

Corpus Christi Watershed has received many hundreds of messages, thanking us for our Liturgical websites. Here are some examples:

9 December, 2010

Thank you so much for your many psalms. We have been using them for over a year now in our parish, Chair of St. Peter Parish here in the City of Santa Rosa, Laguna, Philippines.

God bless you. S.B.

Laguna, Philippines

8 October, 2010

Just to send you a note congratulating you on the wonderful work you do. We use the Chabanel Psalms at the Cathedral of Christ the Light all the time.

Best wishes, R. D. V. (Director of Music & Organist, The Cathedral of Christ the Light)

Oakland, California

2 October, 2010

Dear Chabanel Psalms Team,

I want to express my thanks for the assistance I get from the resources on your website. I am a volunteer without Musical Education and assist at Holy Mass at our cathedral in St. Petersburg, Russia. Most of the time I act as a cantor, and your material has been of great help. Please keep up with the GOOD WORK and God bless you!

Yours sincerely, Ekong (Эконг Эффионг)

St. Petersburg, Russia

26 November, 2010

Thanks for the marvellous psalms. Many greetings, J. B.
Deurne, The Netherlands

29 June, 2007

I wish I had found your site earlier! Thank you for the immense service you are rendering for the Church through this marvelous and benevolent work. I have found the psalms quite helpful for our Worship here and in training our seminarians to sing the psalms well. Do keep up the good work.

Fr. A. L. F.

Mumbai, India

2 January, 2010

Many thanks for the Chabanel psalms----they've worked tremendously well for my school Masses, and the students enjoy them too (always a plus). Please keep up the good work for the future of sacred Catholic music---you are laying down some very strong cornerstones, and Catholic musicians from now on will owe you a great deal.

Best regards, D. G. (Music Teacher, Christ the King School)

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

28 November, 2009

I wanted to drop a note to let you know how impressed I am by the Chabanel Psalms site, it's incredible! I have a growing Catholic family and we regularly pray together. Thanks, and God bless you for your efforts!

B. K.

Ham Lake, Minnesota

26 November, 2009

THANK YOU!!!! This is such a wonderful service!!!! May God bless you in your work!!!!!!

M. B. C. (St. Jude Children's Research Hospital)

Kentucky University

3 June, 2009

Dear Brethren, My name is Mark Walker and I am the Director of Music at Saint Martin of Tours in Louisville, Kentucky. Ours is a traditional parish and before discovering your web-site resource I was having a terrible time finding "traditional-sounding" Responsorial Psalms. Please continue offering this. It is truly a God-send!

With an Immense Amount of Gratitude, M. A. W. (Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Church)

Archdiocese of Louisville

30 November, 2010

To All those who made these chant and polyphony websites available, *Semper Deo gratias et Mariae!*

Your websites (especially St. Rene Goupil's) have made it possible for our choir of Sisters to sing the difficult propers for the High Mass every Sunday--an accomplishment that would have been impossible without the MP3's you provide.

Thank you for cooperating with God's special grace to help bring back the true beauty of Church music! Singing well, may many pray twice for the restoration of Divine Tradition! *Nos cum Prole Pia, benedicat Virgo Maria!*

In Her Immaculate Heart, Sister M. T., M.I.C.M. (Saint Benedict Center)

Richmond, New Hampshire

14 November, 2010

I rely on you so much for every Sunday Mass and Holy Day of Obligation when we have a Mass in English!

Let me thank you very much for the Chabanel Psalm Project. As a non-musician, I find myself in the position of chanting the psalm at Sunday Mass. I know that the tune should be different every week (though here in Poland, most parishes seem to have only two all-purpose settings). But since I have only basic knowledge of music from high school choir and beginner piano lessons, I really do need to hear the psalm being sung as I look at the music when I'm learning the psalm. Then when I've 'got it,' the notation makes me feel secure that at the ambo I will remember the tune.

