



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 25 - 26, 2025 - 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10am
 6pm

WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES
Monday – Friday
 12:00pm

CONFESSIONS

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 AT THE PAULIST CENTER

Our First Holy Communion preparation classes will begin this Sun, Jan 26 from 11:15am - 12:30pm. This is a **meeting for both parents and children** looking to celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 10am Mass on Sun, May 18 at the Paulist Center.

The **Rite of Enrollment for First Communion** will take place next Sun, Feb 2 at the 10am Mass.



Primarily a home preparation program using **Pflaum Publication's Together In Jesus** curriculum, families join in larger group activities over the course of the 5-month preparation period.

Additionally, participants share a Seder meal (date TBD), learn experientially, and reflect on the significance of the Eucharist at a retreat and rehearsal.

****Please register online for all sacramental prep programs at FREP Registration Form or contact Susan Rutkowski at susan@paulistcenter.org with any questions or concerns.**

FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (FREP) CLASSES

All religious education classes, including teen confirmation, **will meet this Sun, Jan 26 after the 10am Mass** in their usual locations.

- ♦ Kindergarten - 1st grade: 6th Fl, Rm 17
- ♦ Grades 2 - 3: 2nd Fl Seminar Rm
- ♦ Grades 4 - 6: 6th Fl, Rm 22
- ♦ Jr High: 6th Fl, Rm 13
- ♦ Teen Confirmation: 3rd Fl Library



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

Please pray for long time community member Chris O'Keeffe as he mourns the sudden loss of his beloved wife, **Holly Baab**, this past week.

A wake will be held at the Slattery Funeral home in Marlborough on Fri, Feb 7 (time TBD).

A funeral Mass will be held here at the Paulist Center on Sat, Feb 8 at 11am.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

SAT, MAY 3, 2025

42ND ANNUAL PAULIST CENTER AUCTION



Please join us for a **Kick-off Meeting** via Zoom, **this Thurs, Jan 30 at 7:30pm.** **Zoom link**

At this meeting we will get everyone's ideas for making our auction a fun community building event as well as a successful fundraiser to support the Center. We'll also select the best theme ever with your input!

Please join us!

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 LINK



Sun, Jan 26, 10am
3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time



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

CAN YOU HELP BUY SUPPLIES FOR OUR SERVICE PROJECT?

Please support our **FREP children** and the **Immigration Advocacy Group** in a service project to create **hygiene kits for the migrant shelters supported by Catholic Charities Boston.**

Kits will be assembled **after the 10am Mass on Sun, Feb 9** in the auditorium as part of our FREP curriculum.

We need enough of the following items to assemble **330 kits**:



- ♦ new socks
- ♦ packs of hair ties
- ♦ new hair brushes
- ♦ new hand towels
- ♦ men's and women's deodorant
- ♦ toothpaste
- ♦ toothbrushes
- ♦ soap
- ♦ menstrual pads

You can shop directly for these items on our **Amazon wish list** (<https://tinyurl.com/4dx6x6fd>) or you can drop items off in the Mary alcove. ***We appreciate your help!***



This QR code will also bring you to the Amazon wish list!

IMMIGRATION ADVOCACY GROUP (IAG) COMMUNITY MEETING

We are called by the Church to assure that migrants' human rights are respected, and that their basic physical, emotional, and spiritual needs are met. As a community, we need to figure out how we can best help. Please join us at our quarterly community meeting next **Sun, Feb 2 after the 10am Mass** in the 3rd Fl Library.



We'll gather as a community for a listening session in response to the changing priorities of the Trump administration. We'll also learn about the various activities at the Paulist Center to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are also immigrants.

For further information, email us at paulistcenterimmigration@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER CLUB

Every Wednesday night in the Paulist Center auditorium, volunteers serve a hot, delicious, dignified, sit-down meal **for our neighbors who are hungry.**

Please consider coming in on a Wednesday to help serve (5:30pm) and clean up (7pm).

If you can plan on coming, please email supperclubfood@gmail.com to let our team know. If it's last minute, no worries. Just show up and we'll put you to work! ***Thank You!***



CREATION CARE MINISTRY

The Creation Care ministry invites high school students to attend the **Catholic Youth Climate Summit**, a student-designed, **free workshop** on **Sun, Feb 9, 10am – 3:30pm**. A day of learning and planning climate action. Free, open to all high school students and faculty, and **lunch is provided**.

Location: **St. John's Prep, Danvers**.

For info on registration email: paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com

Creation Care ministry's next meeting: **Mon, Feb 3 at 5pm on Zoom**. *All are welcome!*

For the Zoom link, email paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY AT THE PAULIST CENTER

Welcome to Young Adult Ministry! We are a community of young adults (18-39 yrs) 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! To learn more, please reach out to our **Young Adult Minister, Gus Kellerman**, by emailing him at youngadults@paulistcenter.org.

Schedule a 1-on-1 Meeting with Gus: If you're a young adult looking for community, please feel free to reach out to **Gus** to express interest in a 1-on-1 meeting at <http://tinyurl.com/PC1-on-1>



YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL

Hello everyone,

Thank you so much for making our community so special! This past year was incredible, and we were so happy to spend so much time together in 2024.

Looking ahead to this upcoming year, we'd love to offer even more unique opportunities for community building, reflection, service, activism, and fun.

In order to most effectively do this we need to hear your input.



You're invited to fill out a short survey (either by scanning the QR Code or visiting [this link](#)) that will help us at the Center get a better sense for your availability and interests. We may offer more potlucks and Bible studies sure, but we also want to provide even greater and more unique chances to have fun and give back to our communities - locally and globally both secular and sacred.



We've also come up with a few ideas for excursions to take this month (and potentially in February) - such as ice skating on the Common's Frog Pond or taking a trip to an escape room - so let us know which you'd be most interested in attending.

After we get all of your feedback we'll send out a follow up asking logistical questions about travel and scheduling - so no worries if you don't know whether you'll be available, just tell us broadly which events pique your interest.

Thanks again for being a part of this community. We can't wait to spend more time with you this year!

Gus

One Beacon Street Garage \$12/\$14

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. \$12 on weekends. \$14 on weekdays after 4PM. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the Chapel vestibule.

Boston Common Garage \$10

Purchase ticket in reception office on weekdays. On weekends, ask a staff member after Mass. Or, purchase at garage office. Nights & Weekends valid between 4PM thru 8AM.

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. See paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give for ways to give. Two options:



Give a one-time or recurring donation using your bank account or credit card by visiting 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, 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.

This weekend, **Jan 25 - 26**, we raise up **Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA)** in their efforts responding to the devastating wildfires in southern California. Should you wish to make an additional contribution, there are envelopes in the pews marked "Special Collection" - please make checks payable directly to "**Catholic Charities USA**" and **notate LA wildfires in the check memo**.



To make a gift online, please visit the CCUSA Los Angeles Wildfires relief donation page. One hundred percent of all donations will be allocated to Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, which will provide critical humanitarian relief to those most in need.

TAX DONATION LETTERS

If you gave to the Center in an identifiable way this past calendar year, you will be sent a **tax donation letter by the start of February**. There is no need to specifically request a letter, unless you don't receive one by early February.

Please note, per the IRS, retired folks who give directly from their retirement accounts receive their tax deductible donation documentation from their retirement plan provider, not from us.



If you have any questions, contact **Patty Simpson** at patty@paulistcenter.org or 617-948-2428.

Thank you so much for your generosity to the Center. **We are greatly appreciative!**

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