on Organists.

Please send completed form to:

Stephanie Honz  
St. Louis Church  
64 South Main Street  
Pittsford, NY 14534

*Any questions?*

Call Stephanie (585) 586-5675 x251 [shonz@rochester.rr.com](mailto:shonz@rochester.rr.com)

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