



## 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.*



**MAY 18 - 19, 2024 - PENTECOST**

**MAY 25 - 26, 2024 - TRINITY SUNDAY**

**WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES**

**Saturday**  
5pm

**Sunday**  
10am  
6pm

**WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES**

**Monday - Friday**  
12:05pm

**CONFESSIONS**

**Friday, 11:00-11:45am, and by appointment**

### FR. RICH'S FAREWELL PARTY: SUNDAY, JUNE 2 @ 11:15 AM

As we all know, **Fr. Rich's last weekend** actively engaged with the Paulist Center Community is **June 1 - 2**. His **farewell party** follows the 10am Mass at **11:15am** in our auditorium. Please join us for good food, final thoughts, and laughs while we wish Fr. Rich well.



As a priest who has made a promise of gospel simplicity, the last thing Rich needs is more physical items to pack and move! If you would like to purchase a gift, please consider donating a **gift card** to **Star Market** or **Market Basket** to **offer to our Food Pantry clients**. Donation boxes will be up the weekend of **June 1 - 2** in both the vestibule, Mary Alcove, and down in the auditorium during Rich's party.

Rich also encourages people to make a donation to the Paulist Fathers ([paulist.org/give](http://paulist.org/give)) or to the Paulist Center ([paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give](http://paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give)) on Rich's behalf.

### FINAL FREP SUNDAY OF 2023-24

All religious education classes **Sunday, May 19**, will take part in the "Empowering God's Children" Curriculum. All classes will meet in their usual locations for the grade-level programs:

K - 1: 6<sup>th</sup> Fl, Rm 16

2 - 3: 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl, Seminar Rm

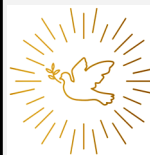
4 - 6 & Jr. High: 6<sup>th</sup> Fl, Rm 22

Sr. High: 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl, Library



Afterward, all children will gather in the auditorium for an **end-of-year party!**

### 2025 TEEN CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING



This September marks the beginning of our Sacramental preparation program for teens interested in Celebrating the sacrament of confirmation at the Paulist center.

**All parents are invited to an informational Zoom meeting on Tuesday, May 28 at 7pm** to learn more about the program. The link will be published closer to the meeting date.

For questions, please contact **Susan Rutkowski** at [susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org).

### FLOWERS THROUGHOUT THE EASTER SEASON

Thank you to all who helped us to continue to decorate our Chapel throughout the Easter Season. Please keep the following donors and their loved ones in your prayers.

**Constance Cervone & Family in memory of Tina and Leonard Cervone, Elena & Achilles Bagnulo, Concetta and John Battista Cervone, and Clara Matteucci**

**Barbara Cox in memory of Mary Cox, Richard, Anne Loughlin**

**Paula Cuozzo in memory of Anthony Cuozzo**

**James Gumataotao in memory of Elaine Gumataotao**

**Julie and Jim Zigo in memory of Judy Teehan**



### YAM HOSTS COMMUNITY POTLUCK - SUNDAY, MAY 26

**Sunday, May 26**, the Young Adult Ministry (YAM) will be hosting the monthly **Community-wide Dinner** in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl Library after the **6pm Mass**. Open to **all** who bring a dish (not just young adults). Don't forget to RSVP by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/YAMPotluck> by Friday, May 24!



**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

**Sunday, May 19, 10am**

**Pentecost**

YouTube [Link](#)

Order of Worship [Link](#)



**Sunday, May 26, 10am**

**Trinity Sunday**

YouTube [Link](#)

Order of Worship [Link](#)

### WELCOME TO YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (YAM)!

**W**e are a community of young adults (18 - 39 years old) focused on living out our faith through community, service, and spirituality. Even if you don't consider yourself Catholic, we'd love to welcome you into our community! If you're interested in learning more, please reach out to our **Young Adult Minister, Gus**, to schedule a **1-on-1 meeting** at <http://tinyurl.com/PCI-on-1>.



**Monthly Bible Study** will be on **Thursday, May 30**, from 6-7pm in Rm 13 on the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Paulist Center. Please email **Gus** at [youngadults@paulistcenter.org](mailto:youngadults@paulistcenter.org) that you're coming.

*Walk-ins are welcome!*

### ALL ARE WELCOME MASS - FRI, JUNE 7, 6:30PM

**M**ark your calendars for this year's "All Are Welcome" Mass as we kick off Pride Weekend here in Boston. The Paulist Center will be hosting this year's Mass on **Friday, June 7 at 6:30pm**. **Everyone** is welcome to join us as we celebrate Pride Month and stand in solidarity with the LGBTQIA community and renew our commitment to creating a more inclusive and accepting world for all. Following Mass, we'll gather in the auditorium for refreshments and to continue the celebration with our friends and neighbors.

