



**FRANCISCAN CENTER FOR
MUSIC EDUCATION AND PERFORMANCE**

**HOLY FAMILY
CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC**

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From the Desk of the Administrator Sister Carol Ann Gambsky



Steadfast Dedication to Service is a cornerstone of the Franciscan Center Inc through the daily interactions among the small but mighty team of three full-time employees, ten music teachers, and twenty plus volunteers. All of these individuals give evidence of care and generosity to those who are served at the facility. In what ways do the people who walk through the doors of the Franciscan Center experience *dedication to service*? First and foremost, the family community spirit of the Franciscan Center provides a “nurturing reverence for all persons” as the mission statement guides to inspire and unite people regardless of race, color, creed, or gender. Attention to research, detail and professionalism is experienced by students, clients and guests through well-prepared classes, meaningful projects, quality programs and offerings through the institution. The Franciscan Center’s skilled professionals in their respective fields are qualified and devoted to ensure service to others which is the highest standard possible.

Desk of Administrator continued...

Taking time to carefully listen to an individual beyond their needs in what is taught in a music lesson/class, providing answers to event related questions or discussing rental agreements are all ways of providing *dedicated service*. Steadfast service is demonstrated by hearing and truly listening with a deep level of respect to a student, client, or guest to learn what are their needs and desires. Once understanding these needs, appropriate actions are accomplished through words, deeds and services. *Dedication to service* depends upon well-developed human relationships. Cultivating relationships through listening and communication enables others to be open to receive beauty, goodness and God's grace at work shown through the art of music, performance and education. It is imperative to serve without entitlement and to express gratitude to donors and volunteers for their generosity which makes it possible to offer quality education, performance and function as a rental venue in the Lakeshore area. Without many generous donors of time, talent and treasure this Franciscan Center endeavor would not be possible.





Franciscan Center Rental Spaces

“Transforms the Ordinary”

Celebrate your special moments with us. From weddings and birthdays to bridal/baby showers, celebrations of life, galas, business meetings, reunions, and more! ... The Franciscan Center is the perfect venue for any occasion.

Contact Charyce at: fcme@outlook.com
(or) call (920)645-6561



Music for TOTs



Music for TOTs classes will be offered again in September 2024. Stay tuned for the start date and times the classes will be offered.

How does Music for TOTs help a child?

Children engage in musical play and bond with their parents/caregivers. Music classes help a child develop language skills, physical coordination, and social skills. Learning to take turns and follow directions in a nurturing environment helps the child to feel affirmed and experience accomplishment through singing and group activities. Musical skills and a love of music are developed in the young child.

Organ Lessons available!

Organ Lessons are now available
with Julie Koenig at
Holy Family Conservatory.

The newly donated organ is a two manual
instrument with a full pedal board.

If you are interested in taking organ lessons
please contact us.

920-645-6565



Fall Festival

Join us for family fun at our Second Annual Franciscan Fall Festival! We had so much fun last year, we had to do it again in 2024! Enjoy a bounce house, games and activities that will be sure to create memories for a lifetime!

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Second Annual
***Franciscan Fall
Festival***

***November 2nd
9:00am-3:00pm***

***Franciscan Center
6751 Calumet Ave
Manitowoc, WI 54220***



Upcoming Events at the Franciscan Center

- ▶ June 23 2:00 pm Holy Family Conservatory Recital
- ▶ July 15-19 Summer Music Camp "Together"
- ▶ July 28 Last day of Holy Family Conservatory Summer Session II
- ▶ August 10-11 St. John Players Theater performances
- ▶ August 17-18 St. John Players Theater performances
- ▶ September 3 Holy Family Conservatory Fall Session I Begins
- ▶ September 21 Clipper City Chordsmen Fundraiser Event
- ▶ October 21 Holy Family Conservatory Fall Session II Begins

Inspirational Words to Ponder

WE CAN'T ALWAYS CHOOSE THE
music
LIFE
PLAYS FOR US, BUT WE CAN
CHOOSE HOW WE
DANCE TO IT

I don't know if music can
change the world
overnight but I know that
music can help someone
make it through a
difficult night.

-Michael Franti



Music
acts like a magic key,
to which the most
tightly closed
hearts open.

- Maria von Trapp



People who
stay in the car
to listen to music
a little bit longer
are my kind of
people.

Personal Reflections on the Value of Music Camp

Plans and preparations for the July 15-19, 2024 Summer Music Camp at the Franciscan Center have been underway for several months and we have often provided you with information. But I need to share some reflections about why I want you to seriously consider attending music camp this summer. What follows is a personal reflection of what music camp meant and did for me many years ago. (The following was taken from Sister Carol Ann's Facebook post)

My camp experiences as a developing French horn player were of tremendous value during my formative years in middle school and high school. Where do I begin? Attending music camp was LIFECHANGING for me! After the first summer of attending camp, I was completely hooked and could hardly wait until the next summer. Classes, sectionals and rehearsals provided new educational concepts to learn, exposure to new repertoire and mentorship from camp staff and instructors. Truly lifelong friendships with other campers and instructors were formed. Going to music camp helped me define what I wanted to do with the rest of my life which was to pursue a career in music. The path to pursuing a musical career became the means in which God called me to become a Sister. But, that is a whole other long story.

