



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.



DEC 7 - 8, 2024 - 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10am
 6pm

WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES
Monday - Friday
 12:00pm

CONFESSIONS

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

ADVENT SOCIAL THIS SUN - DEC 8!

The community is invited to join the FREP families for our annual **Advent Social** immediately following the 10am Mass. All FREP children and teachers should go directly to the auditorium with their families. There will be **festive foods, music, and crafts** as we learn about Advent and prepare for this beautiful Liturgical season.

All are welcome!



The **Teen Confirmation Class** will be meeting in the 3rd Fl Library.



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Please join us
 this **Mon, Dec 9**

for the
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Masses will be celebrated
 at:
8am and 12pm



GOD WITH US



NEXT WEEKEND! GOD WITH US: A FESTIVAL OF READINGS AND CAROLS



On **Sat, Dec 14 at 8pm** and **Sun, Dec 15 at 2pm**, our Paulist Center community gathers for the highly anticipated annual Advent-Christmas Program.

It's not too late! If you haven't already, mark your calendar, invite family and friends, make a donation online, and plan to join us for this joyous and prayerful celebration of community and faith. Both performances will be live-streamed: **Dec 14 Link**, **Dec 15 Link**.

We are not selling tickets; instead, we welcome free-will offerings. Click **here** to donate online and select the "Festival of Readings and Carols" category.

In the donation form, indicate the number of attendees and the concert date you plan to attend.



On **Sun, Dec 15 at 2pm**, the children of the Paulist Center, under the direction of **Christine Tardiff**, will open the concert with a presentation, *The Christmas Story*.

A **reception** will follow each concert. We look forward to celebrating with you!



★ ADVENT & CHRISTMAS at the PAULIST CENTER • 2024
 FESTIVAL OF READINGS AND CAROLS

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form that can be found on our [website](http://www.paulistcenter.org). 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



Sat, Dec 7, 5pm
2nd Sunday of Advent

YouTube [Link](#) Order of Worship [Link](#)



JESSE TREE!

Our beloved Jesse Tree is now up in our Mary Alcove! If you feel so moved, please take a tag and buy the gift listed, returning it to the Paulist Center by **Sat, Dec 21**. The earlier the better!



You will notice that a lot of request are for **gift cards**.

Families and individuals use gift cards for variety of things: food, medicine, T passes, toiletries, rent for storage units (if they're in a shelter), hotel rooms (if they are unhoused) and gifts for their children.



Gift cards allow parents the dignity to go into stores and personally choose items for their kids and families; a freedom they do not often enjoy.

On the weekends, gifts can be returned to the Food Pantry, or placed in the gift card receptacle in the Mary Alcove. During the weeks, gifts can be dropped off at the Front Desk.

Thank you for your continued support!

GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH THIS CHRISTMAS



The Wednesday Night Supper Club team is collecting NEW winter items to distribute to the guests at Christmas.



Please drop off **hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, and socks** by **Wed, Dec 18** to the reception office.



Thank you for your support!

WELCOME TO THE PAULIST CENTER!

The Paulist Center warmly welcomes recently registered member:



Catherine Higgins
Boston, MA

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR?

Christmas falls on a Wednesday this year and we are currently gathering names of volunteers who may be able to help us **cook, set up, serve, and cleanup a Christmas meal for our guests**.

Please send an email to supperclubfood@gmail.com if you can help.

The Weds. Night Supper Club has never missed a meal in 53 years of operation.

Please help us keep our record going by **volunteering on Christmas and/or New Year's Day!**



ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

DAILY REFLECTIONS for

Advent & Christmas

Waiting in Joyful Hope 2024-2025

*Pick up your copy in the vestibule of the Chapel.
Suggested donation per book is \$3.*

ADVENT SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION AND REFLECTION

Our God Will Come to Save Us

Wed, Dec 18 @ 7pm



Please join us for this annual lay-led service of prayer, song, and reflection.

Opportunities for individual confession will be available.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS TO HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES



Honor your loved ones, living or deceased, by making a donation towards the Christmas decorations with which we'll adorn the Chapel. The suggested donation is \$10.

Contributions can be made:

- at the Front Desk Mon - Fri from 10:30am - 4:30pm
- by going to **Donate Online**, and choose "Flower Donation" and note who it is "in honor of, or in memory of"
- by using the envelopes in the pews.

Please write legibly when notating your loved ones' names.

CALENDAR YEAR-END GIFTS TO THE CENTER WARMLY WELCOMED

As you are likely aware, your financial gifts are key to the Paulist Center's financial sustainability. While we did not bombard you with Giving Tuesday requests, please know that we warmly welcome calendar year-end gifts, which are very helpful to our budget.



If you wish to donate stock, or remember the Paulist Center in your will, please be in touch with **Patty Simpson**, patty@paulistcenter.org or 617-948-2428, for specifics on our legal name, tax ID and account information for transfers.



Thank you for ALL you give in so many ways to the Center!

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 **Paulist 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.



One Beacon Street Garage \$12/\$14

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. \$12 on weekends. \$14 on weekdays after 4PM. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the Chapel vestibule.

Boston Common Garage \$10

Purchase ticket in reception office on weekdays. On weekends, ask a staff member after Mass. Or, purchase at garage office. Nights & Weekends valid between 4PM thru 8AM.

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. See paulistcenter.org/give/ways-to-give for ways to give. 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.



This weekend, **Dec 7 - 8**, we raise up **Preble Street**, their mission is to address hunger, poverty, and homelessness in Portland, Maine.

Thank You!



HOLIDAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE - **EARLY SUBMISSION**



We'll publish a single issue that will cover the **weekends of Dec 21-22 & Dec 28-29**.

Please **email** all announcements to **your staff liaison**, and **copy** Dorothy at info@paulistcenter.org — **by noon Fri, Dec 13**.

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The bulletin for the **Solemnity of the Epiphany, Jan 4 - 5**, will also have an early submission deadline.

Please **email** all announcements to **your staff liaison**, and **copy** Dorothy at info@paulistcenter.org **by noon Fri, Dec 27**.

Pastoral Staff: Normand Gouin; Gus Kellerman; Susan Rutkowski; Patricia Simpson; Rick Walsh, CSP

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(See our [website](http://paulistcenter.org) for staff contact information.)