



*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.*



**OCTOBER 1 - 2, 2022**  
**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
5:00pm	10:00am
	6:00pm

**WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES**

<b>Monday – Friday</b>
12:05pm

**ADVENT-CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**T**here is still room for more singers and instrumentalists to participate in the Annual Advent-Christmas Concert: Contact Norm Gouin, [norm@paulistcenter.org](mailto:norm@paulistcenter.org) for information. You can also use this link to fill out the **Musicians Interest Form:** <https://forms.gle/bPYb8Lq17B2UCaTe8>



**Rehearsals are held on Thursdays, 7-9pm.**

Concert will be on **Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm** and **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:30pm.**

**FAMILY ZOOM LITURGY OF THE WORD**



**T**he next Zoom Family Liturgy of the Word is **5pm Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.** This is a great opportunity for people, especially families with children, to discuss the readings and share their gratitudes and concerns. It's also an occasion for women in our community to exercise a larger liturgical role. **Zoom link** will be in the Friday electronic Missive or email Elianna at [eliannajoella@gmail.com](mailto:eliannajoella@gmail.com) for the link.

**FR. RENÉ CONSTANZA - OCTOBER 9**

**T**he new President of the Paulist Fathers, Fr. René Constanza, will be presiding at the **10am Mass on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.** We'll have **light refreshments in the library (3<sup>rd</sup> floor) after Mass** for anyone who would like to talk with him.



**We pray for our Jewish neighbors observing Yom Kippur October 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. May they have an easy fast.**

**The Paulist Center will be closed on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day. We will not have Mass or Confessions that day.**

**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.

**LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS**

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:00pm**

**YouTube [Link](#) Order of Worship [Link](#)**

*While we usually livestream the 10am Sunday Mass, we will **livestream 5pm Saturday** instead on the weekends of **October 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, and December 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>.***



**PLEASE NOTE:** As of **October 1<sup>st</sup>**, we are changing our daily Mass schedule. Instead of having Mass at different times on various days of the week, **we will celebrate Mass at 12:05pm Monday through Friday.**

**Confessions** will be available in the sacristy **11:00 - 11:45am Mondays and Fridays.** You can also reach out to **Fr. Rich** or **Fr. Ed** to schedule a confession at another time that is convenient for you.

**SERVING OUR COMMUNITY AT WORSHIP**

**W**e want to express our **heartfelt gratitude** to all our liturgical ministers and music ministers who have served us so diligently over the past two and a half years.

We are always in need of more people to serve at our weekend liturgies; however, **we are especially in need of hospitality ministers and sacristans.** If you feel called to serve in one of these ministries please contact **Norm Gouin, Pastoral Minister of Liturgy and Music** at [norm@paulistcenter.org](mailto:norm@paulistcenter.org). Information on training and formation opportunities are forthcoming.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

**W**e will hold a **memorial service** for Paulist Center Community member **Alice "A.E." Cerino on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 11am.**



A.E. was very involved in our social justice ministries for 40 years.



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## ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes are currently being held in-person on Thursdays, 7 - 8:30pm; it's not too late to get involved! Contact Fr. Ed Nowak, CSP at [Ed@Paulistcenter.org](mailto:Ed@Paulistcenter.org) to set up an initial interview to find out more about the process.

Confirmation classes for adults will be held Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30pm, October 11<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>. Confirmation will take place on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at St. Catherine of Genoa in Somerville. For more information and to sign up contact [Fr. Ed](#).

## REGISTER FOR FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (FREP) AND SACRAMENTAL PREP!

We are back in person for our Religious Education and Sacramental classes! Grades 1-6 started last Sunday and Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups start this Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. 11:15am.



\*Please note that this is a TEEN CONFIRMATION year, which only happens every other year at the Paulist Center, so if your teen is in 9<sup>th</sup> grade or higher, please consider participating in this Sacrament Preparation Program. Register at: [paulistcenter.org/Faith Formation ages 3-18/Overview](http://paulistcenter.org/Faith%20Formation%20ages%203-18/Overview) - Registration is \$150 for each family, pay online at [www.paulistcenter.org/Giving/Donate](http://www.paulistcenter.org/Giving/Donate) and select Family Ministry Program, or send in a check with your registration form.

