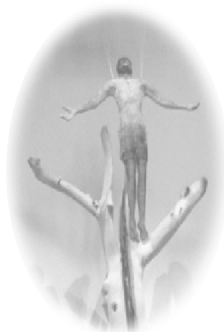




Paulist Center Boston

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.



AUGUST 6 - 7, 2022
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 13 - 14, 2022
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES

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

WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:55 AM
Tuesday and Thursday 12:05 PM

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



It's the best day of the liturgical year for us to contemplate the destiny God has prepared for each of us in heaven.

Please join us for Mass that day at either 7:55 am or at 12:05 pm.

Please note: when this feast falls on a Monday, Catholics in the United States are not obliged to attend Mass.

LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS*

One weekend Mass is Live-Streamed.
(available as recording at same link after the Mass)

Sunday, August 7th YouTube [Link](#)

Sunday, August 7th Order of Worship [Link](#)



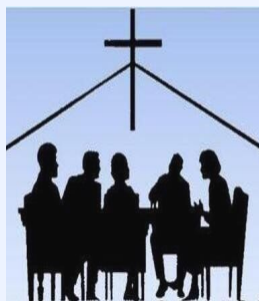
Sunday, August 14th YouTube [Link](#)

Sunday, August 14th Order of Worship [Link](#)

We will occasionally livestream the Saturday 5pm Mass instead of the Sunday 10am Mass. See the bulletin and **Weekly Missive for the latest schedule.*

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council meets on **Tuesday, August 16**. Congratulations to our newly-elected members of the Pastoral Council: **Bob Bordone, Deb Heimel, and Greg Nash!** Continuing Council members are **Jenn Gatchel, Ken Hamill, Amy Logan, Adrienne Murphy, and Yoojung Yang**. We are grateful for their continuing service! We are also **deeply grateful** to the three members who will be completing their service on the Council as of September 1st: **Jeanine Mount, Tori Steinmeier, Christopher Spicer Hankle.**



PAULIST ASSOCIATES

The Paulist Associates meet on **Wednesday, August 17**. If you'd like to learn more about the Associates, check out their **[national website](#)**. To explore becoming an Associate, call the Paulist Center office, (617) 742-4460, and we'll put you in contact with **Barbara Lapinskas**.

"RICH THOUGHTS"

All of Fr. Rich's Sunday homilies are available in blog and video format at **<https://paulist.org/RichThoughts>**.



Check out his homilies from **July 3, July 24, and July 31**.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

Please pray for **Susan Levesque**, cousin of community member **Lianne Authier**, who recently passed away.



Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form that can be found 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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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY - HAPPY HOUR

The Paulist Center Young Adult Ministry is up and running!

Join us for a Happy Hour, 7-9 pm on Wednesday, August 10th at the Owl's Nest on the Esplanade. An RSVP is encouraged, but not required.



Please note that this event is restricted to people between the ages of 22 and 39.

SUPPER CLUB VOLUNTEERS

The Wednesday Night Supper Club is always looking for new volunteers!

Starting Monday evening of each week, you can sign up to help on Wednesday with:

- meal prep at 4:00pm, or
- serving at 5:30pm

You can sign up via [Facebook link](#) or email supperclubfood@gmail.com.



Depending on the pandemic, we may move back indoors some time this fall, and then we'll need at least 30 volunteers each week.

WAYS OF GIVING

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 **August 6th and 7th** we designate our gift to **My Life My Choice**. They envision a world where no child is bought or sold. Through survivor-led programs, My Life My Choice empowers vulnerable youth to be agents of change in their own lives and in the movement to end the commercial sexual exploitation of children.

The weekend of **August 13th and 14th** we designate our gift to **Victory Programs**. They open doors to health, housing, recovery, and hope for individuals and families facing homelessness, addiction, or other chronic illnesses like HIV/AIDS.

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!**

RACIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY GROUP INVITATION

The Paulist Center Community is entering its third year of confronting racism. Out of the Just Faith Community series, **starting in November, 2020**, the **Racial Justice Advocacy Group (RJAG)** was formed. **This fall, we are planning a range of educational and community action(s). We are looking for people who are concerned about the many facets of racism** and seek concrete ways to deconstruct racist systems.



As we prepare for September, **we welcome new members** who can **meet once a month** and support the Ministry's work.

If you would like a copy of the RJAG Mission Statement and/or are interested in hearing more, please contact either **Tom Sharkey** (sharkey.te@verizon.net) or **Susan Buta** (sue@buta.org). Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 13th** and we welcome your joining us. As the date approaches, **please contact Susan Buta for the Zoom invitation.**

RIISING AFTER SOME FALLS

A lot happened in July.

