



## March 2014 Newsletter

Information for Parishes from the Meeting of the  
Diocesan Worship Commission (DWC)

### TIMING FOR THE EASTER VIGIL

The sun sets at 8:22 pm on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Therefore, the starting time for the  
Easter Vigil 2014 in the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw is **no  
earlier than 8:45 pm** on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

*Easter Vigil at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption  
is at 9 pm.*

### DIRECTORY OF DIOCESAN PASTORAL MUSICIANS

A directory is being compiled of all pastoral musicians in  
the Diocese of Saginaw. This will be used as a resource  
for musicians that might be available for diocesan  
liturgies or for necessary substitutes in our parishes. To  
be included in this directory, contact Joshua Lukens at  
[jelukens@gmail.com](mailto:jelukens@gmail.com).

### DIOCESE OF SAGINAW OFFICE OF LITURGY WEBSITE

<http://www.saginaw.org/liturgy/office-of-liturgy.html>

OR from the Diocese of Saginaw Homepage,  
Click on "Offices & Ministries", then click on  
"Office of Liturgy"

NEWLY PUBLISHED WEBSITE CONTENT INCLUDES:

- Diocesan Worship Commission Charter and Membership
- Office of Liturgy Quarterly Newsletters
- Newly Promulgated "Guidelines and Protocols for the Design and Renovation of Churches and Chapels"
- Office of Liturgy's Guidelines for Lent, Holy Week, the Sacred Paschal Triduum & Easter Season 2014
- Resource from the FDLC for Lent, Triduum and the Easter Season 2014

### UPCOMING EPISCOPAL LITURGIES

*Liturgies Planned for the Cathedral of Mary  
of the Assumption, Unless Otherwise Noted*

- Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am
- Mass on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 am, Honoring the Canonization of Saints Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II
- Mystagogia Mass on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- Rite of Ordination of a Priest for Deacon Andrew LaFramboise by Most Reverend Joseph R. Cistone, on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm
- Mass on Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm, Celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Most Reverend Joseph R. Cistone and the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of His Installation as the 6<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Saginaw
- Diocesan Hispanic Mass with Bishop Cistone, on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm
- Mass on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at St Brigid of Kildare Church in Midland, Commemorating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Death of Cardinal James Hickey
- Mass on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon, Commemorating the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Death of Most Reverend Francis F. Reh

*Parishes need to be aware that there are  
sales representatives approaching parishes,  
trying to take advantage of mergers by  
pushing rash decision-making.*

**WATCH FOR THE NEXT EDITION OF THE  
OFFICE OF LITURGY NEWSLETTER  
TO BE PUBLISHED IN LATE JUNE 2014**

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989-797-6665 or [jbessert@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:jbessert@dioceseofsaginaw.org)  
To Be Added to the Distribution List for this Newsletter, Contact Joe Plevyak, DWC Executive Secretary  
[joe.plevyak@gmail.com](mailto:joe.plevyak@gmail.com)



### NEW DIOCESAN MASS SETTING

*Mass of Joy and Peace* by Tony Alonso (GIA Publications) is the mass setting which has been used for Diocesan Masses and Functions beginning the first week of Advent 2013.

To Order Mass Setting Resources, Go to the GIA Website at:  
[http://www.giamusic.com/search\\_details.cfm?title\\_id=11161](http://www.giamusic.com/search_details.cfm?title_id=11161)

### USCCB COMMITTEE ON DIVINE WORSHIP WEBSITE

<http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship>

### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PASTORAL MUSICIANS (NPM) WEBSITE

<http://www.npm.org>

### FEDERATION OF DIOCESAN LITURGICAL COMMISSIONS

"Mystagogical Reflections on the Texts of the Roman Missal, Third Edition"

<http://fdlc.org/Mystagogy/default.htm>

### "PARISH COMMISSION GUIDELINES" WORKSHOPS

Regional workshops focusing on the updated "Parish Commission Guidelines" (including Parish Worship Commissions) are being scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> at St John the Evangelist in Ubly, May 8<sup>th</sup> at St Vincent de Paul in Sheperd, May 15<sup>th</sup> at St James in Bay City. All sessions are scheduled from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. An additional session for lay ministers is scheduled on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 pm at the Center for Ministry.

Further Information Contact: Dr Dan Osborn  
[dosborn@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:dosborn@dioceseofsaginaw.org)

Send any names of candidates that might be interested in serving on the Diocesan Worship Commission to Fr Jim Bessert at [jbessert@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:jbessert@dioceseofsaginaw.org) by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP TO UPDATE OUR CONTACT DATABASE

To increase the coverage of communications from the Office of Liturgy, we are updating our contact lists. It would help enormously, if each parish could send a list of current staff and volunteer contacts who would benefit from receiving this Office of Liturgy Newsletter. Please include their name, email address and role (e.g. Trainer of Altar Servers, Director of Music, Pastor, etc). Send this information to Joe Plevyak, DWC Executive Secretary at [joe.plevyak@gmail.com](mailto:joe.plevyak@gmail.com) and we will update our distribution list.

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY GUIDELINES

The Liturgical Formation Committee of the DWC has complete its work on diocesan guidelines and protocols for lay liturgical ministers. Once promulgated by Bishop Cistone, this document will be introduced to the parishes in a number of regional catechetical workshops. These guidelines will affect the formation of all liturgical ministers and the management of those ministers within the Diocese. Our hope is that these guidelines and workshops will be a valuable means of supporting parishes in the formation and on-going renewal of liturgical ministers.

Further Information Contact: Sister Janet Pewoski, CSJ  
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### PARISH SIGNAGE

Before making any permanent signage decisions, please contact Tim Muter at [tmuter@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:tmuter@dioceseofsaginaw.org). There are protocols and guidelines written for new signage. The Diocese is working closely with Dave Tagget, Architect and Liturgical Art & Environment Chairperson to develop signage templates for merged parishes.

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