



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.

JANUARY 8 - 9, 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 15 - 16, 2022

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES

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| Saturday | Sunday |
| 5:00 PM | 10:00 AM |
| | 6:00 PM |

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

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| Sunday | 10:00 AM |
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WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
7:55 AM

Tuesday and Thursday

12:05 PM

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE CAMPAIGN

During this coming quarter of the new year, the Paulist Center is participating in the *Hope for the Future: A Comprehensive Campaign for the Paulist Fathers*. This landmark campaign is the product of years of planning and hard work by Paulist priests, lay leaders, and Paulist staff.

The focus of the campaign is to build a new Paulist House of Mission & Studies, fortify outreach ministries, support senior Paulists, and attend to deferred capital needs of Paulist houses around the country. The campaign will also **directly benefit the Paulist Center**, as fully **20%** of funds raised by our community will **remain in Boston** as a fund earmarked for capital repairs/upgrades to our building for shared projects that would normally be paid for jointly by both the local Paulist household and the Paulist Center Community (vs projects that only impact either Center space or household space that would normally be paid for by the respective party). Detailed information about these campaign goals will be sent to every community household in the months ahead.

To be clear, this is **different from the Annual Paulist Appeal** (this year on the weekend of January 22nd) which helps keep the lights on and fund the thriving Paulist ministries (but the total of which will count towards our overall Campaign goal). This campaign is a one-time, extraordinary effort to fund the Paulist Fathers for many years to come.



Our community is participating in this campaign primarily in February and March. We need many volunteers to assist the Paulist Center for this campaign to be successful. If you are interested in volunteering and helping our community in this landmark effort, please contact me, Michael McGarry, at michael@paulistcenter.org, and we can provide additional details.

WELCOME (BACK!) TO OUR NEW YOUNG ADULT MINISTER, MAIREAD MURPHY

We are very happy to welcome Mairead Murphy in the role as part-time Young Adult Minister. Mairead had been a very active member and leader in our Paulist Center Young Adult Ministry for three years until she left Boston to join the L'Arche community in Seattle two years ago. She has recently returned to Boston and is currently a candidate/pre-postulant with the Felician Sisters. While she is continuing her discernment of her vocation with them, Mairead will be in the Boston area and returned to her spiritual "home" (as she calls it!) at the Paulist Center.



We are thrilled she will be able to minister as our Young Adult Minister for the foreseeable future and she looks forward to connecting and re-connecting with folks here! You can reach her at mairread@paulistcenter.org.

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form that can be found on our [website](http://www.paulistcenter.org). 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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LAST CALL FOR HECKER AWARD SUBMISSIONS!

The deadline for nominations for the 2021 Hecker Award has been **extended to Monday, January 10th**.

Guidelines for submissions can be found on our website under the social justice tab. Here is the [link](#).



Please email nominations to [Susan Rutkowski](mailto:Susan.Rutkowski@paulistcenter.org).

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASSES



Virtual first communion preparation classes will start on **Sunday, January 23rd at 10:45 am**.

If you have not registered, please email [Susan Rutkowski](mailto:Susan.Rutkowski@paulistcenter.org) or call her at **617-948-2426**.

LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS

The Sunday 10am Mass is Live-Streamed.
(available as recording at same link after 11:15am)

January 9th [YouTube Link](#)

January 9th [Order of Worship Link](#)

January 16th [YouTube Link](#)

January 16th [Order of Worship Link](#)

FREP SCHEDULE

Teen FREP Classes resume Sunday, January 9th, 11:15am - 12:30pm. [Zoom link](#)

Meeting ID: 891 5191 5501

Passcode: 737124

FREP Classes resume Sunday, January 23rd:

Virtual classes at 10:45am. [Zoom link](#)

Meeting ID: 953 8992 1208

Passcode: PGf07r

In-person at Charles River Reservation, 12:15 pm.

