



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.

JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY FOR HOLY WEEK

We are looking for **musicians for our Holy Week Services.**

If you would like to join us just for Holy Week



you are most welcome.

Rehearsals will be on the **Tuesdays of**

March from 8-9pm following Taizé Prayer. Questions can be directed to **Peter** at peter@paulistcenter.org.

LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS

Lenten reflection books are now available in the vestibule. A \$2.00 donation is suggested.

YOUNG ADULT HAPPY HOUR

Meet other young adults from the Boston Area at our collaborative **Young Adult Happy Hour with the Saint Cecilia's Young Adults**. All young adults (21-39) are welcome to attend! **This Tuesday, February 18th 6:30-8:30pm, The Westland 10 Westland Ave, Boston**



PAULIST CENTER COMMUNITY SNAPSOTS...

During the Advent Season, through the **Jesse Tree**, more than **230 Christmas gifts** went to families and individuals through agencies like Crossroads Family Shelter, Agape Center, and Catholic Worker House in Worcester.



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 15 - 16, 2020

6TH 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

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

Masses with Distribution of Ashes

7:00am 7:55am

12:05pm 1:05pm 5:15pm

Evening Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes

7:00pm

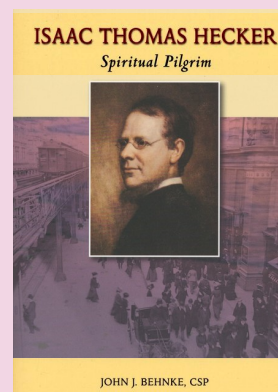


ROLLING BOOK CLUB

Come discuss the book *Isaac Thomas Hecker: Spiritual Pilgrim* on **Sunday, March 1st**, following the **10am Mass** and on **Tuesday, March 3rd at 7 pm**.

Paulist author **John Behnke** wrote this short and easy-to-read book about **Isaac Hecker**, founder of the Paulists.

Paulist Associate and community member **Paula Cuozzo** will lead the discussion (she wrote her thesis on Hecker!).



Books are available for only \$10 **after all the liturgies next weekend, February 22nd - 23rd**.

Books are also available at the **reception desk during the week**.

THERE WILL BE NO COMMUNITY COFFEE THIS SUNDAY DUE TO THE PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND.

WWW.PAULISTCENTER.ORG
FACEBOOK.COM/PAULISTCENTER
TWITTER.COM/PAULISTBOSTON
INSTAGRAM.COM/PAULISTCENTER

2020 BOSTON PRIDE PREPARATIONS

Meeting to discuss how the Paulist Center can **take part in 2020 Boston Pride (Saturday, June 13th)**.

Meeting time: Sunday, March 1st, 7pm in the 3rd Floor Library

Each year, the Paulist Center partners with other local parishes to sponsor a booth at the Boston Common (formerly on City Hall Plaza). For many Center members, it has been an enriching and moving experience to be a welcoming presence to the Boston LGBTQ+ community.

We invite all to help us staff the booth during this year's 50th anniversary celebration of Boston Pride!



NEWS FROM OUR SISTER COMMUNITY GROUP

2020 marks the 40th anniversary of the martyrdom of Oscar Romero. In that spirit, we invite you to join the **SHARE Foundation** to celebrate his life and continue his living legacy. **The SHARE delegation will travel to El Salvador from Saturday, March 21st - Friday, March 27th, to celebrate the life and legacy of Oscar Romero.**

SHARE participated in the inauguration of the Water Project in Chalatenango; laid the first stone in the University Residence of CRIPDES that will house 20 students; meets with organizations and families working on the issue of migration; and listens to the testimony of deported people and the impact on their lives.



SHARE
El Salvador
La Fundación SHARE

For more information, please contact **Jose Artiga** at **jose@share-elsalvador**, **510-848-8487**, or visit

www.SHARE-ElSalvador.org

STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD (after 5% gift)
Weekend Collection	\$13,464	\$214,676
Budget Amount	\$11,164	\$254,539
Difference	\$2,300	(\$39,863)

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 **Maryknoll Lay Missioners**, an organization that works with poor communities in Africa, Asia, and the Americas. We thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	2/16	RCIA-Break Open The Word - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	12:30pm
		RCIA-Catechesis - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
Mon	2/17	Presidents' Day - Center Closed	
Tue	2/18	Paulist Associates- 6 th Fl, Rm 22	7:00pm
Wed	2/19	Supper Club - Auditorium	6:00pm
Sat	2/22	Rolling Book Club sale - Elevator Lobby	6:00pm
Sun	2/23	Rolling Book Club sale - Elevator Lobby	11:00am
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		RCIA-Catechesis - 6 th Fl, Rm 22	1:15pm
		Rolling Book Club sale - Elevator Lobby	1:00pm
		Rolling Book Club sale - Elevator Lobby	7:00pm
		Young Adults Dinner - Auditorium	7:00pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WINTER BREAK

There will be **NO** religious education classes on **Sunday, February 16th and 23rd** due to winter break.

