



# 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.*

## VETERANS PANEL

Come join us this **Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** in the **3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Library** for a **Veterans Panel** about **faith and the issue of suicide in the military**.



We'll be talking with a group of local veterans and a Gold Star family member who will share about their lives and experiences. The hope of this event is to promote awareness and advocacy on behalf of veterans in our midst by highlighting their particular needs, struggles, and hopes. There will be an opportunity to help by donating to the Arredondo Family Foundation.

## LECTURE WITH DAN HORAN, OFM

**Fear: The Enemy of Christian Discipleship.**

The Adult Education Committee and Young Adults Group invite you to join **Father Dan Horan, OFM**, on **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm in the Library immediately following the 6pm liturgy**. This presentation will look at how to respond to a culture that promotes fear of the 'other,' especially those who are different. Drawing on the Gospel and wisdom figures, we will examine how to embrace trust in God and discipleship amid a culture of fear and violence. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM NEEDS YOU!

The St. Dismas Committee is delighted to report that the MA Senate's comprehensive criminal justice reform bill recently passed. Now, the MA House of Representatives needs to **vote on a similar bill by November 15<sup>th</sup> to enact any real reform**. This is the first opportunity in years to take a major step forward for criminal justice reform. Please **call your representative to support this important bill by November 15<sup>th</sup>**. Find your legislators at: <https://malegislature.gov/Search/FindMyLegislator>

*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 Chilton Brettin at 617-742-4460. After returning the form, a staff member will contact you.*

**NOVEMBER 11-12, 2017**

**32<sup>ND</sup> 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

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017 HECKER AWARD RECIPIENT PAULIST CENTER COMMUNITY MEMBER JANE O'CONNOR!

**Jane O'Connor's** life is an example of how each of us can live out our call to create justice in the world within the realm of our own, sometimes seen as ordinary, lives. Jane has served as a principal for three schools over a 20-year period, still serving on the board at her last school, Mother Caroline Academy in Dorchester. She is also the Executive Director of the Maranyundo Initiative, which supports academic excellence for girls in Rwanda through its support for the Maranyundo Girls School. Jane has generously lent her educational expertise to the Paulist Center's Reaching for Higher Ground Program as a tutor for years. She has also been a chef every month over the course of 25 years for our Wednesday Night Supper Club. Jane has modeled how to create social justice within her own home and family by opening her home and her heart to her foster children for years - a social justice of the home and family. Her love of Catholic service and helping others before herself is why Jane is our 2017 recipient. **Please join us in celebrating Jane on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at our 5pm liturgy. Reception will follow in the Auditorium.**



## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There will be a **very brief meeting** for all **Eucharistic Ministers** following the masses on **Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**.



**THERE IS NO COMMUNITY COFFEE THIS WEEKEND DUE TO VETERANS DAY.**



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## HOPE IS BORN

**O**ur annual celebration of prayer, readings and music will be on **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm** and **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm**, starting with the **Children's Pageant**.

Holiday Hospitality following each concert. We hope you, your family, and friends will all join in this festive occasion. **Tickets will be available in mid-November.**

Individual: \$10 advance, \$15 door; Family: \$25 advance, \$30 door. **Sponsorships are welcome and appreciated:** \$50 Angelic, \$100 Celestial, \$150 Archangel.



### MONTHLY PRAYER NIGHT

**T**he Young Adult group invites the wider Paulist Center Community to a monthly prayer night where we will open up space to connect with

God. Please come join us on **Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Library.**

**November Focus: Prayer through Yoga.** No need to be familiar with yoga. Bring a mat if you have one. If not, we'll have extras.



### 40+ GROUP DINNER

**L**ooking to build community at the Paulist Center? All those **ages 40+** are invited to join our group for monthly dinners after mass. Our next dinner will be on **Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm at a local restaurant.** Walk over after mass or meet us there! **RSVP to Nora Bolcon at [nora.bolcon@state.ma.us](mailto:nora.bolcon@state.ma.us)**

### CALLING ALL CHILDREN FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!

**P**lease **sign up your child** for a part in our **Christmas Pageant** that takes place right before our Christmas Concert at **2:30pm on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.** We are looking for a narrator, Joseph, Mary, angels, shepherds, wisepeople and barnyard animals. No experience necessary. A fun, spiritual time for kids of all ages! To sign up, please contact **Susan Rutkowski** at **617-948-2426** or **[susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org)**.

### YOUNG ADULT MONTHLY DINNER

**A**ll Young Adults (18-39yrs) are invited to join us on **Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** for our monthly community dinner in the **Auditorium.** **Dinner Theme: Thanksgiving Feast!** Bring a favorite Thanksgiving dish to share or \$5 to contribute to the turkey!

### STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD
Weekend Collection	\$13,640	\$95,093
Budget Amount	\$11,164	\$106,058
Difference	\$2,476	(\$10,965)

**A**s always, we remind you that it is only the generosity of your resources that makes the activities of the Paulist Center possible and 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, or 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 the **Catholic Near East Welfare Association.** The CNEWA works in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe to build up the church, affirm human dignity, alleviate poverty, and inspire hope. We thank you for your continued support.

