



# 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.



DECEMBER 21 - 22, 2024 - 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 28 - 29, 2024 - THE HOLY FAMILY

WEEKEND IN-PERSON MASSES

Saturday      Sunday

5pm            10am  
6pm            6pm

WEEKDAY IN-PERSON MASSES

Monday – Friday

12:00pm

CONFESSIONS

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

## A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND PEACEFUL NEW YEAR TO ALL!



MAY THE PEACE AND JOY OF THE HOLY FAMILY  
BE YOURS

FROM THE PAULIST CENTER STAFF  
AND THE PAULIST FATHERS

### MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent:

- \* Sat, Dec 21 - 5pm
- \* Sun, Dec 22 - 10am\* & 6pm

#### Solemnity of the Nativity:

- \* Tues, Dec 24 - 5pm\* & 8pm
- \* Wed, Dec 25 - 10am



#### Feast of the Holy Family:

- \* Sat, Dec 28 - 5pm
- \* Sun, Dec 29 - 10am\* & 6pm

#### Solemnity, Mary, Mother of God

- \* Tues, Dec 31 - 5pm\*

#### Solemnity of the Epiphany

- \* Sat, Jan 4 - 5pm
- \* Sun, Jan 5 - 10am\* & 6pm

\*Livestreamed & recorded on [youtube.com/ThePaulistCenter](https://www.youtube.com/ThePaulistCenter) (see pg 2 for links)

The order of worship for each livestreamed Mass is available at [paulistcenter.org/order-of-worship/](https://www.paulistcenter.org/order-of-worship/)

*Please note that the office is closed Thurs, Dec 26 and Wed, Jan 1.  
There is no 12:00pm Mass on those days.*

**Welcome!** If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form that can be found on our [website](https://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

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At the time of each livestream, the appropriate **Order of Worship** will be available at [paulistcenter.org/order-of-worship](http://paulistcenter.org/order-of-worship).



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Our Religious Education Program is on Winter Break for the holidays.

**THANK YOU** to all the catechists and leaders who share their faith with the children of our community. You've earned a well-deserved break!

All classes (K - Jr. High, and Teen Confirmation) will resume on **Sun, Jan 5**.

Our **First Holy Communion preparation classes** will begin on **Sun, Jan 26**. Please register online on the Paulist Center [website](http://paulistcenter.org) or contact Susan Rutkowski at [susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org) with any questions or concerns.

## JESSE TREE



**THANK YOU** for the generosity of all who donated gifts to our Jesse Tree activity this year!



## CREATION CARE MINISTRY

The next meeting of our Creation Care Ministry will be **Mon, Jan 6** at **5pm** on Zoom.

*All are welcome!*



For the Zoom link please email [paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com](mailto:paulistcentercreationcare@gmail.com).

## RACIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY GROUP

Our Racial Justice Advocacy Group (RJAG) will lead the next **intergenerational faith formation session** on **Sun, Jan 12**. Please mark your calendar and attend to learn about and discuss ways to work for racial justice in our world. **All are welcome!**

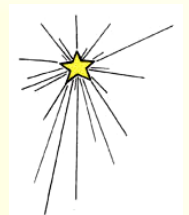
Contact **Tom Sharkey** at [sharkey.te@verizon.net](mailto:sharkey.te@verizon.net) or **978-886-1608** for more information.



## BULLETIN SCHEDULE - EARLY SUBMISSION

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

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





## SPECIAL THANK YOU'S!



*I am truly at a loss for words to express my immense gratitude for all who participated and attended this past weekend's celebration of song, dance, prayer and reflection.*

*Over 275 people attended between Saturday and Sunday. In addition, we have had over 600 views on our YouTube channel so far.*

*My sincere thanks to all our musicians, to Christine Tardiff and all our youth dancers, parents and assistants, those who helped with logistics and the receptions, and those who gave so generously in donations and sponsorships. With everyone's effort and generous support, we grossed over \$13,000 for the Center. Thank you all!*

*Wishing you and yours an abundance of grace and blessings this Christmas and in the New Year.*

*- Norm*

We can never fully express the depth of our gratitude for all the time and diverse talents **Norm Guoin** brought to the spiritually moving and artistically beautiful 2024 **God with Us Festival of Readings and Carols**. We are incredibly fortunate to have you as our community's Pastoral Minister of Liturgy and Music, Norm. You have our deepest appreciation.



### A Heartfelt Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to **Christine Tardiff and all our parents** for the tremendous work they did for *The Christmas Story*.

A special thank you to our **40+ Paulist Center children and youth** who practiced so hard and brought *The Story* to life for us, moving many to tears with the beauty and sincerity of your telling of *The Story* in movement and dance. You deepened the message of Christmas for many!

## 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.*

All donations received by Fri, Jan 3 will be listed in our Jan 12 bulletin.



**THE VOICE**  
The newest issue of the Paulist Father's Quarterly Newsletter *The Voice* is available in the racks and at this [link](http://paulist.org/Voice).

Online now and coming soon to your mailbox!  
paulist.org/Voice



We pray for our Jewish neighbors celebrating **Hanukkah Dec 25 - Jan 2**.  
May they have a warm and wonderful Festival of Lights!

### 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](http://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](http://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](http://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 **Dec 21 - 22** we raise up **United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Boston**. UNCF Boston is charged with raising funds to support UNCF's mission of getting highly motivated deserving students to and through college at UNCF-member institutions and more than 1,100 colleges and universities across the country.

### PENELOPE'S PLACE


The weekend of **Dec 28 - 29** we raise up **Penelope's Place** which operates as part of **Health Imperatives**. Penelope's Place is an emergency domestic violence shelter - offering safety, security, and comfort to survivors and their children

## 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](mailto: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!** 

## NEW YEAR'S EVE NOTICE FROM BOSTON COMMON GARAGE

We have received notification from the City of Boston stating that there is an upcoming event that **will effect the Boston Common Garage**.

Due to the First Night Parade on **Tues, Dec 31**, there will be **no entry or exit from 5:45pm - 8:00pm**. Please plan accordingly. If you have any questions please contact us at [bcg@propark.com](mailto:bcg@propark.com).

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