Personal Reflections continued...

Back to music camp reflections. It was through the Director of the Camp and many of the camp instructors that I received insights about where to attend college and how to prepare for college. One important piece of advice I received at one of the summer camps was to seek private lessons on the French horn at Lawrence Music Conservatory. One summer I was over the moon excited to win the top prize at the Honors recital. This meant a full scholarship to return the next summer and at that time winning was a huge affirmation in my musical journey. For me music camp was a shot in the arm of motivation to set personal goals, become a stronger musician, grow as leader in my high school music classes, practice more, enjoy and love music which resulted in increased self-esteem and confidence.

Reflecting back on my varied experiences as a camper, I was very blessed to be a part of a musical village where dedicated music teachers offered me guidance, mentorship, encouragement and excellent advice.

Becoming a caring person and collaborative musician during a camp experience is the most valuable gift that any person can take home to their schools, churches and families. This is why I want you to seriously consider music camp for this summer! And if you made it to the end of this long post, thank you for taking the time to read it. 😊 Sister Carol Ann Gambsky

July 15-19 Camp Schedule

Time	Group/Ensemble
9:00-9:15	Opening Activities July 15-19, 2024
	Full-day
9:15-10:15	Wind Ensemble (1 year of school band ensemble playing required)
9:15-10:15	Piano Ensemble
9:15-10:15	String Ensemble
10:25-11:15	Musicianship Class for all Full-Day Students
11:30-11:50	LUNCH
11:50-12:20	Recreation Activity for Full and Half-Day Campers
12:30-1:30	Handbell Ensemble for all Campers (Full and Half-day Campers)
1:40-2:40	Musicianship Class for Half-Day Students
1:40-2:40	Practice time for Full-Day Students
2:50-3:50	Choir for All Campers (Full and Half-day Campers)
3:50-4:00	Wrap-up and treat

July 15-19 Camp Together Includes...

PIANO ENSEMBLES ~ Camp piano ensembles are group sessions where piano players come together to play music. In ensembles, they learn to play with each other and recognize the importance of each member for a successful performance. These sessions help students develop self-confidence, social skills, discipline, and teamwork. Playing music is fun, interesting, and beneficial!

MUSICIANSHIP CLASSES ~ Camp classes play a crucial role in a musician's development. Musicianship goes beyond technical instrument skills. It's about understanding and owning your music, learning about the background of music, transforming you from a player to a true musician. Musicianship involves internalizing rhythm, training your ears, and brain to identify notes. Remember, musicianship is the bedrock of your musical journey, fine-tuning your skills and making everything else easier

ENSEMBLE (STRING OR WIND) ~ Playing in both wind or string ensembles offers unique benefits. Ensemble playing teaches collaboration and the art of blending individual sounds into a cohesive whole. Wind musicians learn to listen actively to their peers, adjusting their playing based on what they hear. This skill is essential for ensemble cohesion. Ensemble players work together, hitting the same notes simultaneously while observing tempo and dynamics. This fosters teamwork and leadership skills. In summary, both wind and string ensembles offer social, emotional, and physical advantages. Whether you're drawn to woodwinds, brass, or strings, ensemble playing enriches your musical journey!

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE ~ In our camp educational setting, handbells serve as an excellent tool for teaching music theory and teamwork. Because each player is generally responsible for specific notes, participants learn to read music, count rhythms, and listen for cues from other ensemble members. It also fosters teamwork and coordination skills.

CHOIR ~ Singing in the camp choir offers numerous benefits for both physical and mental well-being. Being part of camp choir helps enhance vocal abilities and musicality. Singing allows singers to express emotions and relieve stress and singing positively impacts self-confidence and overall well-being. It's an excellent way to meet new friends and expand your social circles. Collaborating in a choir fosters teamwork and cooperation. Above all, it's just pure enjoyment!

July 15-19 Camp Registration



Register now for Music Camp!