So all of your materials are an enormous help to me. Before I discovered Chabanel, we had the same 'tune' being 'sung' week after week. Now we have different settings and it's so much better. Here in Poland, they don't do 'misallettes,' but rather slides on a screen. So the graphics you have for some psalms are a huge help to the congregation, especially as now we have no musician at all. I think it helps at least some of the congregation to feel more confident singing the refrain a cappella if they can see the notes. Funny how the Internet affects our lives. I've never met you, but every day I'm remembering you in my prayers and wondering how you are. That would not have happened 15 years ago, and yet it seems so natural now.

I'm quite spoiled by the MP3s, because I don't read music properly. Without them I'll have to go back to just making up the setting for the psalm out of my head (Yikes - our poor congregation).

Thank you again for this wonderful service of putting all the Sunday psalms on the Internet. It is so user-friendly for someone like me, who can easily pick up and carry any tune, but who can't sight-read music and just know how the tune goes. The fact that often there are variations with audio is icing on the cake: I can choose a setting the music of which 'feels' to me close to the words, to the feeling I have when I read the psalm (not sure if that makes sense - I teach poetry, so the words speak to me perhaps more loudly than the music - if that makes sense!).

Sincerely, C. F. (Pastoral Center for English Speakers, St Charles Borromeo Parish)

Wroclaw, Poland

12 November, 2010

I find these psalm settings truly beautiful and want to begin to use them in our parish.

B. B. (Director of Music Ministries, Sacred Heart Catholic Church)

Lake Worth, Florida

24 October, 2010

Thank you for all your wonderful work!

God bless, P. M. (Seminarian)

Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester

23 December, 2010

Thank you so much for giving us this wonderful music. Finally!!! Psalms which are gorgeous to sing and inspiring to the soul. Thank you thank you thank you. May God continue to bless your work. In a special way, thank you for the beautiful new psalms you are posting. It is glorious to hear how beautiful these can sound. I just want to hear them over and over and over. May you be abundantly blessed for all you do to share the music.

Thank you. D. C.

Tryon, North Carolina

12 August, 2010

Dear Chabanel Psalms,
Thank you for your wonderful site. Our parish uses it regularly.

God bless, M. B. (Cantor, Holy Rosary)

Cedar, Michigan

8 October, 2010

Hi! I am Peavey Ingles from the Philippines. I was asked to sing Psalm 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4 for my friend's wedding and i had no idea how to sing it. And i don't want to just read it because it would be so much better if I sing it. So I googled it, then I found your video on youtube for the particular Psalm. I was so happy I bumped on it on the internet coz i never thought i would find one. So what I am trying to say is thank you so much for your video and hopefully I will be able to sing the Psalm tomorrow as well as it should be sung. :-) More power to your site and God Bless!!! :-)

P. I.

Philippines

26 September, 2010

I just wanted to thank you for creating your website. I have been struggling to find out the name of the Credo version that my grandmother used to sing to me. I have only been able to find poor quality audio versions online, and didn't know which version it was for the purpose of buying a recording until finding your website. Thanks, once again.

Kind regards, A. K.

Location withheld

24 November, 2010

I cannot send you enough compliments for this so very helpful website. Although I learned Gregorian notation during my conservatory study, it still isn't my second nature. Teaching, as conductor/organist, Gregorian chant to my members of a catholic church-choir it helps me a lot consulting the facsimile pages of your beautiful website. Off course, I searched and found the missing piece in one of the other collections.

Thank you once again, Kindest regards, K. E.

Enschede, The Netherlands

1 December, 2010

Several years ago we were asked to provide music for celebrations of the Extraordinary Form of the Mass. The books you have made available online have been enormously helpful to us.

A Mass will be said for the intentions of all the folks at Corpus Christi Watershed, and as a personal expression of gratitude, I've sent you a recording of a duet I wrote for my two daughters back when they were teenagers and living at home. It's called, "Mary, Mother of God," and is a meditation on the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I hope you enjoy it. Thank you again for your fine work.

In Christ, P. S.

