

A Message from the Director of Music

Last weekend at all masses I made an announcement to the parish community that I will be resigning from my position as Director of Music as of August 15. A new opportunity has come to fruition, and I could not pass this up. In April I received confirmation for admission to pursue a Doctor of Musical Arts (D.M.A.) degree in Choral Conducting at the University of Connecticut (UConn) in Storrs, CT. This is a three-year program. After completing my studies, it is my hope to become a professor of music, specifically Director of Choral Activities, at a college or university.

I heard about this Director of Music position back in Summer 2015 from John Zapata, choir director at Sunday 9:30am mass. It is because of his referral that I considered applying to St. Francis. Thank you, John! When I came in to interview, the Music Search Committee was well-aware that hiring me would be a risk because I clearly stated my overall intention was to go back to school. Almost three years later that dream has come true and, in pursuit of that dream, I have had the pleasure of meeting some of the most loving, caring, hospitable, generous people here at St. Francis! I love you all!

Peace and all good,
Tim Mascarinas

There will be a "Thank you, Tim" event sometime in August, so be sure to watch the bulletin & our Facebook page for more info.



DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS



Director of Music for St. Francis of Assisi Parish -

a vibrant Catholic community in the tradition of St. Francis and St. Clare, located in Sacramento, CA. We are an inclusive community, respecting the dignity of all persons and supporting the journey of each person.

Candidates should have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree, preferably in music, theology, religious studies, or similar religious background and experience. Candidates should also demonstrate proficient keyboard and choral conducting skills, vocal technique, and be familiar with music notation software. A practicing Catholic is preferred but not required, however candidates must have a firm foundation in Catholic liturgy and Vatican II theology, and be conversant with a variety of liturgical styles including contemporary, classical, and traditional. We are looking for a music director who is willing to execute music planning for the liturgical year in collaboration with the parish Director of Liturgy, the Liturgy Team, and the Pastor, with a collective approach that encourages our assembly to sing. Working hours are flexible and include weekends and some evenings.

Responsibilities include planning, coordinating and presenting music at weekend liturgies, funerals, and other liturgical celebrations; Recruit, rehearse, and conduct ensembles at weekly rehearsals; Coordinate over 200 volunteers which include three adult choirs, children's choir, cantors, and instrumentalists.

This is a full-time non-exempt position with benefits. Compensation commensurate with experience and qualifications and in accordance with Diocesan guidelines. Remuneration for liturgical music provided at funerals and weddings is outside of compensation for this position. For consideration please send your resume and cover letter to Director of Music Search Committee, St. Francis Parish, 1066 26th St., Sacramento, CA 95816, or by email to resume@stfrancisparish.com.