<https://campscui.active.com/.../HolyFamilyConservatoryofM...>

More Information:

<https://www.hfconservatory.org/together-music-camp>

**NOTE!!! CAMPERS CAN REGISTER FOR THE HALF DAY, 11:30 am-4 Pm
OR...REGISTER FOR THE FULL DAY, 9 am-4 pm**

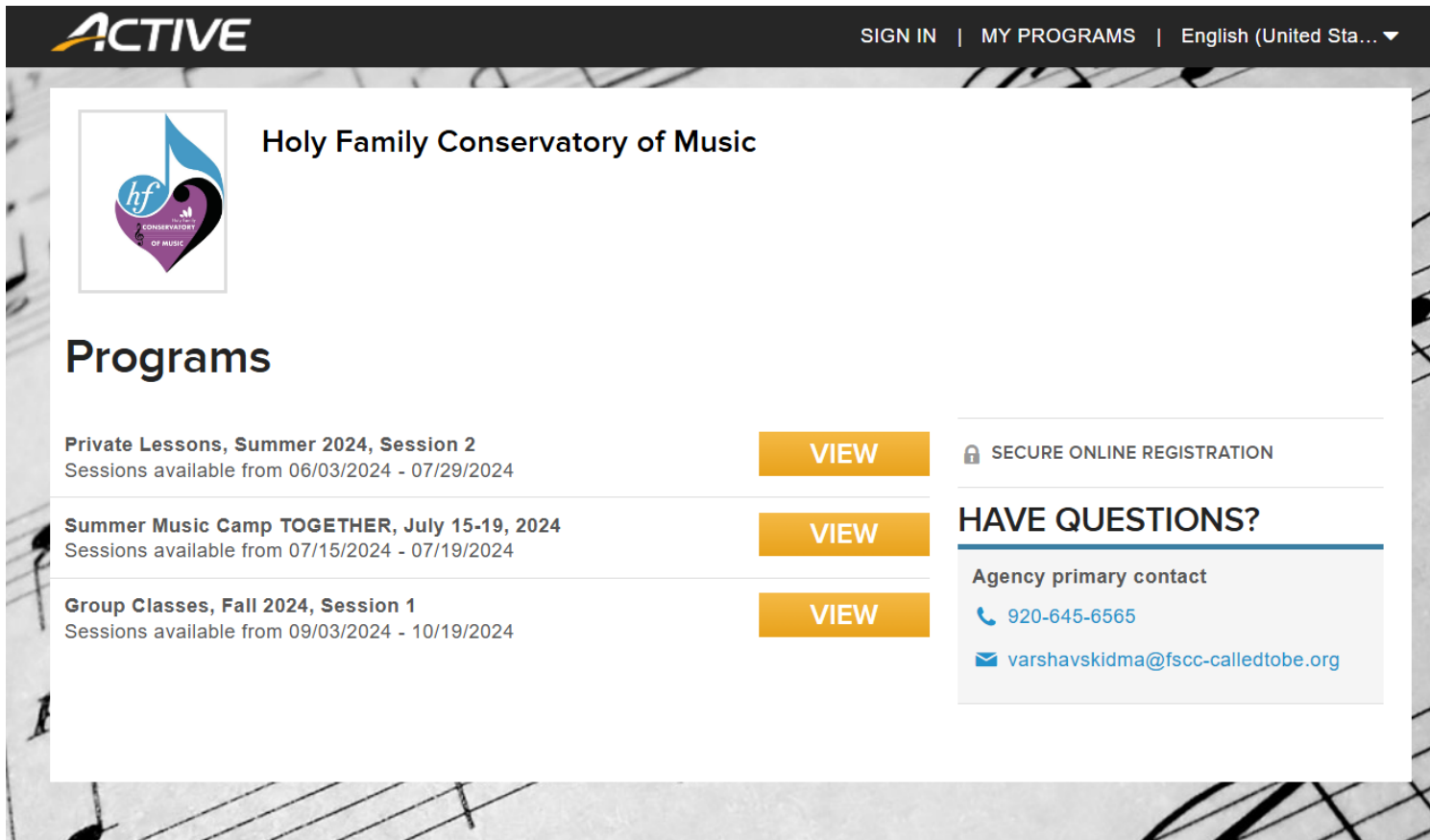
Wurlitzer Piano For Sale

Spinet Wurlitzer piano for sale.
Asking \$50 but you will need to
pick it up.


Email: garyheim@sbcglobal.net
or text/call at 920-973-2882



Fall 2024 Register Now!



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 **Holy Family Conservatory of Music**

Programs

Private Lessons, Summer 2024, Session 2 Sessions available from 06/03/2024 - 07/29/2024	VIEW	🔒 SECURE ONLINE REGISTRATION
Summer Music Camp TOGETHER, July 15-19, 2024 Sessions available from 07/15/2024 - 07/19/2024	VIEW	HAVE QUESTIONS?
Group Classes, Fall 2024, Session 1 Sessions available from 09/03/2024 - 10/19/2024	VIEW	Agency primary contact 920-645-6565 varshavskidma@fsc-calledtobe.org

**Check back frequently
to see more offerings
posted for the Fall!**

Register at:

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Welcome Summer!



**Rest,
Relax**



**And
Renew!**