



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.

PRESIDENT OF THE PAULIST FATHERS

As Fr. Michael McGarry announced a few weeks ago, we will be welcoming the **President of the Paulist Fathers, Fr. Eric Andrews**, to an **open forum** on the issues around clergy misconduct and the Paulist Fathers' commitment to safe environments. Please mark your calendar for **Tuesday, January 22nd, 7pm**, here at the **Paulist Center**. **All are welcome!**



BOSTON AREA CATHOLICS STRUGGLING TO STAY CATHOLIC MEETUP

This Group will meet 7-8:30pm on Thursday, January 17th in the 3rd Floor Library.



For information or to RSVP, please contact **Bill Mitchell** at bmitch@gmail.com.

THANK YOU!

The Arts & Environment Team sincerely appreciate those who prepared our Chapel during Advent/Christmas:



Setting up the Christmas trees: **Nick, Desire, and Chino**

Wreaths: **Susan Brennan, Miriam Chenaif, Joan LeBel, Margaret Ris, Suzanne and Jay Sampson, Elaine Sullivan**



Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form, found in the welcome brochure at the entranceway to the Chapel or on our website. You may also call the Reception Desk at 617-742-4460. After returning the form, a staff member will contact you.

JANUARY 12 - 13, 2019

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday

7:55 AM

12:05 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation on

First Fridays from 11-11:45 AM
and by appointment

JOIN OUR PROTESTANT BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN PRAYER

Join the **Paulist Center Community**, together with our friends at the **Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul**, the **Church of the Covenant**, and other downtown churches, as we pray for the unity of **Christ's Church** as He prayed for on the night before he died.

Around the world, Christians will observe the **"Week of Prayer for Christian Unity,"**

January 18th - 25th. We will be with them, **next Saturday, January 19th, 7-8pm**, at the **Cathedral of St. Paul (138 Tremont)**.



INFANT BAPTISM

The next preparation session for new or expectant parents will be **next Saturday, January 19th from 10am-12pm**.



Please contact **Fr. Chuck**, should you have questions or to **pre-register** for the session, chuck@paulistcenter.org.

NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

There will be no classes **next Sunday, January 20th** due to the **Martin Luther King Jr. holiday**.



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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The first preparation gathering for the sacrament will take place on **Sunday, January 27th at 11:15am**. If you would like to register your child for this sacramental preparation program, **please fill out the registration form** found in the Family Ministry Brochure that are in the racks in the vestibule.



Any questions, please contact **Susan Rutkowski at 617-948-2426** or susan@paulistcenter.org.

WELCOME TO SAL WHOOLEY - OUR NEW RECEPTIONIST

We are very happy to welcome **Sal Whooley** as our **new Paulist Center receptionist**.



Sal has lived in Boston most of his life. He brings a warm demeanor and background of working on administrative issues and helping folks navigate through administrative systems.

He has the rare luxury of being able to walk to work if he so chooses! Please introduce yourself to Sal, if you come to or through our front reception area on any weekday, and give him a warm Paulist Center welcome.

COMMUNITY COFFEE

Please join us **this Sunday** for Community Coffee **after the 10am and 12pm Masses** in the **Auditorium**.



STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD (after 5% gift)
Weekend Collection	\$14,517	\$174,040
Budget Amount	\$11,378	\$205,373
Difference	\$3,139	(\$31,333)

We remind you that it is only through the generosity of your resources that makes the activities of the Paulist Center possible. Weekend collections are the "bread and butter" of our operating budget. If you wish to make an offering, please make checks payable to the Paulist Center and mail to 5 Park Street, Boston, MA 02108. Even better, sign up to give electronically through our website. We thank you for your generosity.



5% COMMUNITY GIFT

We give 5% of our total fiscal-year weekend collections to various organizations. This weekend we designate our gift to **Bridge Over Troubled Waters**, an organization dedicated to transforming the lives of run-away, homeless, and high-risk youth through supportive relationships and innovative services that guide them toward self-sufficiency. For further information, please visit www.bridgeotw.org. We thank you for your continued support.

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	1/13	FREP - 6 th Fl, Rooms 13, 16, 17, 22; 2 nd Fl, Rm 2	11:15am
		Confirmation Class - 3 rd Fl, Library	11:15am
		Community Coffee - Auditorium	11:15am
		Community Coffee - Auditorium	1:15pm
		RCIA - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
		1st Reconciliation - Chapel	1:15pm
		LGBTQ Group Event - Auditorium	4:00pm
Wed	1/16	Supper Club - Auditorium	6:00pm
Thur	1/17	Struggling to Stay Catholic - 3 rd Fl, Library	7:00pm
Sat	1/19	3rd Saturday Breakfast - Auditorium	9:00am
Sun	1/20	RCIA - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
		Young Adult Dinner - Auditorium	7:00pm
Mon	1/21	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Center Closed	

PARKING AT THE PAULIST CENTER

One Beacon Street Garage \$12.00

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. All weekend and after 4pm on weekdays. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the Chapel vestibule during Masses or in reception weekday evenings.

