

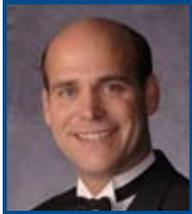


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Meet the Conductors



PAUL FRENCH, Conductor and composer, is Music Director at Chicago's Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, where he leads a thriving choral program for both children and adults. He is the director of the professional 24-voice ensemble, the William Ferris Chorale, and is the composer of more than 200 choral and orchestral works. In addition, he has served as a faculty member of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians Choir Director Institutes for over ten years.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view "CHOIR OF 1,000 VOICES" at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, conducted by Paul French.



LEE GWOZDZ, recently appointed AFPC President by the Board of Directors, is Director of Liturgy and Cathedral Music Director in the Diocese of Corpus Christi, Texas. He has also served as a clinician and conductor for choirs of youth and teens in more than a hundred cities around the United States. Nationally known for his expertise and innovative approach with youth choirs, Mr. Gwozdz incorporates a relatable manner with meticulous musicianship to create a high impact offering of liturgical music.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view Lee Gwozdz conducting the Corpus Christi Cathedral Choir.



MELANIE MALINKA is a native of Stuttgart, Germany and has served as Director of Music at The Madeleine Choir School in Salt Lake City, UT since 2001. In this position she oversees the school's rigorous choral program and leads preparation of the choristers for their extensive concert season, regular service commitments, international tours, and engagements with leading local arts organizations including the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. She regularly conducts the Cathedral Choir at the Cathedral of the Madeleine and currently is serving as interim chorus master for Utah Opera.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view an excerpt from the Madeleine Choir School Founders Day Concert filmed at The Cathedral of the Madeleine with the Sonolumina Chamber Orchestra of Salt Lake City with Director of Music- Ms. Melanie Malinka.



DR. RICHARD ROBBINS currently holds positions as the Director of Choral Activities at the University of Wisconsin-Superior, Chorus Master of the Duluth-Superior Symphony Orchestra, and Choir Director at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Superior, Wisconsin. Dr. Robbins previously directed choirs at Houston's prestigious High School for the Performing and Visual Arts where he prepared singers for multiple engagements with the Houston Symphony and the Grammy Foundation. While in Houston, Dr. Robbins served as choir director for the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, and the St. Paul's Choral Scholars, Houston's professional sacred youth chorus.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view Dr. Robbins conduct the University of Wisconsin-Superior A Cappella Choir at their Chorifest Honors Festival performing Adre Van Ryckeghem's arrangement of the traditional spiritual "I'm Gonna Sing".



JOHN ROBINSON is Music Director of historic St. Paul's Church in Harvard Square, Cambridge MA, and Director of St. Paul's Choir School, the only Catholic boys' choir school in the nation. This dynamic young Englishman, also a renowned organist, accompanied the world famous St. John's College Choir on tours, broadcasts and recordings, and has served as Assistant Organist at both Carlisle and Canterbury Cathedrals.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view a short *World Over* video about the boys of St. Paul's Choir School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, joined by their choir director JOHN ROBINSON tell us about the ONLY Catholic choir school for boys in the US and their major-label debut recording, CHRISTMAS IN HARVARD SQUARE.

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