



Paulist Center Boston

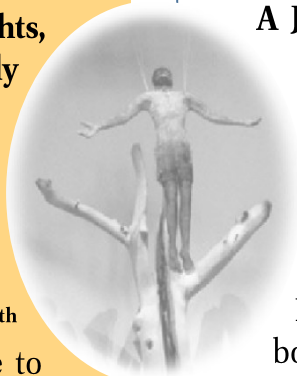
Attentive to the Holy Spirit and nourished by vibrant liturgy, we are a Catholic community that welcomes all, fosters healing and reconciliation, and acts for justice.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Our group meets on **Wednesday nights**, usually twice a month, in the **Holy Spirit Chapel**, from **6-8pm**. We share time in worship, song and praise, and discuss various Scripture passages and topics that have powerfully moved us.



For the month of **February**, we are meeting on the **13th** and the **27th**. All are welcome to join us for a joyous time of worship. If you have any questions, please contact **Nora Bolcon** at **617-573-1664**.



ISAAC HECKER SAYS...

Why should not those who profess Christianity imitate Christ in devoting themselves entirely to the spreading of the truth, the relief of the poor, and the elevation of the lower classes?

FAIR TRADE COFFEE AND CRAFT SALE

When you buy your **Valentine gifts** from the Fair Trade table this Sunday, you share the love with artisans and farmers across the globe and with our Sister Community, **Hacienda Vieja**, in El Salvador. Visit us at **Community Coffee** after the **10am and 12pm Masses** and see our new gift selections.



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.



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FEBRUARY 9 - 10, 2019

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

"CONVERSATIONS WITH MY MOLESTER: A JOURNEY OF FAITH"

During the Vatican's extraordinary worldwide summit on clergy sexual abuse, we present **Michael Mack's** "powerful" (*Washington Post*) and "magnificent" (*New York Theatre Guide*) one-man play **"Conversations with My Molester: A Journey of Faith."** Mack's boyhood dream of becoming a Catholic priest ended when his pastor first invited him to the rectory. This prize-winning show is Mack's spiritual autobiography – a true story of trespass, grace, and the odyssey of healing that led him back to the Catholic Church. **Post-show discussion follows**, with Michael and clergy. **7:30pm next Saturday, February 16th and Saturday, February 23rd.** Requested donation \$10 (but don't let finances keep you from coming!) Open to all. More at www.michaelmacklive.com.



LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Leafllets are available in the front vestibule to help children celebrate the Liturgy of the Word. We invite you to take **one per family**.



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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

Please pray for **Sophia B. Wood**,
mother of community member Bill
Wood, who passed away last week.



Please pray for **Mary Ann (Oros) Gregson**,
mother of community member Deborah
Gregson and grandmother to Gabriella &
Beata Coloyan, James & Emelia O'Gilvie,
who passed away last week.

GUEST SPEAKER ON CATHOLIC CLERGY ABUSE AND HOMOSEXUALITY

Andrew Sullivan, writer for *New York Magazine* and former Editor-in-Chief of *The New Republic*, will address **The Catholic Clergy Abuse Crisis and Homosexuality: The Problem of Scapegoating**, on **Tuesday, February 26th, at 7pm, at the Paulist Center.** Sponsored by the **Paulist Center's LGBTQ and the Adult Education Committees**, as part of the Paulist Center's ongoing response to the clergy sexual abuse crisis. We wish to consider one small, but significant, dimension of many Catholics' response: scapegoating gay priests for this crisis. Come with an open mind and heart to be informed and challenged to consider this dimension of the crisis. A **reception will follow**. Requested donation \$10 to offset expenses (but don't let finances keep you from coming!).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WINTER BREAK

There are **NO** religious education classes on **Sunday, February 17th** and **Sunday, February 24th** due to winter break.

Classes resume on **March 3rd.**



STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD (after 5% gift)
Weekend Collection	\$12,734	\$210,101
Budget Amount	\$11,378	\$248,609
Difference	\$1,356	(\$38,508)

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 **Bethany House Ministries**, a charitable organization that provides support to prisoners, ex-prisoners, and their families. For additional information, please visit www.bethanyhouseministries.org.

