

Diocese of New York and New Jersey
Commission on Liturgical Music Report for the Diocesan Assembly, 2023

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Workshops During 2023 several workshop opportunities presented themselves but did not materialize. It appears that other opportunities (which the CoLM publicizes) have been sufficient in the immediate-post-COVID year. We remain available to offer liturgical music workshops.

Church Musician Appreciation Day

This was marked on Sunday, October 1st, the Sunday closest to the Feast of St. Romanos the Melodist. Parishes were requested to express appreciation to their musicians. CoLM facilitated the process for our parishes to honor their musicians by offering the certificate template and the special petitions which were offered during the Divine Liturgy.

The Need for Accurate Information

With the help of Archbishop Michael, we've established a mailing list of parish choir directors. We request that rectors send us any changes that have occurred within the last twelve (12) months, including the new choir director's name, email, snail mail address, preferred phone number. This information should be sent to nynjmusic@aol.com by 1 December 2023.

New Blood

Your co-chairs have received contact from other candidates with interest in the CoLM. With blessing from Archbishop Michael, our numbers may increase in the next months.