Location withheld

5 November, 2009

... I was so inspired by the beautiful voice of this lady and that particular version of this Psalm. I played it over and over then contacted our Church organist to tell him of my exciting discovery. He mailed me back and he too was very impressed. Many Blessings to you and for the wonderful work that you do.

God Bless, John

"John" in Eastern England

8 November, 2007

Thank you so much for the Chabanel Psalms. Also, thanks for making them all accessible to everyone without us begging for copyrights and paying out money to use them. That is the way to go really.

The Chabanel Psalms are very well done. I have downloaded almost all of them now - and used up an entire ink cartridge. They are very easy for cantors and choirs to follow. Good layout!

M. H.

Milwaukie, Oregon

1 December, 2009

I would also like to thank you profusely for your website. I have already forwarded on to our parish's Latin schola, and hopefully they to our priest. This is truly a gift to the Church!

Heather

Location withheld

11 November, 2007

Today was the sixth or seventh week in which we have used the Chabanel psalms, and to excellent success. Thank you again for your labor of love.

P.K.

Lander, Wyoming

2 December, 2009

Our parish in Virginia uses your psalms, so I was somewhat familiar with your work. Your English Masses are hauntingly beautiful, and within the ability of our small congregation to learn.

A. B.

Moscow, Russia

28 November, 2009

Wow! The compendium of recordings you have assembled is truly amazing. Signed, M. M.
Greeley, Colorado

27 October, 2009

I am a diocesan priest in the Diocese of San Pablo, Doctor of Theology (Dogma), and former Director of the Diocesan Commission on Sacred Music. I am very pleased to find out about your much-longed-for apostolate of music. Thank you very much for starting this out. I am an organist, and have published some tones for the psalms in the mass pamphlets distributed by the Society of St. Paul here in the Philippines. I pray for your continued success. God bless you all always!!!!

Fr. M. C. M.

Philippines

13 October, 2009

The Chabanel Psalm Project is water in the desert! The congregation quickly picks up a refrain that matches the words in front of them, and the verses, of course, are light years better than anything to come from the for-profit publishers.

I am a published composer in my own right and recognize good work when I see it. Besides the obvious devotion of the work and the craftsmanship, the thing I appreciate is that it is being done by people who not only value the tradition of the Church, but are working church musicians themselves. The materials are easy to follow, written for the organ and voice and make musical as well as liturgical sense.

We've been faithfully using Chabanel Psalmody for all our sung Masses, and everyone especially likes your settings. (With three organists to please, if all of them like it the psalms must be good!).

L. H. S.

Shelton, Connecticut

30 September, 2009

Thank you so much; this is a wonderful service for church musicians. God bless your efforts!

M. R.

Parsons, Kansas

2 September, 2009

Thanks for the wonderful psalms on your site. Signed, Yvonne K.
India

29 July, 2009

Thank you for all of your efforts! I am very excited and hopeful by your efforts! I think your settings will greatly benefit our parish efforts in celebrating the Sacred Liturgy as the Second Vatican Council truly directed! God bless you for your efforts!

Fr. D. H.

Kokomo, Indiana

6 June, 2009

Dearly beloved at Chabanel Psalms,
Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. I write to appreciate your good works in launching this website. I found it on Google, visited and I must say in all manner of honesty, it is the best discovery I have made in recent years. I pray God the grace to carry you on and on. Thank you.

D. K.

Abuja, Nigeria

2 May, 2009

My daughter made her first communion yesterday with her homeshooling group. I sang your arrangement of Psalm 23 in Mode IV. People loved it! The singer can't do it without the composer. There is lots of bad stuff out there that is difficult to make good. Your material is easy to make it good. Thanks for your efforts.

P. G.

Middletown, Connecticut

5 May, 2009

Thank you for a wonderful site. This is an invaluable resource.

A. A.

Mercer, Pennsylvania

8 May, 2009

I am trying to learn to play the organ and enjoy planning masses. I really like the music on your site. Thanks!

