



44TH NPM ANNUAL CONVENTION + NEW ORLEANS

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To the Parish Leadership of an NPM Member:

Thank you for your service to the Church through your time, talent and treasure! Your work in building the Kingdom does not go unnoticed, and as fellow ministers we are grateful. Your support of pastoral music helps your parish to experience vibrant worship week after week.

Today we reach out to you on behalf of your music minister. They are a valued member of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians, and in the past they may have received support in order to attend our National Convention. In light of COVID-19, our National Convention looks a little bit different this year, and we'd like to share why it would benefit you and your parish for your pastoral musician to attend.

This year presents a unique challenge as pastoral musicians prepare for a singing assembly and the return of our choirs. The convention offers many opportunities to attend sessions based specifically on this topic and networking opportunities to share best practices.

- First and foremost, if there was ever a year to provide financial support for pastoral musicians to attend a national convention, this is it. There has never been a time in the Church's history where ministry requires education about how to rebuild and gather a parish's ministers. COVID-19 has created new and unique challenges when it comes to ministry, and we will be addressing said challenges at the 2021 National Convention.
- Aware of travel concerns and financial situations, our convention is a hybrid event. Our in-person opportunity offers choral reading sessions and other content that cannot be fully replicated in a virtual experience. The virtual platform allows pastoral musicians to participate when funding is limited. All attendees have access to the on-line convention through September 30, 2021.
- All handouts and resources will be provided electronically, which is safer for our attendees and better for our environment. Resources will be available through September 30.

The National Convention is an incredible and needed resource for all pastoral musicians. Financial support will provide a great return on your investment not only by supporting a singing church but also empowering your music minister to enhance their knowledge and skills. Thank you for your support!



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