



Paulist Center Boston

Attentive to the Holy Spirit and nourished by vibrant liturgy, we are a Catholic community that welcomes all, fosters healing and reconciliation, and acts for justice.

FEBRUARY 1 - 2, 2020

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday

7:55 AM

12:05 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation on
First Fridays from 11-11:45 AM and
by appointment

YOUNG ADULTS - OPEN MIC NIGHT

Calling all musicians, dancers, photographers, poets, and artists of all kinds!

The Paulist Center Young Adult Open Mic Night is here!

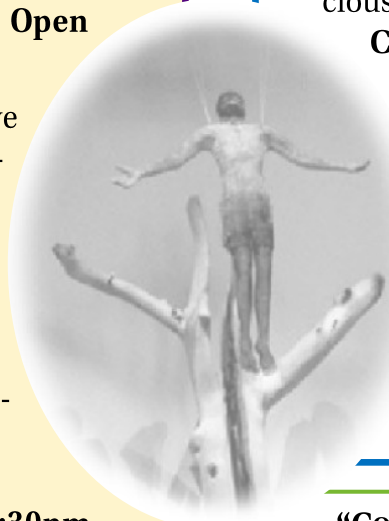
Join us for an evening of fun as we showcase the talents of our community.

To **sign up** to perform a piece, please go to:

<http://tiny.cc/ucf2iz>

As a courtesy, please limit all performances to 10 minutes max.

**Next Saturday,
February 8th, 6:30pm
2nd Floor, Seminar Room**



THANK YOU

On behalf of the Paulist Fathers, we wish to say a heartfelt **“thank you”** for your gracious hospitality in welcoming **Paulist Charlie Donahue** last week.

Furthermore, **thank you so very much** for your generosity in the collection to support the Paulist mission and to take care of our older Fathers.



“COME AND SEE WEEKEND”

Thinking of the Paulist priesthood? See Fr. Mike or Fr. Chuck about a **“Come and See Weekend”** at the **seminary, Washington, DC.**



Friday, February 7th - Sunday, February 9th.

COMMUNITY COFFEE

Please join us **this Sunday** for **Community Coffee** after the **10am** and **12pm Masses** in the **Auditorium.**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WINTER BREAK

There will be **NO** religious education classes **on Sunday, February 16th and 23rd** due to winter break.

Classes will resume **Sunday, March 1st.**

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form, found in the welcome brochure at the entranceway to the Chapel or on our website. You may also call the Reception Desk at 617-742-4460. After returning the form, a staff member will contact you.



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**ROARING 20s EXTRAVAGANZA
(CATHOLIC FORMAL)**

Tickets are now live for the **Roaring 20s Extravaganza, hosted by the St Cecilia's and Paulist Center Young Adult Ministries!**

Come join us for a night of music, dancing, and fun! This is a welcoming event, open to all young adults ages 21 to 40.

Tickets are \$40 in advance and can be purchased at: <http://bit.ly/365kQoF>

If you'd like to attend but are worried about the cost, please email **Kristin** at kristin@paulistcenter.org. We have a few tickets that were donated by a generous community member!



**Saturday, February 29th, 8pm - 12am
The Westin Copley Place, Boston
10 Huntington Avenue**

STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD (after 5% gift)
Weekend Collection	\$12,267	\$196,190
Budget Amount	\$11,164	\$233,328
Difference	\$1,103	(\$37,138)

We remind you that it is only through the generosity of your resources that makes the activities of the Paulist Center possible. Weekend collections are the “bread and butter” of our operating budget. If you wish to make an offering, please make checks payable to the “**Paulist Center**” and mail to 5 Park Street, Boston, MA 02108. Even better, sign up to give electronically through our website. We thank you for your generosity.



5% COMMUNITY GIFT

We give 5% of our total fiscal-year weekend collections to various organizations. This weekend we designate our gift to **Church in Latin America** which provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean.

We thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	2/2	Little People's Program - 3 rd Fl, Library	10:15am
		FREP - Rms 2, 13, 16, 17, 22	11:15am
		Community Coffee - Auditorium	11:15am
		RCIA/Break Open the Word - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	12:30pm
		RCIA catechesis - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
		Community Coffee - Auditorium	1:15pm
Mon	2/3	Young Adult Leadership Team- 6 th Fl, Rm 22	7:00pm
Wed	2/5	Supper Club - Auditorium	6:00pm
Sat	2/8	Young Adults Open Mic - 2 nd Fl, Seminar Rm	6:30pm
Sun	2/9	FREP - Rms 2, 13, 16, 17, 22	11:15am
		Jr. High - 2 nd Fl, Seminar Rm	11:15am
		Sr. High - 3 rd Fl, Library	11:15am
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		Community Coffee - Auditorium	1:15pm
		Worship Team Meeting - 6 th Fl, Rm 17	2:00pm

PARKING AT THE PAULIST CENTER

One Beacon Street Garage \$12.00

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. All weekend and after 4pm on weekdays. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the Chapel vestibule during Masses or in reception weekday evenings.

