

# The Denver Timbrel and Harp

## Membership Meeting Notes

A big "thank you" to Fabian Yanez, Director of Music & liturgy at Light of the World, for the wonderful and informative workshop on copyright issues at last month's general membership meeting. Thanks also to Kathy Grywusiewicz at All Souls, for being such a gracious host.

What falls under the copyright law? According to Fabian, any music, written lyrics, pictures, logos, in short, anything that has a copyright on it, needs the publishers or the composer's permission. Any music that is arranged, edited or otherwise changed from its original format also needs permission.

In addition to the three major liturgical publishers, there are a number of companies that umbrella many composers and smaller publishing companies. All of these companies have similar policies with regard to annual licenses and reporting criteria. You need to read each company's policy for individual wording when using copies. Following are some of the questions that were raised.

**Q:** Can past years' music issues be used by another parish that might not have funds to pay for an annual license?

**A:** No, that is not legal. Music issues are generally good for one year. At the end of the liturgical year, they should be thrown away or destroyed.

**Q:** Is it okay to add names to the Litany of the Saints to include those being baptized at the Easter Vigil?

**A:** Fabian stated that he knows John Becker who composed one of the more popular Litanies and who encourages parishes to adapt the litany for their own needs.

When encountering any questions about a piece of music, lyrics, overhead, picture or logo, the best thing to do is to contact the publisher or composer to find out if you are violating copyright law.

Our next board meeting will be Tuesday, June 20 at noon. The membership is asked to contribute any ideas for workshops and other types of forums. Please submit your ideas to Kathy Grywusiewicz, Secretary/Treasurer, at kgry@allsouls55.org or (303) 789-0007.

## July Choir Director Institute

The Denver Chapter of NPM is excited to announce the Choir Director Institute at Regis University from July 24-28th. The faculty includes: Rob Glover, Paul French, Kathleen DeJardin, and David Philippart. For more information or to receive printed brochures write or call the national office at: NPM Institutes, 962 Wayne Avenue, Suite 210, Silver Springs, MD 20910-4461. Phone:(240) 247-3000.

## Bishops to vote on new Order of Mass in English

*Excerpted from Catholic News Service*

The U.S. bishops will be asked to approve a new translation of the Order of Mass when they meet in Los Angeles June 15-17. If the new translation is adopted as proposed and subsequently approved by the Vatican, Catholics will have to learn a number of changes in their Mass prayers and responses. Among the more obvious will be: Whenever the priest says "The Lord be with you," the people will respond, "And with your spirit." The current response is "And also with you"; in the first form of the penitential rite, the people will confess that "I have sinned greatly ... through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." In the current version, that part of the prayer is much shorter: "I have sinned through my own fault"; the Nicene Creed will begin "I believe" instead of "We believe" -- a translation of the Latin text instead of the original Greek text; and the Sanctus will start, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of hosts." The current version says, "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might."

*"I hope your summer is filled with rest and prayer. Remember, there is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time."*

—Gerard DiMartini  
Denver Chapter President

Listen, my faithful children: open up your petals, like roses planted near running waters; Send up the sweet odor of incense, break forth in blossoms like the lily. Send up the sweet odor of your hymn of praise; bless the LORD for all he has done! Proclaim the greatness of his name, loudly sing his praises, With music on the harp and all stringed instruments; sing out with joy as you proclaim: The works of God are all of them good; in its own time every need is supplied.

—Sirach 39:13-16



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