



The Prelude

March 2021



Dear Members of the Toledo AGO,

On February 21st our chapter hosted a Wine and Cheese Zoom meeting. It was great to see familiar faces and to meet 2 of our newest members. Welcome to Gilbert and Fransisco. Both are quite accomplished musicians and we look forward to them being an active part of our guild. Thanks to Matt Meinke for setting up our meeting. According to Matt we are doing well financially as well.

It was interesting to hear how congregations are handling the pandemic. Some churches are open with reduced members who social distance and wear masks. Others still prerecord their services or do livestream only with limited staff. Hopefully soon with the onset of vaccines, we can all return to the day when we ALL have services with our congregations.

I hope your Lent and Easter preparations go smoothly. Feel free to contact me anytime. I am at your service.

Charlotte Mariasy, Dean
Toledo AGO

From Denise Mathias, Education Chair

Scholarship Student Recital

Keep watching for more information about the June student recital. An announcement will be coming in the next few weeks as to whether this event will be in person, or virtual. Now is the time to check on your video recording options, and to test different equipment. iPads and iPhones are often quite useful for video recording. In addition, the program, "We Transfer" is helpful for sending these files electronically. For more information feel free to contact Denise Mathias at dmathias@adriandominicans.org. If the event is in person, practice times on the instrument will be made available.

Matthew Raisky earns AGO Certificate

Congratulations to member Matt Raisky, who passed the Colleague Exam (both sections) that he took this past November! Unfortunately, we can't congratulate him

in person, as he has relocated to Atlanta, Georgia. Best to you, Matt, on your fine achievement and in your future career!!

AGO Educational Offerings

March 15, at 4:00 p.m. EDT

Musicians and Clergy Working Collaboratively

Sponsored by the AGO and the Church Music Institute

How has the pandemic changed how clergy and musicians view their vocations to serve their congregation? What models of clergy and musician working relationships have shown strength during this time? Join CMI Executive Director Dr. Charlotte Kroeker and AGO Past President Dr. Eileen Guenther and author of [Rivals or a Team?](#), along with a distinguished panel, who will address these questions and discuss best practices for successful clergy and musician collaborations. [Click here](#) to register.

Membership Directory, 2020-2021

An updated Chapter Directory has been posted on the website.
Thanks, everyone, for your help in keeping us connected!

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