**Sponsored by the Greater Boston LGBTQIA Catholic Collaborative and The Paulist Center's LGBTQIA Ministry.**



### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS - 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE HECKER AWARD!

**T**his year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our beloved **Isaac Hecker Award for Social Justice!**

The very first Hecker Award was presented to Dorothy Day right here in our Holy Spirit Chapel in 1974.



We are asking all community members to put on their thinking caps and come up with some thoughtful nominations for our 50<sup>th</sup> celebration this fall.

Our Hecker Award guidelines are [here](#).

Questions? **Contact Susan Rutkowski** at [susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org).

### IMMIGRATION ADVOCACY GROUP WELCOMES UKRAINIAN REFUGEE FAMILIES!

**T**he Paulist Center Immigration Advocacy Group (IAG) has welcomed the first of two Ukrainian refugee families to their new home in Burlington, MA. Now begins the important work of helping them make their way in their new country and your help is urgently needed. The highest priority right now is for rides to health care appointments, shopping, school and camp enrollment and all the daily trips necessary in family life. For more information and **to volunteer**, contact **Carol Geyer** at **617-816-9254**; [geycarol@gmail.com](mailto:geycarol@gmail.com).

### REST IN PEACE, EDDIE!



**L**ast week we said goodbye to one of our favorite **Supper Club volunteers**. **Eddie McCarthy played the piano** during supper every Wednesday for **20+ years** and made friends with all of the many guests and volunteers who passed through.

He was a joy to all of us.

We love and will miss you Eddie!



## *Come, Holy Spirit*

# THE SEQUENCE FOR PENTECOST: AN ANCIENT HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Normand Gouin, *Pastoral Minister of Liturgy and Music*

Throughout the Church year, our great liturgical feasts are filled with a rich treasury of music. We all know and cherish the many beloved Christmas carols. What is Easter without the majesty of the great songs proclaiming the resurrection and the joyful strains of our alleluias? In fact, if we were to close our eyes and simply hear the hymn *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* or *Ubi Caritas* or the rousing acclamation *You have put on Christ*, we would no doubt be instantly transported to a specific liturgical season, a specific day, and even a specific ritual action within the liturgical year. Music wedded to biblical and inspired poetic text has and will always have the power to draw us ever deeper into the mystery of God.

The great solemnity of Pentecost, which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and other disciples following the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ (*Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2*), and signifies the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world, is also marked by its own music. This weekend we will sing a setting of the ancient sequence *Veni Sancte Spiritus* (Come Holy Spirit) immediately before the gospel. This chant is typically sung at solemn liturgical and sacramental moments in the life of the Church. We hear it at ordinations, at the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation, at the election of a pope, at the Easter Vigil, and of course on Pentecost.

The sequence is generally thought to have begun as a genre of poetry around the ninth century when Gregorian Chant was flourishing and spreading throughout Europe. A signature element of chant of that era was a flowery, artistic expression on the last syllable of the Alleluia, which extended over several moving notes — a technique known as a *melisma* or *jubilus*. Because these *jubili* were often difficult to learn, poets and musicians started to use prose texts to help a singer memorize the long and complex melodies. Therefore, many of the earliest sequences of this time ended each line with the letter “A” in order to drive home its connection with the Alleluia.

Because chant of this era was originally used as a meditation on Scripture, the purpose of the Sequence developed from a teaching tool for the singer into a musical reflection on the Alleluia verse. The Sequence for Pentecost develops the verse for the Alleluia, which is, “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” The Pentecost Sequence picks up this verse and develops it into one of the most beautiful poetic masterpieces of our time. Literary scholars, musicians and liturgists have sometimes referred to the Pentecost Sequence as the “Golden Sequence.”<sup>1</sup>

As we sing these words this weekend, may we *pay attention* to the implications of this plea to the Holy Spirit. May we experience and know the enormous and unfathomable power of this force of Love that overshadowed the apostles – that opened their eyes and hearts to recognize that the Advocate, which Jesus had promised, has truly come to unite and not divide, to heal and to restore, to disturb the status quo and free us from our complacency, to dispel all fear and wipe out all despair. *Come, Holy Spirit!*

Come, Holy Spirit, come.  
And from your celestial home  
Shed a ray of light divine.  
Come, Refuge of the poor.  
Come, source of all our store.  
Come, within our bosoms shine.