In my first month here, I completed a review of the roles of our pastoral staff. To be honest, this excellent team – Norm, Susan, and Patty – have been carrying very heavy burdens for a long time. A lot of organizational structures at the Paulist Center that had been honed over the decades before March 2020 have fallen by the wayside during the pandemic, leaving each member of the pastoral staff with more administrative tasks, repetitive jobs, and last-minute deadline stress. One of my most important and immediate tasks is to find them some relief so that they can concentrate on the responsibilities for which they are uniquely qualified to do.

Meanwhile, at the St. Thomas More Newman Center of the Ohio State University, the Paulist Fathers concluded 66 years as chaplains. Bishop Fernandes – only installed on May 31 – has a very different vision for campus ministry, a vision at odds with how the Paulists developed and nurtured the Newman Center community. You can read more about it in [The Columbus Dispatch](#), [The National Catholic Reporter](#), and other places. Please pray for everyone in Columbus affected by these drastic changes, including the Paulists who were ministering there.

Back here in the Boston Paulists' residence, we don't have many updates on Chuck's health yet. Nevertheless, now that he has taken a leave of absence, we are shocked to discover how many things "Father Detail" did to care for the resident Paulists!

It's a lot to take in. But after a crucifixion, there's always an opportunity for a resurrection. These setbacks can and **will** lead to new opportunities.

First of all, the recent director of the Newman Center in Columbus, **Ed Nowak**, will become the new associate director at the Paulist Center and the new superior of the local Boston Paulist community! Ed will be moving here in a few weeks, but it will take him a while to come up to speed on everything, especially considering the emotional roller coaster he's been on in the past two months. I'm thrilled that we'll have Ed here with us, but I hope that all the native Bostonians of Irish heritage at the Paulist Center can handle working alongside two priests of Eastern-European heritage from the South Hills of Pittsburgh, PA! (The name Nowak – pronounced "NOE-vak" -- is Polish. My last name – which I pronounce "AND-ray" – is Hungarian.)

The complete turnover of Paulist personnel in a little over a month gives us a natural opportunity to ask questions about how we're doing things. And when things change, there can be a sense of energy and excitement. In a 2-week period last month, we received more requests for new memberships to the Paulist Center than we have in any other 14-day period in 5 years. There's a sense that, even if we have another surge of Covid-19 infections this fall, some long-time members are feeling ready to re-invest, re-invent, and re-invigorate ministries and systems that haven't functioned to their full potential since March 2020. We'll start rolling out lots of opportunities for ministries and volunteering in the next few weeks, so stay tuned.

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Me? I will continue to be overwhelmed for the next month or so. Here are some specific things that you can do to help relieve the burden unexpectedly placed on me last week:

- Please email me if you and your spouse are willing to lead 3 hours of talks and exercises for engaged couples on a few Saturdays throughout the year. We plan to offer 3 different sets of marriage preparation talks/exercises on each of 10 weekends per year. The goal is to get enough volunteers so that no couple needs to present more than 3 or 4 times a year. In order for engaged couples to register for our weekends, you will need to make a commitment to helping on specific weekends 4 months in advance.
- Please email me if you are willing to **coordinate** other PCC members to help with transporting the resident Paulists to their appointments. It's not clear how often we'll need help with rides, but it would be good to have this resource set up, just in case.
- If you'd like to cook a meal for the Boston Paulists in late August or early September, please contact Sal Whooley at the front desk (sal@paulistcenter.org, 617-742-4460), and he'll put you in contact with the person coordinating meals. Please note that we're a difficult crowd to cook for, with many time and dietary constraints!

Thanks for your prayers and support. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, and with our awareness of belonging to the one Body of Christ, we will pull through this difficult time, even better equipped to carry out our mission!

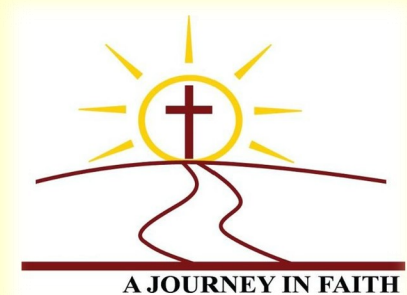
BECOMING CATHOLIC

Do you know any adults interested in:

- becoming Catholic
- learning the basics of the Catholic faith, or
- receiving the sacrament of confirmation?

We can help!

Reach out to **Fr. Rich** to start the conversation.



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PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Amy Logan

Please see our [website](#) for direct contact information.