

POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Church Pianist/Accompanist

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Schedule: 2 Sunday morning Masses a month.
Dates are pre-determined
Other dates may become available

Status: Part-Time

Reports to: Director of Liturgy

Salary: \$50 per mass and \$25 per
midweek rehearsal if needed

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Communicate with the Director of Liturgy often by email and phone.
- Collaborate with the Scheduled Sunday Cantor for rehearsal and warm-up prior to Mass
- Provide inspiring music to the congregation.
- Accompany vocal music as needed for Mass (i.e., gathering music, prelude, meditation, offertory, postlude, etc.).
- Arrange for own back-up when absent. Consult with the Director of Liturgy to maintain and use a vetted list of accompanists.
- Ensure music sets are prepared ahead of time.
- Practice and rehearsal should be conducted in advance (warm-up only on day of Mass).

QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge Skills and Abilities demonstrating application of the following:

- Ability to support the cantor with musical cueing
- Ability to observe cantor breaths and posture indicators.
- Ability to continue playing even if mistakes occur (press on).
- Ability to recognize when verses are necessary (more or less verses) to ensure the flow of Mass without being distracting. Silence is OK.

Work Environment and Required Activities:

- Maintain cleanliness of the music area.
- Return stands and music to storage so that the choir area is neat and tidy.

Physical demands:

- While performing the duties of this job,
 - the incumbent is regularly required to sit for extended periods of time, use hands in repetitive motion tasks, handle objects and talk or hear. The incumbent is occasionally required to stand or move about and reach with hands and arms. Vision abilities required include close vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus.
 - the incumbent is continuously required to be alert, remember a significant number of details, concentrate, exercise judgment, read, reason, and take initiative to start and complete tasks, and exercise patience. It is also frequently required to solve problems, analyze situations, and apply common sense to resolve issues.

Other Requirements:

- Must be able to pass a criminal background investigation.
- Must have good driving record, current Colorado Driver's License, and automobile insurance.

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities, and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

Employment in and by the Church is substantially different from secular employment. Church employees must conduct themselves in a manner consistent with and supportive of the mission of the Church. Their public behavior must not violate the faith, morals or laws of the Church or the Diocese of Pueblo such that it could embarrass the Church or give rise to scandal. It is expected that all employees respect Roman Catholic doctrine and religious practices. In some cases, reasonable accommodations for the religious practices of employees who are not Roman Catholic may be provided. Some positions will require that the incumbent be an active Roman Catholic in good standing with the Church.