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Madonna Alumnus to Conduct Seasonal Concerts

LIVONIA, Mich. – Recent Madonna University graduate and student teacher, Patrick Paddock will conduct the bands and chorus of West Bloomfield High School during their winter concerts this December. “Student teaching at West Bloomfield High School has been an outstanding musical experience and opportunity, most of all; it has been a learning experience,” said Paddock.

The band concert takes place Monday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m., with Paddock leading about 150 students during the seasonal performance, featuring the symphony band, wind ensemble, concert band and percussion ensemble. The West Bloomfield High School choirs take the stage Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. Paddock will direct one of the Concert Choirs, comprised of about 30 students, as they perform such favorites as a choral arrangement of Bach’s “Cold and Fugue Season.” Both concerts will take place in the West Bloomfield High School Auditorium, located at 4925 Orchard Lake Road.

“I feel honored and privileged to be able to step up to the podium on concert night and show the West Bloomfield High School community what these talented students do everyday in class –make music,” Paddock commented.

Paddock, of Livonia, graduated from Madonna last spring with a Bachelor of Music degree, with a minor in secondary education. As a Madonna student, he earned the Ernest I. Nolan Award for Outstanding Achievement in Humanities for Music. Since graduation, he has worked at West Bloomfield High School where he is due to complete his secondary music student teaching assignment on December 12. Paddock also plays the piano and organ at St. Jude Catholic Church, in Detroit where he serves as their Music Minister.

Madonna University is conveniently located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia, with centers in Orchard Lake, Southwest Detroit and Gaylord. Celebrating 70 years of academic excellence, Madonna is one of the most affordable independent Catholic liberal arts universities in the nation. There are more than 75 undergraduate and 27 graduate programs to choose from, in the colleges of nursing and health, education, science and math, arts and humanities, and social sciences, and the school of business.

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