

National Pastoral Musicians Diocese of Richmond Chapter Meeting
Saturday, June 27
10 a.m. – Noon at Christ the King, Norfolk

Bring Your Favorite Octavo (Choral Music)
A reading session of choral favorites from our parishes!

Directors, it's time to dig through your choral music files and find a favorite, tried and true, that you can share at our chapter meeting. Bring all your copies so that everyone attending the meeting can sing it. Invite your choir members to come to the meeting so that your piece will sound as it does at home in your parish, and so that your choir members can experience favorites from other parishes. Bring your accompanist if needed, or try to arrange in advance for someone to play for your piece if you do not.

This is an opportunity to experience new repertoire that is known to work in parishes. It can be from any season of the year. Like a reading session, each director will take the floor, pass out their music, and review the music briefly for repeats, codas, and any tricky sections. The director will explain when, why, and how that piece is used in liturgies, and will explain why the director's parish choir (and perhaps assembly) enjoys singing it so much. After the piece is sung once, time is taken to discuss it before going on to the next piece.

This meeting combines the Music Showcase and Exchange for Learning into one longer segment of the meeting. We'll begin with a short prayer service, have a quick business meeting, and spend the rest of the meeting in song! Instead of Koinonia on-site, we'll adjourn for lunch (Dutch treat) at the No-Frill Grill in Ghent on Spotswood Avenue. It's a quick five minute drive from Christ the King to the restaurant. Driving directions will be provided at the meeting. If you'd like to check out the menu in advance, look up nofrillgrill.com on the internet. If you have not attended a meeting yet, now's the time to give it a try! This will be a lot of fun for everyone, and could give you some new ideas for your coming year. We also have the opportunity for extended fellowship and discussion over lunch.

General Driving Directions to Christ the King Catholic Church, 1803 Columbia Ave., Norfolk:
From I-64, take Tidewater Drive South. Drive a little over 2 miles.
Turn right on Columbia Ave. The church is at the corner of Tidewater and Columbia Ave.
(Or use an internet search map to find the best directions from your location)

Questions? Contact Sylvia Chapa, director, at 757-469-8957 or email whatkey@aol.com