Questions: Susan Rutkowski at [susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org) or 617-948-2426.

## RACIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY GROUP AND FREP COLLABORATION

The Racial Justice Advocacy Group and the Family Religious Education Program invite all to our multi-generational event, Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 11:15am in our auditorium. We will start with refreshments and social time and then move into our curriculum on racial justice for an hour. After a short break, there is an opportunity for advocacy work on the topic of racial justice led by our RJAG Committee here at the Center. All are welcome!

## WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT THE COMMUNITY COFFEES AFTER 10 AM SUNDAY MASS?

It's not about the coffee or the donut holes. It's about the **community**! It's a great opportunity to meet new people and get to know others better. Each week that we have one, please come down with a plan to talk for at least 5 minutes with someone whose name you don't already know.



### We currently have coffees scheduled for:

October 2 (with very minimal refreshments)  
October 16  
November 6  
December 11  
3 weekends in the spring

### We'd also like to have coffees on:

October 30  
November 20  
December 4, 18  
7 other weekends in the spring

Would you be willing to help cover some of the remaining weekends? Typically, we have teams of 4-5 people who serve one Community Coffee per month -- you pick up the bagels and donut holes, prepare the beverages downstairs before the end of Mass, and we reimburse you. (You're welcome to bring additional goodies, but we will not reimburse you for those.)

The most important aspect of the Community Coffees is helping people to get to know one another.

If this sounds like your kind of ministry, please email [Fr. Rich](#) to get involved. Thank you!

## LGBTQ+ MINISTRY

The Paulist Center welcomes LGBTQ+ identified individuals and allies. The LGBTQ+ Ministry hosts occasional events and social gatherings. To be added to a confidential email listserv with announcements and information, contact Bob Bordone at [bobbordone@gmail.com](mailto:bobbordone@gmail.com). To learn more, please contact Bob, or Rebecca Heimel at [rsheils@gmail.com](mailto:rsheils@gmail.com). Any member of the pastoral staff ([Rich](#), [Ed](#), [Mairead](#), [Norm](#), [Patty](#), [Susan](#)) would be honored to compassionately journey with you, too!



# AN URGENT NOTE FOR OUR TEENS AND THEIR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

**Rev. Richard R. Andre, C.S.P.**

*Director*

The 10 am Mass this past Sunday was exciting! Having our Family Religious Education Program (FREP) in person for the first time since March 2020, we had a big turnout, with great energy!

However, in talking afterwards with some of our teens, I was disappointed to hear that some haven't decided if they're going to participate in FREP this year, even though grades 7-12 start this weekend, October 2.

Therefore, I address the rest of this column to our teens and their parents and guardians.

Students, I understand that you probably don't want another Sunday commitment on your schedule after 2.5 years away from in-person FREP. Maybe you think that what you learned here back in 3rd-6th grade doesn't adequately address the complexities of your life today. Parents and guardians, I understand that you don't want to force your teens to go to FREP or to receive the sacrament of confirmation against their will. Some of you are so busy planning the Family Retreat on October 8-10 that you'd welcome watching Mass online this weekend instead.

My friends – teens and parents alike – let me be clear: the decision of what you do this weekend may have larger implications than you imagine. Statistics show that today, many American Catholics decide to leave the faith as early as age 13. Every person's journey is different, but after a decade in young adult ministry, I am fairly sure about 3 things:

1. If you're in grades 7-10 and you decide not to be involved with faith formation this year, it's very likely that you will not return to the faith until you're engaged to marry or you're raising a child... if you decide to return at all.
2. **OF COURSE** what you learned in 3rd-6th grade doesn't adequately address your life now! You know more about the complexities of the world and your own behavior, so we can now move beyond the black-and-white basics that we covered in elementary school.
3. If there's any place that can help teens learn about the faith, it's the Paulist Center. Even if you're not sure that you still identify as Catholic, we welcome all your most challenging questions! Each year, students begin FREP in the fall with a lot of skepticism but gain a more robust understanding of Catholicism by the spring. But this process will only happen if you engage with FREP and confirmation preparation.