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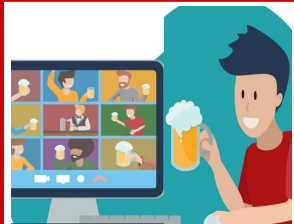
Our "Community Gift" is the Paulist Center's tradition of giving away 5% of our weekend offerings, averaged out over the year, to a group outside of ourselves. We are so very grateful for your support during this time of uncertainty and financial challenge.

The weekend of **January 8th and 9th** we designate our gift to **Bridge Over Troubled Waters** which provides effective and innovative services to runaway, homeless and high-risk youth.

The weekend of **January 15th and 16th** we designate our gift to **Boston Rescue Mission** which operates an emergency overnight shelter, offers meals, basic necessities and helps homeless individuals achieve life skills necessary to become self-sufficient.

Two ways to give to the Paulist Center:

1. To make a one-time or recurring donation to the Center using your bank account or credit card, click on this link: <https://tinyurl.com/DonatePaulistCenter>
2. Giving by text: Text a whole dollar donation amount to **844-899-7511**; this will be designated as your "Weekend Offering." Thank You!



YOUNG ADULT VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR - THURSDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 7PM

Gather around your computers and phones and join us for an evening of fellowship and conversation! Share your favorite beer, wine, cocktail, mocktail, tea, or flavor of La Croix!

This month, we're welcoming **Erin Murphy** who is a social worker, longtime resident of Cambridge, and former young adult minister at St. Anthony Shrine. She joins us to share her experiences of **ableism in the Church** and why this is a social justice issue that needs our attention.

Her writing has been featured in the *Nation Catholic Reporter* and you can find that [here](#).

Email mairead@paulistcenter.org for the Zoom link for the Virtual Happy Hour!

ONE OF OUR AFGHAN FAMILIES HAS ARRIVED!

The first family arrived on Wednesday, December 29th and was welcomed by a small group of parishioners from the **Paulist Center and Saint Cecilia parish POWIR* site**. For more information, click [here](#) to see the new website of the **Paulist Center Immigrant Advocacy Group (IAG)**.

We are anxiously awaiting news of our second family.

So far, parishioners have given their time, talent and treasure; making donations, gathering goods and furnishings, and signing up to provide direct help to our families. Teams have been formed to support the families with transportation, groceries, and companionship. We are immensely grateful and humbled by the outpouring of support. **Thanks to tremendous generosity from our communities, we have met our initial goal of \$100,000.** This will cover their transition and basic needs, including rent and utilities, culturally appropriate food and clothing, and transportation.

Our **most immediate need is gift cards from grocery stores** (Stop & Shop, Shaw's), clothing stores (Target, Old Navy, Macys, Walmart), Pharmacies (CVS, Walgreens), **and pre-loaded Charlie Cards.**

These can be **dropped off at the Paulist Center's front office during the week, 10:30am - 4:30pm**, or mailed to: **Paulist Center, 5 Park St, Boston, MA 02108 - ATTN: Susan Rutkowski**

Place mark them with **"POWIR" and your name** so that we might properly acknowledge your donation.

We will also continue to accept cash donations to cover unforeseen costs for the year and potential support for other refugee families in the future, but at this time gift cards are a lot more useful.

We look forward to learning more about our two families and understanding their specific needs. We will need to help them navigate through complex government programs, ensure their children have a good education, prepare them to find work, learn English, and navigate a new culture.

Please use this [link](#) for information about how to donate, volunteer, or purchase items from our Amazon wish-list. Once volunteers have registered, you will be invited to an online orientation training session.

Here is a [link](#) to a recent opinion article in the *New York Times* about resettlement in the U.S.

In the coming weeks, we will be providing links to additional resources so that we may begin to understand a different culture and be sensitive to the complications of being in a new place with unfamiliar customs.

***POWIR** stands for "**Partners Organized to Welcome Immigrants and Refugees**".

Please contact us with any questions: sc.socialracialjustice@gmail.com.

Thank you again for your generosity and kindness!



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Please see our website for direct contact information.

