



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 17 - 18, 2026
2ND 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

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRIES SPEAK OUT

As we mark this weekend honoring the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., congregations across the nation—of every faith and tradition—are lifting their voices in the call for justice.

Recent events in Venezuela, Minneapolis, and elsewhere, only underline the urgency of this moment.

Rooted in the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, we add our voices to these faith communities. Our faith demands that we not only speak, but act—standing with those who suffer, confronting systems of oppression, and working for the common good.

In this time of division and uncertainty, may this shared witness of faith shine like a beacon—guiding us toward courage, compassion, and hope. The Paulist Center’s social justice ministries urge you to make your faith visible: to speak truth, to act for justice, and to respond boldly to the moral crises facing our nation.

If you are interested in becoming more involved, please contact one of us. If you are unable to access the links below, send an email to Susan Rutkowski, email below.

In Christ,

Peter McLoughlin and **Trudy Macdonald** (Creation Care)

Mi-Rang Yoon and **Chris O’Keeffe** (Immigration Advocacy)

Rebecca Heimel and **Bob Bordone** (LGBTQ+ Group)

Tom Sharkey (Racial Justice)

Emily Hankle (Supper Club)

Susan Rutkowski, Pastoral Minister for Social Justice, susan@paulistcenter.org



NO FREP - JANUARY 18

There are no Religious Education Classes (FREP) this Sunday!

Classes resume next Sunday, January 25.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY OBSERVED

The Paulist Center will be **closed on Monday, January 19** in observance of **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**.

There will be **no 12pm Mass on Monday, January 19.**

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

Saturday, January 17, 5pm
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

YouTube [Link](#)



Order of Worship [Link](#)

FREP THIRD ANNUAL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

FREP students will once again be **collecting items for hygiene kits to be donated to Catholic Charities**. These kits are even more important this year as federal funding cuts are hitting people who use Catholic Charities services hard.

Our goal is to assemble 400 hygiene kits.

You can help:

- ◆ by donating items through our Amazon wish list
- ◆ by decorating *You Are Loved* cards
- ◆ by helping to assemble kits on **Sun, Feb 8 after the 10 am Mass**.

The Amazon wish list can be accessed through this website: <https://tinyurl.com/2kssp9sf> or by using the **QR code**.



More information about the event, including a link to *You Are Loved* cards, and ways to donate other than through Amazon, is here:

<https://sites.google.com/view/frep-service-project/home>

You can also contact **Brigid Rowlings** at brigidrowlings@gmail.com.



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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES



First Communion Classes start up in January! **The first meeting is on Jan 25 at 11:15am.**

This is a meeting for both parents and children looking to celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sun, May 17 at the Paulist Center.

If you have not signed up and would like to register, the registration form is posted on our website. Here is the [link](#).

Please contact **Susan Rutkowski** at susan@paulistcenter.org with any questions.

THE PAULIST CENTER'S 43RD ANNUAL AUCTION - KICK-OFF MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 26 AT 7PM VIA ZOOM



Please join us for the Auction Kick-off Meeting! Believe it or not, it's time to begin planning for the Center's biggest fundraiser and community building event of the year. The Auction is a time to come together as we share a meal, enjoy each other's company, and participate in silent and live auctions.

At this kickoff meeting, we will select the theme for this year's special evening. All are welcome to join and provide input to the theme.

We will meet from 7:00 - 8:30pm via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/PCCAuctionKickoff2026>

The auction will be held on **Saturday, May 2**; more information will be coming in February about how to get involved - you don't want to miss it!

The Auction also provides many opportunities for volunteering- a great way to become more connected to each other. Two very important roles that we need your help with right now are a **graphic designer** and a **lead decorator**.

If you are interested, please contact us at auction@paulistcenter.org or speak to one of the co-chairs.

Thank you!

Maggie Keefe and Jordan Johnson, Auction Co-Chairs 2026

BRAINS & BLESSINGS TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE PAULIST CENTER!

The Pastoral Council is hosting **Brains & Blessings Trivia Night on Friday, February 6.**

It will be held in the auditorium from 7 - 9pm.

\$20 per person at the door includes pizza, salad, and non-alcoholic beverages.



RSVP: email Mares at supperclubfood@gmail.com

Teams will be decided on Feb 6.

PRAYER AND ACTION IN TROUBLED TIMES: LESSONS FROM CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS

Join us for our next session on key documents from our Catholic Social Teachings that have challenged and inspired our faith tradition over time.

We will learn about them and consider what insights and actions they inspire as we face myriad assaults on social justice today.

Raúl E. Zegarra, a community member and Asst. Prof. of Roman Catholic Theological Studies at Harvard Divinity School, will lead the sessions.

Sunday, February 8 at 7pm in the 3rd Fl Library

Pizza will be served.



CORI

The Paulist Center appreciates everyone in our community who donates their time and volunteers with us in our ministries, projects, events, and more. For those of you who have volunteered with us in the past, you know what time of year it is!

All volunteers and staff must fill out a CORI (Criminal Offender Record of Information) form with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts every year in order to comply with our safety guidelines.

This background check helps us ensure the safety of our community and those we serve. We are grateful for all the time and effort you all already put into our community, and ask you to take the time to fill out the CORI form with us.

Liz will be available before and after Mass on Saturdays and Sundays through January and February to assist everyone. Part of this process includes ID verification, so please bring a government-issued identification with you if you intend on filling out a CORI form. An email will be sent out to previous volunteers explaining this process in more detail.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Liz Framski via email at liz@paulistcenter.org

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.



Use Apple Pay or Google Pay by visiting donorbox.org/paulistcenter, scanning the QR code on the red cards in the pews or 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 charitable organizations with missions consonant with our own. These organizations receive an equal amount from our annual offertory.

The weekend of **January 17 and 18** we raise up **The Massachusetts Bail Fund** (MBF). The MBF pays bail to secure freedom from pre-trial incarceration so that those who cannot afford their bail can be in their community to fight their case. Pre-trial freedom allows individuals, families, and communities to stay productive, together, and stable.

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