

Sacred Heart School Band
East Providence, RI

The Sacred Heart School Music Program (K-8) includes a general education which stresses learning music through performance. The areas of performance include keyboard, recorder, along with the new addition of guitar this academic year. All students learn to read music with voice being the primary application.

The instrumental/band program is now in its second year and has proven itself to be a powerful enhancement to the school's fine arts offering. More the half of the students eligible to take part in the program have elected to do so. The band has given concerts at both local Catholic schools and for the parish/school community. Instruments include flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, euphonium, and percussion. Students attend two instrumental classes per week. Most students rent or purchase their instruments. The school also has a limited number of instruments to lend. The band has produced 2 DVD's.

Meet the Director: Philip C. Desrosiers

Philip Desrosiers has directed Catholic elementary, middle school, and high school bands in both Rhode Island and New Hampshire for over 30 years. He holds a BS in Music Education degree, Master of Arts in Education degree and a Masters of Music and Worship degree. He has been the editor of the *Catholic Music Educator*, a professor of music at the Community College of Rhode Island, and is the chaplain of the *Catholic Band Association*. Mr. Desrosiers has presented sessions on instrumental/band music at national conferences of the National Catholic Education Association and the National Pastoral Association. He is a member of MENC: The National Association for Music Education, The Rhode Island Music Educators Association, National Pastoral Musicians, National Catholic Band Association, and a life member of the National Band Association.

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Events:

Open House Presentation
Rhode Island Music Educators Solo/Ensemble Festival
Spring Concert Tour to area Catholic schools
Spring Concert

Awards:

Rhode Island Music Educators Association Solo/Ensemble Festival Medals
National Catholic Band Association Honors band Awards
Participation Certificates

2008-2009

Sacred Heart School Band

Flute

Sarah Branco
Kailen Warren

Clarinet

Alexia Amaral
Brianna Caldeira
Kristen Furtado
Erika Lincoln
Dante Machado
Karina Monteiro
Danielle Morton
Tyler Tashdjian

Alto Saxophone

Brandon Costa
Zachary Fonseca
Louis Francisco
Jeremy Montrond

Tenor Saxophone

Antonio deSimas

Trombone

Rebecca Amaral
Michael Avante

French Horn

Savannah Figueiredo

Trumpet

Austin Cabral
Anissa Cunha
Dominic DeAndrade
Kelsey Ferreira
Ashley Justa
Dylan Tashdjian
Regina LaPietra
Christopher Machado
Daniel Mandelli

Andrea Vargas
Alexis Vieira

Euphonium
Edward Barber

Michael Melo
Kyle Oliveira

Percussion
Victoria Furtado

Listen to our band (link using DVD)

Upcoming Events

May 9, 2009: Rhode Island Music Educators Association Solo/Ensemble Festival, RIC
May 28, 2009: Spring Concert: 7:00PM, Sacred Heart Church Hall

Band Picture Gallery



