



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.



AUGUST 24 - 25, 2024 - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUG 31 - SEP 1, 2024 - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES

Saturday

5pm

Sunday

10am

6pm

WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES

Monday – Friday

12:05pm

CONFESSIONS

Friday, 11:00-11:45am, and by appointment

WELCOME BACK COMMUNITY MEETING

The Pastoral Council is thrilled to invite you to the annual Paulist Center **Welcome Back Community Meeting** on **Sun, Sept 8, 11:30am - 1:30pm** in the Auditorium. Food will be served. Please RSVP by Aug 25 using this [link](#) or <https://bit.ly/3RH2X9t> – or just stop by!



All are welcome,

both old and new
to the Center!

PARENT PREP FOR INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM

The Paulist Center is offering a preparation session on **Sat, Aug 31 from 10am - 12pm**, in the 3rd Fl Library and in the Chapel. Expecting parents are invited to attend before their child is born/adopted.



To register, please contact **Fr. Rick** at rick@paulistcenter.org.

URGENT PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR BRIAN MCLAUGHLIN AND THE MCLAUGHLIN FAMILY

We received word from Meg McLaughlin earlier this week that Brian and their children had been involved in a serious boating accident last Saturday. The children are recovering at home, but, at the time of this writing, Brian is hospitalized in ICU on life support.

Meg and Brian and their family have been community members for decades. Brian is currently one of our lector team coordinators. They have co-chaired the auction together before they were married and Meg has been dessert co-chair many years. They were involved with FREP and family activities when their children were younger. They also served as Maryknoll Lay Missionaries with their children for several years in Bolivia.

Please keep Brian, Meg, Alex, Sean and Sarah in your prayers during this very hard time.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY HOSTS COMMUNITY POTLUCK - SUN, AUG 25

On **Sun, Aug 25**, our Young Adult Ministry will host the **Community-Wide monthly potluck** (open to **all** who bring a dish, of any age!) In keeping with the season, this month's theme will be **'Back to School'** so bring a dish reminiscent of your favorite school lunch (and don't be afraid to think outside the **'lunchbox'** and elevate your lunchroom staple!) **Please join us after the 6pm Mass in the 3rd Fl Library.**



If you didn't get a chance to RSVP, bring a **'lunchbox'**, or stay after to clean up!

DISCERNING BECOMING A CATHOLIC OR COMPLETING YOUR CATHOLIC SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION BEYOND BAPTISM?

If this is you, or someone you know, **Fr. Rick** will be holding **four Inquiry Sessions on Thurs evenings from 7-9pm - Sept 5, 12, 19, and 26**. These sessions are for:

- people simply interested in learning more about the Catholic faith but with no commitment to become Catholics, or
- adults who were baptized Catholic or Christian but not catechized who are considering receiving their sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation in the Catholic Church.



A JOURNEY IN FAITH

In discernment with Fr. Rick, those who are able and ready may proceed on to the catechumenate/candidate process later in the fall, leading to baptism and/or full reception into the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil on Apr 19. **If you are interested in attending or interested but cannot make these dates, please let us know by sharing your name and email [here](#).** Attendees are welcome even without letting us know ahead of time, but advance notice would be appreciated. More information on the process of becoming Catholic as an adult can be found [here](#).

We look forward to exploring our faith together with you!

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form that can be found 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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LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS

Sun, Aug 25, 10am
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
YouTube [Link](#)
Order of Worship [Link](#)



Sun, Sept 1, 10am
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
YouTube [Link](#)
Order of Worship [Link](#)

FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (FREP) - KICK-OFF SEPT 15

Here is the 2024-2025 [FREP calendar](#). Register online [here](#), and pay the fee online [here](#). Or, print out the form and mail it, with the registration fee, to: Susan Rutkowski - Paulist Center - 5 Park Street - Boston, MA 02108

All information can be found in **Overview** under the **Exploring Our Faith** tab on our website, www.paulistcenter.org. Questions: **Susan Rutkowski** at susan@paulistcenter.org.

FREP Kick-off for the new year is **Sept 15!**

SEEKING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-TEACHER FOR GRADES 2 - 3

Our Family Ministry seeks **faith-filled individuals to teach and lead our children**. K - 6th grade classes meet from 11:15am-12:15pm for 20 sessions, 5 of which are group settings in which others lead the curriculum. Essentially you are "only" teaching about **15 classes per year**.

We also have **co-teaching arrangements** in which two teachers share dates over a year. We use Loyola Press' *Finding God* curriculum which includes class plans for the hour per week class time. **Currently, we need co-teachers for grades 2-3.**



Because we welcome neophytes and seasoned teachers, we will conduct a **September workshop** in the 3rd Fl Library on **Sat, Sept 7 at 10:30am** to **prepare our volunteers**. Some of our teachers have been with us for ten years, and some teach only for a year as they make their way through school. **All are welcome!**

Questions?: **Susan Rutkowski** at susan@paulistcenter.org.

YOUTH LITURGICAL MINISTRY (YLM) PROGRAM - 2024-2025

As we approach the Fall and the start of a new academic year, we are thrilled to announce the relaunch of the **Youth Liturgical Ministry Program at the Paulist Center for 2024-2025**.

If you're interested in getting involved, please visit our Liturgical Ministries website page [here](#) and click on the Youth Liturgical Ministries 2024-2025 line in the list for much more detailed information.

This page also has **access to the interest forms, but please read the detailed information on each opportunity before filling out a form.**

Families who are interested in serving as greeters, gift bearers, and collection ministers, should indicate the weekends in the Fall and Spring when they are available to serve by filling out the **Greeters and Offertory Ministers Form**.