Boston Common Garage \$10.00

Purchase single tickets in the reception office weekday evenings or purchase a 20 ticket booklet at the garage office. Valid after 4pm weekdays and all weekend, as long as you exit before 8am the next day.

DIRECTOR'S REFLECTION

Dear Companions on the Journey,

If you were to have the privilege of listening in on Jesus' prayer to his Father, what do you imagine you might hear? What were Jesus' concerns?

Actually we don't have to imagine it, for we have St. John's memory of how Jesus prayed on the night before he died:

*I ask not only on behalf of these [my disciples], but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, **that they may all be one.** As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, **so that the world may believe that you have sent me.** The glory that you have given me I have given them, **so that they may be one, as we are one,** I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. (John 17:20-23)*

As a way of fulfilling Jesus' prayer, about a hundred years ago, a small group inaugurated the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**, now observed by Christians around the world. Each year, Christians from a different part of the globe select a theme to inform the week of prayer. This year, Indonesians were invited to choose the theme, and they settled on "**Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue**" (cf. Deuteronomy 16:20). It was chosen for its powerful message of promoting truth, equality and unity:

We do this in a world where corruption, greed and injustice bring about inequality and division. We are called together to form a united witness for justice and for Christian Unity that becomes a means of Christ's healing grace for the brokenness of the world. Only by heeding Jesus' prayer 'that they all may be one' can we witness to living unity in diversity.

Locally, we have a *great opportunity* to pray with our Christian neighbors from our downtown neighborhood: our Episcopalian brothers and sisters at the Cathedral of St. Paul; our United Church of Christ/Presbyterian brothers and sisters from the Church of the Covenant; and many others. Some of them have never prayed with Catholics before, and – I would wager – some of us Catholics have never prayed with Episcopalians, Presbyterians, United Church of Christ and others before! Now's the time, as Jesus yearned so passionately on the night before he died.

When? 7pm, Saturday, January 19th (for about an hour). **Where? Cathedral of St. Paul (138 Tremont Street**, just down the street from the Paulist Center).

Join us for this annual moment of stretching beyond our local community!

And let us pray for/with one another.

Michael

The Paulist Center

RCIA - LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a community based catechesis and formation process to assist adults who seek Baptism. **We are looking for volunteers, from the Paulist Center Community**, to be part of the Break Open the Word session. The **commitment would be once a month, on Sunday, through Easter for one hour**. Attend the Noon Mass Liturgy of the Word and then go with our catechumen, Melissa, to talk about what was heard in the readings and homily. **The session ends at 1pm.**

Contact **Fr. Chuck** for more information,
chuck@paulistcenter.org.



ANNUAL PAULIST APPEAL

This year, the **Paulist Fathers** observe the **bi-centennial year of Paulist Founder Isaac Hecker's Birth**.



On the weekend of **January 26th - 27th**, the Paulist Center will take part in the **Annual Paulist Appeal** where we will ask you for your help in contributing to the longevity of the Paulist Fathers. If you would like to give in advance, visit ***paulist.org/apa***. If you have any questions, please call 202-269-2504 or contact ***development@paulist.org***.



ROLLING BOOK CLUB

On **Sunday, January 27th, at 11:15am** (after the 10am Mass), **Elizabeth Duclos-Orsello**, a Paulist Center Community member, will discuss her book on building community, ***Modern Bonds***, in the **Auditorium**.



SEASON OF CREATION CALENDAR

The awe-inspiring photographs that graced our Chapel walls during **Pope Francis' Season of Creation** are now available in a **calendar**. **Dave Perkins**, Paulist Center & Care of Creation Ministry member, took all of the photos. The **calendars will be available after Mass at Community Coffee**. Cost \$20.



Proceeds will support care of the environment work.

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. 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!

IN OTHER COMMUNITIES...

SAINT SUSANNA'S ADULT FAITH FORMATION EVENTS:

Voices from the Border and a Call for Justice - Monday, January 14th, 7-9pm.

A presentation by human rights activists Sunny Robinson and Jeanne Gallo, who have just returned from the U.S.-Mexico border in Arizona; where they met with human rights workers, the families of the disappeared, DACA and the organization 67 Suenos Youth.

Women of the Bible, with Professor Mary Joan Leith - Monday, January 21st, 7-9pm.

Professor Leith is Chair of Religious Studies at Stonehill College. Her talk will give prominence to women of the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament), who are often neglected in Christian religious education.

Both events will be held at Saint Susanna Parish Hall, 262 Needham Street, Dedham. No charge, but freewill offerings will be gratefully accepted.

MINISTERIAL STAFF



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