Following the best models of pedagogy for teens, FREP for grades 7 and up is not a lecture-based model. We'll engage with issues of the day, exploring Catholic Social Teaching. We'll have engaging discussions, such as "How can I be sure that God exists?," "What would Jesus post on social media?," and "How do I unplug and find God in prayer?" We'll watch great movies (such as *The Mission*) and discuss the complex moral issues they raise. We'll explore issues of personal identity, and we'll put our faith into action with several service projects. If you're in the confirmation program, we'll focus our discussions on God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, prayer, the Church, and the call to mission, as well as current events in the Church. We'll also be looking at how to get you involved as a leader in our liturgical and faith formation ministries.

And if you feel that your questions aren't being addressed in FREP, make an appointment with any of the 6 pastoral members on our staff. Susan, Norm, Patty, Mairead, Fr. Ed, and I love meeting with people to explore how to live out their faith in complex situations. It's why we signed up for careers in pastoral ministry in the first place!


I can't help but think about Jesus' parable about the wedding feast (Matthew 22:1-14). Jesus invites us all to lives of discipleship, but we each must choose whether to accept that invitation. Please join us in FREP this year, even if you have doubts about remaining Catholic. If you have any concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to Susan or me.



## SEASON OF CREATION 2022 ~ SEPTEMBER 1 - OCTOBER 4



**S**eptember 1 through October 4 we celebrate the Season of Creation which Pope Francis calls “a season of increased prayer and effort on behalf of our common home.” The Season is a global ecumenical celebration of earth and our role in restoring ecological sustainability and environmental justice.

 **“VOICES FROM THE PEWS”:** Wednesday, October 5, 7:00-7:45pm on Zoom: [Link](#)  
**Dialog with Center members Julie and Dick Ladner. Topic: “What One Family Has Done”**

The Ladner family have been members of the Paulist Center Community since 1979. They have been active at the Center in many areas. Julie has been a member of the music group and cantor since the 1990's. 10 years ago they were the first family in Malden to have solar panels installed on their roof. Since then, they have made major and minor changes in their home and activities to limit their family's carbon footprint. [Video suggestions:](#)

- 7-minute video: For kids (of all ages) “I'm only a kid, I can't do anything about climate change.... right?” Katharine Hayhoe, Climate scientist and evangelical Christian, speaks to elementary and high school students (and adults): [Link](#)
- 7-minute meditation: “Peaceful Meditation on Nature [& God] : Catholic Contemplative Prayer”: [Link](#)

### COMMUNITY GIFT

**O**ur Community Gift is the Paulist Center's tradition of **giving 5% of our annual offertory to other charitable organizations.**

The weekend of **October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** we raise up **Project HOPE**, a multi-service agency at the forefront of efforts in Boston to move families up and out of poverty. They provide low-income women with children, access to education, jobs, housing, and emergency services.

**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 to **844-899-7511**; this will be designated as your “Weekend Offering.”  
**THANK YOU!!!!**

### WE HEAR YOU!... OR DO WE? (SOUND AND A/V SYSTEM UPDATES)

**I**n February 2021, we identified three necessary improvements to our sound system and audio-visual system that services the chapel and the auditorium:

1. upgraded audio-visual software and system
2. installation of a dedicated monitor speaker for the sanctuary area
3. installation of a hearing assistive system in chapel

Unfortunately, due to ongoing supply chain issues, the components and other equipment—which have been on order for almost a year—are still not available.

**Pro Sound of Boston** has informed us that they hope to receive the equipment and move forward with the installations before the Christmas season.

We thank you for your patience and understanding! Please stay tuned for further updates.



### HELP NEEDED WITH DINNERS IN OCTOBER

**T**he resident Paulists still need some help getting hot, nutritious meals on the table on **weeknights at 5:30pm**. If you could provide one or more **dinner in October**, please call the office at **617-742-4460**, and we'll put you in contact with **Paula Cuzzo** to schedule a night.

**Thank you!**



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