Boston Common Garage \$10.00

Purchase single tickets in the reception office weekday evenings or purchase a 20 ticket booklet at the garage office. Valid after 4pm weekdays and all weekend, as long as you exit before 8am the next day.

DIRECTOR'S REFLECTION

Dear Companions on the Journey,

In the newspaper, asking for my attention this week. The Impeachment trial, of course. Forty people killed in an earthquake in Turkey...that should be my concern. But, no, as for many, Kobe Bryant's tragic death touched my heart. Maybe it's part of our American penchant for celebrity, or maybe it's because of the "back story":

"Born in Philadelphia, Kobe Bryant was raised in a Catholic household and even spent some of his youth in Italy. Drafted into the NBA at the age of 17, he eventually married Vanessa Laine at St. Edward Roman Catholic Church in Dana Point, California. Two years later they had their first child [also killed in the crash]..

Then he made a big mistake. In 2003, Kobe Bryant was accused of raping a woman in his hotel room..He admitted having sex with the woman but denied rape. [a subsequent] civil lawsuit..was settled outside of court. Bryant issued a public apology, stating that he was sincerely ashamed of what he had done...in 2011, his wife filed for divorce.

"Yet during one of the darkest moments of his life, Kobe Bryant turned to his Catholic faith..."The one thing that really helped me during that process – I'm Catholic, I grew up Catholic, my kids are Catholic – was talking to a priest.' ...After some rough years, Kobe Bryant reconciled with his wife, and they remain married to this day."

He and Vanessa went on to have three more children and to start a foundation which addresses families and homelessness."

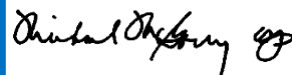
All of the above is taken verbatim or paraphrased from Philip Kosloski's article "Remembering Kobe Bryant: Formed and saved by his Catholic Faith" on the Website Aliteia.

Reading this article got me to thinking. What from his Catholic faith helped Kobe in the darkest hour of his life? What did his wife feel when she learned of Kobe's adulterous conduct? What moved her to forgiveness and her change of mind about a divorce – a divorce that not only most people would understand, but would recommend? And finally, what kind of Catholic community would welcome him back to regular worship and membership?

I don't have answers to these questions, but I ask you to think about them with regard to our own the Paulist Center Community and what kind of community are we? Where do we draw the line? How far can our reconciliation go?

What do you think?

And let us pray for/with one another.



Michael McGarry, C.S.P.

PAULIST CENTER COMMUNITY SNAPSHOTS...

On Christmas Day and New Year's Day, the Paulist Center served its **more-than-fifty-year Wednesday Night Supper Club meal.**

Pleasant surprise: More volunteers than expected!

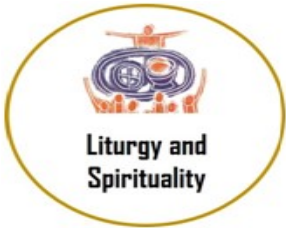
Thank You!



LITURGY AND SPIRITUALITY

Five key themes emerged from our roundtable discussions, when community members shared their hopes and visions about how we might best live out our mission:

1. **Liturgy and Spirituality**
2. **Vision & Leadership**
3. **Social Justice**
4. **Openness & Welcome**
5. **Authentic Integration**



This week we focus on **Liturgy and Spirituality**.

With great consensus around a central goal of strengthening the Paulist Center as a vibrant faith community, participants noted the importance of:

- **Lay involvement (including preaching)**
- **Continued desire for inspiring and informative homilies**
- **Inviting varied voices and perspectives**
- **Recruiting and developing liturgical ministers**
- **Community participation through dynamic and engaging music**
- **Hospitality and personal invitation**
- **Faith formation for different "seasons" of life**
- **Faith formation through the lens of Paulist charisms (Evangelization, Reconciliation, Ecumenism)**
- **Learning from other spiritualities and expressions of faith**
- **Spiritual growth through a variety of opportunities (e.g. podcasts, website, Taizé, book clubs, contemplative prayer, etc.)**

As with each of the five themes, community input and involvement will be crucial in moving forward. Some action items will be easily identifiable, and others require careful thought and conversation among staff, committee members, and the broader community.

A next step to enhance **Liturgy and Spirituality** will be a community-wide effort to invite and involve more members in liturgical ministries and other Paulist Center ministries.

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