



Office for
Worship

Catholic Diocese
of Cleveland



A Quick Update...

A note from Mary...

I hope you are enjoying this glorious summer weather, and taking some time for rest and reflection! Here are answers to a few questions about the St. Cecilia Institute:

WHERE? *The St. Cecilia Institute will be held at the Center for Pastoral Leadership, 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, OH 44092. It is part of the Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd Academy. There's a link on the [diocesan website](#) home page.*

WHO? *The institute is open to all liturgical musicians. Even if you only choose to come to part of it, please join us for Mass at 7:30pm on Tuesday 8/6/24 in the Sacred Heart Chapel. We will pray with and for each other, and musicians will receive a blessing by Bishop Woost at the conclusion of the Universal Prayer.*

MUSIC DIRECTORS: *Please invite your choirs/members of your ministry to come! Forward this email to them, or [Click here for a downloadable flier you can give them](#). Middle of summer is a great time to check in and make sure they know they are appreciated!*

INSTRUMENTALISTS: *If you happen to play in an ensemble and would like to join the accompanists for Morning Prayer or Mass on Tuesday, feel free to bring your instrument!*

Please see details below. We look forward to seeing you there!



[Click here to register for St. Cecilia Institute](#)

St. Cecilia Institute

Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd Academy is an innovative program dedicated to the ongoing development and education of ministry leaders within the Diocese of Cleveland. With tracts for those within different roles in the Church, it is an opportunity for a variety of ministers to come together for formation all in the same week, on the campus of our beautiful Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe, Ohio.

Part of this initiative, the St. Cecilia Institute for Pastoral Musicians will be held **August 5-6, 2024**. With keynotes, breakouts, master classes, prayer, and plenty of time for socializing, there is something for everyone! Even if you are unable to participate in the entire Institute, please come to our “Gold Mass” with Bishop Woost on Tuesday (8/6/24) evening.

Registration is now open!

[Click here for the schedule of St. Cecilia Institute 2024.](#)

Looking ahead...

Cleveland NPM has taken some time to re-collect under new leadership, and is offering an evening of fellowship for all liturgical musicians in the Diocese of Cleveland on **Friday, August 16, beginning at 7pm**, at St. Basil the Great Church in Brecksville. You don't need to be an NPM member to come - all are welcome! Questions? [Contact Jon Thibo.](#)

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) will replace the current RCIA. The OCIA texts may be used beginning the First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2024. Mandatory use is Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025. The Diocese of Cleveland will be offering workshops to assist with formation and implementation of OCIA. The 3-part workshop series will cover what has changed, the overall vision of OCIA, and celebrating the Rites and Rituals well. **Liturgy and Music Directors may especially want to attend the third workshop of the series!** Details will be in the August 1 Diocesan Memorandum, and on the website soon.

Finally, did you know?

Churches across the US have indicated that one of their greatest challenges is finding qualified ministers to serve as directors of liturgy and music.

We are determined to improve the situation! To that end, Bob Soeder, through St. Mary Magdalene Church, has developed an **Apprenticeship Program** for those who desire employment in the field of liturgical music ministry. With a program customized to the candidate, the goal is to help form well-rounded liturgical musicians who are enabled to make an immediate positive impact in parish ministry.



Sound
interesting?

[Click here for
more
Apprenticeship
information!](#)

Questions?

The Office for Worship is here to help you!

We support the worship needs of each parish in the Diocese of Cleveland - everything from formation of ministers to modifications of sacred space, to supporting major diocesan liturgies.

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