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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Robert Batastini, organist for the outdoor Mass in Grant Park during Pope John Paul II's 1979 visit to Chicago, will present three workshops on pastoral music in the Doudna Fine Arts Center at Eastern Illinois University on Saturday, Feb. 4.

Workshop topics will include the creative use of hymns, cantor and congregation music and the unique music of the ecumenical community at Taize. The workshops are being co-sponsored by the student chapter of the American Guild of Organists and the Hymn Society of America.

Batastini is the general editor of G.I.A. Publications of Chicago, publishers of pastoral music, and also serves as principal editor of the hymnal "Worship II." He has been music director at St. Barbara Parish in Brookfield since 1966.

Registration for the workshops may be completed Feb. 4, beginning at 10 a.m. Sessions by Batastini will be given at 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Everyone interested in church music is eligible to attend and players of orchestral instruments may bring them to participate in the final session.

Anyone wishing to take part in a luncheon served in the Fine Arts Center should make reservations early. A small fee will be required. The luncheon will be served only if interest is shown in it.

For further information or to make reservations, contact Gary Zwicky, Music Department, (217) 581-3724, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Ill. 61920.