Classes will resume **Sunday, March 1st**.

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,

Ok, who is the patron saint of "caring for our earth, our 'common home,' as Pope Francis puts it?" St. Francis of Assisi? I nominate an American woman, a sister who deserves to be known better: **Sr. Dorothy Stang**, a Sister of Notre Dame de Namur. Let me tell you about her.

Born in 1931 in Dayton, Ohio, Dorothy was one of nine children. Early on she discerned both that she wanted to be a sister and that our Gracious God was calling her to be one. Typical of many, even a majority of sisters in the 1940s and 50s, Dorothy taught elementary school children. Then in 1966, she began her ministry in Brazil where she labored for more than four decades.

Dorothy's time in Latin America coincided with that continent's emerging self-awareness of the God of Liberation and the Church's call to stand with, and work for, the poor. For Dorothy, this took the form of fighting for the rights of rural workers. She, along with other Church and indigenous leaders, defended land reforms in Brazil. Then, as now, to stand with the poor and disenfranchised was to put oneself into harm's way. Indeed, less than a week after she met with Brazil's human rights officials about threats to local farms from loggers and landowners in the Amazon region, she was murdered on February 12, 2005.

Dorothy was a perfect example of working both for the land, the rainforest, *and* for the poor. As she said when warned to get out of Brazil:

I don't want to flee, nor do I want to abandon the battle of these farmers who live without any protection in the forest. They have the sacrosanct right to aspire to a better life on land where they can live and work with dignity while respecting the environment.

Even before her death, Dorothy received much recognition for her effective and courageous work for the peoples and the land. These including being named "Woman of the Year" by the state of Para and "Humanitarian of the Year" by the Brazilian Bar Association. After her martyrdom, her religious community set up the Sr. Dorothy Stang Center for Social Justice and Community Engagement at Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, California.

Other Dorothy Stang quotes:

The death of the forest is the end of our life.

There are things you do because they feel right and they make no sense and they make no money and it may be the real reason we are here: to love each other (and to eat each other's cooking) and to say it was good!

Peasant people...don't have a chance to share in the riches that the planet can offer because some people are taking off so much of the pleasures of this world and there's only so much to go around.

What do you think?

And let us pray for/with one another.



Michael McGarry, C.S.P.

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 8TH

Give Light: Spiritual Support for Climate Activism. A multi-faith retreat, offered by the Paulist Center **Care of Our Common Home Committee**, featuring the **Rev. Fred Small**, Climate Justice Minister at Arlington Street Church. **1-3:30pm, 3rd Floor Library**

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Five key themes emerged from our roundtable discussions, when community members shared their hopes and visions about how we might best live out our mission:

1. Liturgy and Spirituality
2. Vision and Leadership
3. Social Justice
4. Openness & Welcome
5. Authentic Integration



This week, we focus on **Social Justice**.

With great consensus around a central goal of strengthening the Paulist Center, participants noted the importance of living our faith through working for justice. In particular members emphasized committing to justice in **three contexts: Our Urban Home, Our Church, and Our World**.

1. **Our Urban Home** - We strive to act justly in our greater Boston home and to our neighbors through our ministries, such as:
 - Food Pantry
 - St. Dismas Committee
 - Wednesday Night Supper Club
2. **Our Church** - We strive to work for justice within our Church and to be faithful to the Gospel's radically inclusive message through our ministries such as:
 - Lay leadership and preaching
 - LGBTQ Catholics
 - Paulist Charism of Ecumenism
 - Voice of the Faithful
3. **Our World** - We strive to be good stewards of God's creation—both our Earth and all of God's peoples—through our ministries such as:
 - Care for Our Common Home
 - Isaac Hecker Award
 - Immigration Advocacy
 - Pax Christi
 - Project Bread/Walk for Hunger
 - Sister Community with Hacienda Vieja

To deepen our commitment to social justice, we need to engage members in this work by:

- **Sharing** about the many existing opportunities for involvement;
- **Personally inviting** fellow members to join in the effort to build a just community; and
- **Partnering** with churches and community organizations outside of ourselves to amplify our impact.

PROJECT RACHEL

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston, extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a ***Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat***. Winter/spring dates are **March 7th, April 4th and May 30th**. Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat. For more information, contact Project Rachel at help@projectrachelboston.com or **508-651-3100**.

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Please see our website for direct contact information.