You, of comforters the best;  
You, the soul's most welcome guest;  
Sweet refreshment here below;  
In our labor, rest most sweet;  
Grateful coolness in the heat;  
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed Light divine,  
Shine within these hearts of yours,  
And our inmost being fill.  
Where you are not, we have naught,  
Nothing good in deed or thought,  
Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour your dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away;  
Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore  
And confess you, evermore  
In your sevenfold gift descend;  
Give them virtue's sure reward;  
Give them your salvation, Lord;  
Give them joys that never end.  
Amen. Alleluia.

*Contemporary Setting in English*

Link to *Come, Holy Spirit* – Collegeville, MN  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe8pnl4mDIo>

*Traditional Setting sung in Latin*

Link to *Veni Sancte, Spiritus* – Gregorian Chant  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HO73F3H9scE>



## STEWARDSHIP

The Paulist Center receives no funding from outside sources. All costs to operate our ministries for both members and the wider Boston community, maintain the building, and pay our staff are supported solely by your financial donations. *We are so grateful for your financial support!* See [paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give](https://paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give) for ways to give to the Paulist Center. Two options include:



Give a one-time or recurring donation using your bank account or credit card by visiting [tinyurl.com/DonatePaulistCenter](https://tinyurl.com/DonatePaulistCenter) or scanning the QR code on this page outlined in blue. You can use this method for donations for specific programs, too, and, if you are a registered member with us, these donations will be included in a year-end tax statement sent to you for any donations that are tax deductible per IRS regulations. Giving by this method helps us with our budgeting and stewardship efforts.



Use **Apple Pay** or **Google Pay** by visiting [donorbox.org/paulistcenter](https://donorbox.org/paulistcenter), scanning the QR code on the red cards in the pews, or scanning the QR code on this page outlined in red. Please note that these donations will **not** be included in any year-end giving tax records, and they solely support our general operations.

## COMMUNITY GIFT

The Paulist Center gives 5% of our annual offertory to 52 other charitable organizations with missions consonant with our own. These organizations receive an equal amount from our annual offertory. The weekend of **May 18 and 19** we raise up **New Ways Ministry**, a Church ministry working for reconciliation for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Catholics. The weekend of **May 25 and 26** we raise up **Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC)** which engages young people in vital service within poor communities, fostering the growth of leaders committed to faith in action.

## ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Pastoral Council will be holding an **election in June for three council member seats**. We hope some of you will consider running and joining us in this act of service. As you ponder your possible candidacy, please read the description for more information on the role and election guidelines.

**The Role:** The Pastoral Council includes eight community members and offers leadership in the Paulist Center community in several ways. The role includes supervising the operation of the Center in collaboration with the Paulists and staff, organizing and overseeing community projects (like this election!), approval of the budget, appointment of permanent committees, and communicating with the Paulist Center community about Council actions and general issues affecting the community.

Council members are expected to attend monthly meetings (currently held on Wednesday evenings), be an active member in the community, be willing to listen to different voices, and represent the perspectives of all community members in order to help the Director fulfill his responsibilities. Council members typically contribute 4-8 hours of time per month including meetings, email correspondence, liaising with ministry representatives, and supporting small projects. They are, also, encouraged to be visibly present at Mass and community events.

**Guidelines:** To apply, candidates must obtain 25 signature endorsements from Paulist Center Community Members and submit a 250-300 word statement as to why you wish to serve in this capacity. Endorsements and statements are **due by Friday, May 24**.



Elections for council members will be held from June 8 - 16 for three member seats for a two-year term from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2026.

For more information please contact **Deb Heimel, Pastoral Council Chair**, at [pccouncil@paulistcenter.org](mailto:pccouncil@paulistcenter.org).

*We look forward to hearing from you!*

## CREATION CARE MINISTRY



The next Creation Care meeting will be Monday, **June 10** at 5pm on **Zoom**. Please email [paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com](mailto:paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link.

*All are welcome.*

**Pastoral Staff:** Rich Andre, CSP; Normand Gouin; Gus Kellerman;  
Susan Rutkowski; Patricia Simpson; Rick Walsh, CSP

**Administrative Staff:** Barbara Dunay; Dorothy Messenger;  
Rob Smyser; Sal Whooley

**Custodial Staff:** Alvaro Enamorado; Timmy Valle

(See our [website](#) for staff contact information.)

**Pastoral Council Chair:** Deb Heimel  
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**Finance Committee Chair:** Mary Lesko

**Worship Committee Chair:** Claire Byrne  
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