



# 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.



NOVEMBER 5 - 6, 2022  
32<sup>ND</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

**Monday – Friday**  
12:05pm

## RACIAL JUSTICE EVENT - THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

**O**ur first intergenerational event on racial justice was a huge success!

Our auditorium was filled with enthusiastic learners - young and old – who explored concepts like prejudice, stereotypes, and discrimination to better understand how to work for racial justice.



**Our next gathering is this Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>** in which we will use the story of **Cesar Chavez** to break open concepts of discrimination.

**We will start with Community Coffee.** All community members are welcome. Please join us!



## FAMILY WORK AND MOBILITY ACT - VOTE YES ON QUESTION 4

**M**any Paulist Center Community members helped to pass the **Family Work and Mobility Act**, which allows all qualified drivers to earn licenses, regardless of immigration status. It was a monumental achievement, and we thank you.



**However, since the bill became law in June, opponents organized a petition drive that has put repeal of the law on the November ballot. To keep the law in place we need to get up to a million people to vote Yes.** In a non-presidential election year this can be a tall order. The stakes are high - if we are defeated, it will likely be years before we have another chance.

**Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> is Election Day in Massachusetts. Please vote Yes on Question 4.** And help us to drive turnout so that this law will be protected. To learn how you can help, visit the Immigrant Advocacy Group website, <https://www.paulistcenterimmigration.org/>

## BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

**E**ach year the Paulist Center invites members of the community to include the names of family and friends who have passed in the last year (*November 2, 2021 through present*) in our

**Book of Remembrance.**

The **Book of Remembrance** will be displayed in the **Mary alcove** throughout the month of November.



## SAVE THE DATES!

**L**ight Dawns On A Dreary World ~ Advent-Christmas Concert 2022  
**Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm and Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm.**

Sunday's program begins with a presentation of the **"Christmas Story"** by our Liturgical Dance Ministry.



**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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## LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 5PM

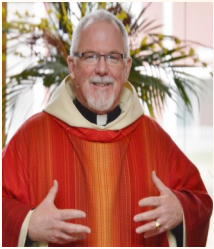
[YouTube Link](#)



[Order of Worship Link](#)

### UPDATE FROM FR. CHUCK: NOVEMBER GREETINGS!

I am well as I continue to receive treatment for prostate cancer here in Boston. You may recall that in early September, I began a regimen of chemo and prescription drug therapy to treat an aggressive and rapid form of prostate cancer, which expressed itself in July.



I have just completed the 3rd cycle of six 3-week cycles, which means I am halfway through this regimen. Blood work, taken before each chemo session, is showing good results. So, my oncologist is happy and so am I! Because the chemotherapy suppresses my immune system, I must be careful around crowds – especially with cold and flu season, and Covid.

I am very appreciative of your physical and prayerful support! It means a lot to me and helps me keep moving in the direction that God's plan has outlined for me. Be assured of my prayers for all of you!

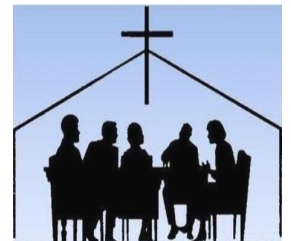
~ Fr. Chuck

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council is holding its first regular in-person meeting in nearly 3 years this Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Library.

This meeting is open to the public.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP to [adrienne.murphy@gmail.com](mailto:adrienne.murphy@gmail.com).



### VETERANS DAY

The Paulist Center will be closed **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>** in honor of **Veterans Day**. We will not have Mass or Confessions here that day.

On **Veterans Day weekend, November 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>**, there will be no Family Religious Education classes or Community Coffee.

Honoring all who  
have served and who  
are serving



Thank you to all  
Veterans



## LIVING IN AWE

**Adrienne Murphy**  
*Pastoral Council Member*

Faith is hard. As a data analyst who spends hours each day in the world of formulas and logic, I feel most comfortable in situations where I can rationalize my way into the “right answer.” But often, in my faith life, this dependence on reason leaves me wanting. How can I begin to understand what it means for God to be both three persons and yet one God? How is it possible that each Sunday we watch as mere bread is transformed into Christ’s body—despite the fact that it still looks, smells, and tastes exactly the same? Years of religious education classes have helped me unpack Church teaching on these thorny questions, but my reliance on logic often leaves me frustrated. Perhaps, in this way, I’m not so different from the Sadducees in this Sunday’s Gospel.

In this weekend’s Gospel reading, the Sadducees throw a real zinger of a question in Jesus’s direction in an attempt to demonstrate the complete irrationality of his teachings. In today’s parlance, maybe it would have sounded something more like, “how in the world can this Heaven thing that you proclaim be real? I mean, if a woman marries each of 7 brothers, who will she spend forever with in Heaven?” My first thought?... Good question!

But it’s only a good question if we rely on logic. Jesus’s answer urges the Sadducees—and all of us—to realize that logic can only take us so far. We cannot fathom the answer to the Sadducees’ question, because the reality of Heaven exceeds human comprehension. There are times when we must come to terms with the fact that we will never fully understand and that we must live in awe.

At no point in my life has the need to live in awe been clearer to me than in these last few months as an expectant mom. As we watched our daughter squirm around via ultrasound last week, the technician pointing out all of her tiny organs, I could not help but feel an immense sense of awe. I’ve read about the science behind what’s going on inside of me, and yet there is something about this process that feels simply magical—something beyond my own human comprehension.

As we enter this season of gratitude, leading up to the Thanksgiving holiday, my wish for each member of our Paulist Center Community is that we each can find something that defies rationalization and allows us to live in awe, even just for a few moments. Maybe it’s a last flower bud that has survived well into the November chill or the smile of a stranger on the T just when you need it the most—excuses to live in awe are all around us, if only we take a moment to see them!

### THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER CLUB - VOLUNTEERING

**J**ust in time as the autumn nights begin to get colder, the **Wednesday Night Supper Club** is **back inside**, offering our guests a warm place to enjoy a delicious meal and the company of friends!

**If you are interested in joining our team of wonderful volunteers, please email [supperclubfood@gmail.com](mailto:supperclubfood@gmail.com).**



## 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 **November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>** we lift up **Catholic Charities USA**. This is to support the dioceses of Puerto Rico and southeastern United States in their hurricane relief efforts. Envelopes will be in the pews if you wish to make an additional donation.

### 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"



## THE VOICE & THINGS TO KNOW

**T**he Paulist Fathers have recently mailed out the **autumn 2022** edition of *The Voice*. You can read it online here: <https://paulist.org/the-voice-autumn-2022/>.



This week's Paulist e-newsletter, *Things to Know*, features a 7-minute **video interview of Fr. Rich** recorded over a year ago when he was serving in Austin, TX: <https://youtu.be/Fe11377Exk>.

You can find a 33-minute **audio-only version** of this interview at: <https://archive.storycorps.org/interviews/robust-faith/>.

To sign up to receive *The Voice* by mail and/or *Things to Know* via email, please email [development@paulist.org](mailto:development@paulist.org).

## LGBTQ+ MINISTRY

**T**he 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 Heibel** at [rsheils@gmail.com](mailto:rsheils@gmail.com). Any member of the pastoral staff (**Rich, Ed, Norm, Patty, Susan**) would be honored to compassionately journey with you, too!



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