We thank you for your support.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	2/10	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
		Worship Committee - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	2:15pm
Tues	2/12	Prayer of Heart and Body - Auditorium	5:45pm
		Paulist Associates formation, 3 rd Fl, Library	7:00pm
Wed	2/13	Supper Club - Auditorium	6:00pm
		Charismatic Prayer - Chapel	6:00pm
Sat	2/16	3 rd Saturday Breakfast - Auditorium	9:00am
		Conversations with My Molester - Auditorium	7:30pm
Sun	2/17	RCIA - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
		Young Adult Dinner - Auditorium	7:00pm
Mon	2/18	Presidents' 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,

As some who follow this column know, attention to the **Clergy Sexual Abuse Crisis** has been a recurring topic, both in Paulist Center Community actions and this column. I return to it again here, with a “heads up” and an invitation:

The Heads Up: During the third week of February, in Rome, Pope Francis will gather bishops from around the world. Already public expectations are way too high for this meeting, thereby leading to an inevitable sense of frustration and disappointment. Indeed, even Pope Francis has warned against high expectations for this meeting.

For many bishops from diverse parts of the globe, there is a sense that the clergy sexual abuse crisis is a *peculiarly American* problem. Other bishops feel that Americans are proposing solutions for this problem without seeking input from them. And for still others, American solutions (e.g., turning in Church workers, including priests, over to the police) would not be welcome. One can well imagine that, in some Muslim or Hindu or communist countries, the last thing that Catholics would do is turn their priests – even if guilty – into hostile officials’ hands.

No, it is Pope Francis’ hope and intention to *educate* bishops from around the world to the terrible scourge of child abuse and to require Church leaders to be on the forefront of educating and fighting against such terrible, sinful acts, especially among its own leaders. And Pope Francis will be holding them to account for doing this. To get to such a point will be, for some countries, a goal far beyond where they are right now. *Please pray for the Holy Father and the success of this meeting. And pray for holiness for our Church.*

The Invitation: In 2013, Paulist Center community member Michael Mack performed his marvelous “**Conversations with My Molester.**” By chance, I was here at the Paulist Center for one of the performances. At first, the idea did not attract me, but I went anyway...and I am so glad that I did. The title may sound a bit morose. But as one who has seen it, I can assure you that the play is complex, thought-provoking, engrossing, entertaining, and, in the end,

hopeful. As many of you have noticed, I have insisted in all my speaking and writing on this topic that we *keep the plight of the victim* at the center of our concern. This one-man play does it. I invite you to join us. **When?** 7:30pm, Saturday, February 16th and 23rd. **Where?** Here at the Paulist Center. **How much?** \$10 donation requested (but don’t let finances keep you away. If you don’t have the \$10, come anyway!).

What do you think?

And let us pray for/with one another.

Michael

The Paulist Center

ADULT CONFIRMATION

This program is **designed to prepare** active, practicing adult Catholics for the Sacrament of Confirmation. It involves **four evening sessions of 90 minutes each**. The sessions will include a review of sacraments, especially Baptism and Eucharist, as well as the history and theology of Confirmation. Through prayer and discussion, we explore the roles of faith and the Church in our lives.

We will meet **Monday evenings (March 18th, 25th, April 1st, 8th)** from **7-8:30pm**, at the Paulist Center. These particular sessions are geared toward **celebrating this sacrament on Sunday, April 28th, 2019 at Our Lady of Good Voyage Shrine in the Seaport district.**

A minimum of 3 participants is required for this class to take place. Contact **Fr. Chuck** for more information or to register, chuck@paulistcenter.org.



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. - Lk 5:5-6

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ROLLING BOOK CLUB ALERT

Community member **Edward Santella's** novel dealing with current consequences of racial injustice, *American Ghosts*, will be the Rolling Book Club's spring selection—date to be determined. It is available as an Amazon paperback or e-book.

For more information contact **Ed** at



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Mary Burke at
paddysniece@verizon.net.

"COME & SEE" RETREAT

Have you thought that **God may be calling you to be a Paulist Priest?** The Paulist Fathers invite you to a **"Come & See" Retreat** - a look into our life and mission.



Dates: Friday, February 22nd - Sunday, February 24th. See **Fr. Mike** for how you might take part; or contact **Paulist Fr. Dat Tran** at **917-830-5537** or **be@paulist.org**.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual Direction is an opportunity for one to reflect and share one's life and prayer experience and be guided in one's search for God. Spiritual Direction is available at the Center from **Sister Kathleen Hagerty, CSJ**, and **Christopher O'Rourke**.



Sister Kathleen can be reached at **617-755-9729**.

Christopher can be reached at **617-817-3977**.

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