B. B.

Cleveland, Ohio

26 March, 2009

A BIG thank-you for these fantastic psalms!!! I just found your site and am using two of your psalms for the Easter Vigil. They are so beautiful!! Thank-you again for sharing your talents so freely. The site is so easy to read and navigate. God bless you all, and may He continue to fill you with zeal for Him!

J. S.

Northern Canada

28 February, 2009

Again, I can't say enough about how wonderful your ministry is. To see (Scores), listen (MP3's) and then practice (and practice more in my case) has given me great confidence prior to proclaiming the responsorial psalm. It has become a prayerful experience throughout the week.

J. M.

West Hollywood, California

8 July, 2009

We have been using Chabanel Psalms since the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2007. I am the volunteer Schola director at our Parish. I just made my first donation to support your efforts. Thank you,

L. H.

Tacoma, Washington

26 June, 2009

We are a group of men that sing for various parishes in our deanery. I just wanted to drop you a note saying that we are so thankful for your efforts in the Chabanel Psalms project. We have used the psalms in the Masses that we sing and they have been met with great enthusiasm. One parish music director even said he wanted to start using them regularly. We are very happy with how easy they are to learn and how they sound well with and without accompaniment. Keep up the good work.

A. R.

College Station, Texas

29 April, 2008

I am drooling! Thank you for this service to Holy Mother Church.

R. H.

Immaculate Conception Church

24 October, 2009

I just wanted to thank you for providing this wonderful service to the Church. I am a seminarian studying at Conception Seminary College. I have begun to use this at my Apostolic assignment and it has had great results. It makes my life as a musician easier and it provides the young adults with some traditional chant style music that is easy to sing and I dare say "fun."

L. H.

San Angelo, Texas

24 October, 2007

I have just found out about Chabanel Psalm Project, and think this is an amazing project on many levels. Most importantly is the music. These are high quality pieces of music that are still very accessible for choir and congregation. Good psalms are hard to find! Also, for you to offer this free is truly Christian in every sense of the word.

P. F.

Lakeland, FL

29 October, 2009

I brought the Chabanel Psalms to the attention of our Cathedral music director three weeks ago, and since he "discovered" them, we have used them exclusively in our weekend liturgies. He even did an organ improvisation on the melody for last week. Thank you so much for sharing these beautiful writings with us. We feel like we have discovered a goldmine. And what a great way to unobtrusively introduce a little more chant-based music into our liturgies! Blessings!

D. R.

Oklahoma

17 February, 2007

The Chabanel Psalms are a great contribution to church music, especially for those willing to (re-)implement Gregorian Chant in church music. Having studied in the Lemmens Institute in Leuven, Belgium, I appreciate your work very much!

J. H. (Conservatory of Hasselt, Cathedral of St. Quintinus)

Hasselt, Belgium

29 October, 2009

I have recently reviewed the Chabanel Psalm project and would like to say that this work seems very usable for our cantors at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln, Nebraska, as well as very user friendly for the congregation. The pages are well prepared and easy to use. We are going to incorporate this into our library of responsorial psalms for use during our liturgies.

D. S. (Director of Music, Cathedral of the Risen Christ)

Lincoln, Nebraska

7 April, 2009

In addition to the Psalter which includes responsorial music and verses (in chant) for congregation and choir, I deeply appreciate the numerous settings of the ordinary and acclamations you've composed for the Holy Mass. I've used your music often and find it refreshing to the ear, and because of this, people in the pew have no problem picking up the melody. It is music that people want to sing—regardless of age. (It is not unusual to hear children humming the responsorial Psalm refrain as they leave the church after Mass!)

J. D. (Music Minister, Church of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Lapeer, Michigan

21 December, 2009

I am in a small schola in Madison WI. We sing 2 masses per month. Your web site helps me learn the music before we practice. It has been so beneficial I have shared your sight with other members. Thanks so much for all your hard work on this site.

M. P.

Madison, Wisconsin