Thank You

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Mon	11/13	Prayer of Heart and Body - Auditorium	5:30pm
		Veterans Panel Discussion - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fl Library	7:00pm
Tues	11/14	Pastoral Council Meeting - 6th Fl, Rm. 22	7:00pm
		Paulist Associates - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fl Library	7:00pm
Wed	11/15	Supper Club - Auditorium	6:00pm
Thurs	11/16	Christmas Concert Rehearsal - Chapel	6:45pm
Fri	11/17	Monthly Prayer Night - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fl Library	7:00pm
Sat	11/18	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday Breakfast - Auditorium	9:00am
		Hecker Award Reception - Auditorium	6:15pm
Sun	11/19	Sr. High Youth Group - 3rd Fl Library	11:15am
		Family Advent Activity - Auditorium	11:15am
		Dan Horan Lecture - 3rd Fl Library	7:15pm

### BAKE SALE

**T**he **Jr. High Youth Group** will sponsor a bake sale on **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at our Advent Family Social** to help raise funds for our **Emergency Food Pantry.** Please join us in the **Auditorium after the 10am mass** for the Social or to get some delicious home-baked goods!

### 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,

Maybe it's always there. Maybe I notice some times more than other times. But I have been thinking a lot about **suffering** (other's, not my own – at least at this moment): what with hurricanes, floods, famines, Alzheimer's, surgeries, children's addictions, job losses, earthquakes – the usual litany of such things. Then I came across the following:

Franciscan Friar Richard Rohr contends that there is a difference between pain and suffering: while we all experience pain, *suffering* comes from our inability to control certain devastating events in our lives. "But," as writer Wesley Granberg-Michaelson translates Rohr, "it's precisely this encounter with suffering, as an utter lack of control, that can open the way for God's Spirit to break through with the power and promise of new, resurrected life. That's the story of Jesus. And that's the invitation to all who would follow him."

One of my contemporary heroes, Jean Vanier, gives another slant:

Our brokenness is the wound through which  
the full power of God  
can penetrate our being  
and transfigure us in God.

Loneliness is not something from which we must flee,  
but the place from where we can cry out to God,  
where God will find us and we can find God.

Yes, through our wounds  
the power of God can penetrate us  
and become like rivers of living water  
to irrigate the arid earth within us.  
Thus we may irrigate the arid earth of others,  
so that hope and love are reborn.

*What do you think?*

And let us pray for/with one another.

*Michael*

The Paulist Center

## FOOD PANTRY DRIVE

Every Fall we ask for **donations** for our **Emergency Food Pantry** that is **open here at the Center on Tuesdays**. Over **400 people a month** come through our pantry. We buy most of the food at the Greater Boston Food Bank as we can get it at significantly reduced prices. Please consider making a donation (**marking it Food Pantry**) so we can continue to serve those who are hungry. **Thank you!**



## YOUR BODY AND YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE: FRIENDS OR FOES?

**D**o we simply inhabit a body, or is a body an essential part of who we truly are—forever? Is your body a gift, or a task? Or both? Do exercise and rest, feasting and fasting, washing and dressing have a place in your spiritual life? And what about the role of the body in prayer? Why are the "corporal works of mercy" given such an honored status in our faith? **We will look at the role of the body in a truly holistic spirituality.** This will be the third of eight monthly sessions in the **Take Back Your Time series of talks by Fr. Tom Ryan, CSP.** **Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:15pm** in the **2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Seminar Room.** Suggested donation \$10 (\$5 students).

## RAISING THE ROOF IN EL SALVADOR!

**T**his past August, community members Sarah Neville and Roberto Jimenez visited Hacienda Vieja, the Paulist Center's sister community in El Salvador, with whom we have maintained a relationship for the past three decades. **The two main goals for this trip were to revitalize our sister community relationship and to determine how we can continue to support their basic needs.** We found out that **they desperately need a new roof on their church!** They experienced first-hand how, when it rains, it is impossible to hear anyone beyond a few seats away because of the poor acoustics, and how the metal roof magnifies the already intense heat. **Our goal is \$15,000 and we are already part way there with money previously raised.** Please consider donating to this worthy cause by sending in a **check** marking it **Sister Community Roof** or **stop by the Crafts sale on Sundays.**

## IN OTHER COMMUNITIES...

### GIVE BLOOD. HELP SAVE LIVES

**J**oin our good neighbors, **St. Anthony's Shrine Blood Drive, 100 Arch Street, on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 9am-2pm.** You know the drill. If you don't and you're in good health, show up and they will tell you how painless and life-giving your blood can be!

## MINISTERIAL STAFF



Peter M. Ghiloni	Michael McGarry, CSP
Katie Oxley	Susan Rutkowski
Patricia Simpson	Rick Walsh, CSP

## Pastoral Council Chair

Maggie Keefe

*Please see our website for direct contact information.*