For all other ministries, please fill out the **YLM Interest Form**.

YLM OPPORTUNITIES

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| • Lector Ministry | • Liturgical Dance | • Greeters |
| • Assistant Sacristans | • Music | • Offertory Collection |
| | | • Audio-Visual Ministers |



SCHEDULE OF YLM MASSES

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| • Sun, Sept 15, 2024 | • Sun, Dec 8, 2024 | • Sun, Feb 2, 2025 |
| • Sun, Oct 6, 2024 | • Mon, Dec 24, 2024 (5 pm) | • Sun, Mar 9, 2025 |
| • Sun, Nov 3, 2024 | • Sun, Jan 12, 2025 | • Sun, Apr 6, 2025 |

SUMMER APPEAL LETTER 2024 - LAST CALLS!

Prior to last summer, we sent both an early and late Summer Appeal. As of last summer, we are attempting to get by with only one. This is to both save on the mailing costs and also to bother you with one fewer appeal. Last year, we received a comparable amount in the one mailing that we had previously received with two.



Thank you for helping make that so again this year. A link to the letter is [here](#).

Donations may be made online, or by check, or stock donations. Thank you for helping us end the fiscal year on a better note than we might have otherwise by your generosity.

As always, we are **very grateful** for your generosity, which is our sole source of income!

SIGHT-SING A NEW SONG TO THE LORD!

Join our Music Director, **Norm Guin**, for a series of **fun** and **engaging workshops** focusing on practical tools, techniques, and methods to build and strengthen your **music reading skills**.

Whether you're a seasoned choir member or someone looking to develop your musical abilities, these sessions are designed to support and inspire you.

Workshops will be in the Chapel, 7-9pm;



Part 1: Thurs, Sept 19



Part 2: Thurs, Sept 26

For more information and to register, please go to this link [Workshop Registration Form](#).



ADVENT-CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2024

Join our Paulist Center Music Ministry for our Annual Advent-Christmas Concert!

Rehearsals will take place in the Chapel on **Thurs evenings** from **7-9pm** beginning **Oct 3**.

Concert dates:

Sat, Dec 14, 8pm

Sun, Dec 15, 2pm



Those interested in singing, or playing an instrument, please contact **Norm Guin** at norm@paulistcenter.org for more information.



THE 2023 ISAAC HECKER AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE IS FRAN LUDWIG!

Please join us on **Sat, Sept 28** to celebrate **Fran Ludwig**, **Founder and Director of the Boston Catholic Climate Movement**, now a chapter of the Global Catholic Climate Movement. Fran will receive the **2023 Hecker award** in our chapel at our **5pm Mass on Sept 28**.



Even before Pope Francis's Letter on Care for our Common Home was published, Fran Ludwig was providing leadership in Catholic responses to environmental and social justice causes. Fran Ludwig is living out productive responses to the environmental and social justice needs of our day and leading Catholic organizations in Massachusetts to do the same.

Please join us on Saturday evening, Sept 28 at 5pm to celebrate Fran Ludwig!

A reception will follow in our auditorium.

ALERT OF "MARCH FOR JESUS" ON AUG 25

We have been alerted of a "March for Jesus" organized by Revive Boston scheduled for **2pm on Sun, Aug 25**, from City Hall to the bandstand on Boston Common, with preaching and music at the bandstand until 8pm. They are claiming this will be a gathering of "thousands of Christians."

Please plan your travel to the Center accordingly for the Sunday 6pm Mass.

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. ***We are so grateful for your financial support!***

See paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give for ways to give to the Paulist Center. 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. Giving by this method helps us with our budgeting and stewardship efforts.



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

The weekend of **Aug 24 and 25** we raise up **Casserly House** - a place of welcome and connection for immigrants and a collaborative partner on neighborhood issues in Roslindale.

The weekend of **Aug 31 and Sept 1** is the **annual Mission Coop Appeal**. This year, **Fr. Michael Oluka from the Diocese of Tororo in Uganda** will be preaching at the Masses about the needs of the church in his mission diocese. Envelopes will be in the pews if you wish to make an additional donation. **Please make checks payable to "Propagation of the Faith/Mission Coop Appeal".**

FINAL PROMISES AND ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE OF PAULIST SEMINARIANS CHRIS MALANO AND BEN CHISHOLM

On Sat, **Aug 31 at 10am**, Paulist seminarians **Chris Malano** and **Ben Chisholm** will make their **final promises as Paulists in Washington, DC**. The following weekend, they will be **ordained** to the transitional diaconate at the **Los Angeles Paulist parish** of St. Paul the Apostle in Westwood.

Chris spent part of his novitiate Lent with us in 2020 and helped set up our first-ever live streamed service on Palm Sunday evening. Ben recently lived in the Boston house for a few weeks this summer while studying Greek at Harvard Divinity School. For more information on Chris, Ben and these celebrations, including the live stream links, go to <https://paulist.org/promises/>.



CALLING ALL POTENTIAL FUTURE PAULISTS!

Vocations come in many forms. One that **all Paulist Foundations need** is **future Paulist priests**. The Paulists are holding a **retreat weekend at Hecker House**, their seminary in **Washington, DC**, the weekend of **Oct 25-27** for those who might be discerning a vocation as a Paulist priest. For more information, please contact **Paulist Vocation Director Ed Nowak** at vocations@paulist.org or see <https://www.beapaulist.org/comeandsee>.



NEWS FROM THE PAULIST FATHERS

The Paulist fathers' latest newsletter, **The Voice**, is out. Take a look! at <https://paulist.org/the-voice-summer-2024/>

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