



# 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.



APRIL 19 - 20, 2025

EASTER SUNDAY

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



*He is risen!  
Alleluia!*

*Happy Easter to All!*

*From the Paulist Center Staff  
and the Paulist Fathers*

## LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 19**

Easter Vigil

\*8:00 pm [Link](#)



**EASTER SUNDAY, April 20**

Mass of the Resurrection

\*10:00 am [Link](#)  
12:00 pm

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).

## WELCOME, VISITORS!



Mass on Easter weekend.

Whether this is your 1<sup>st</sup> time  
or your 50<sup>th</sup> time  
worshipping with us on  
Easter, we're glad you are  
here. We'll have a blessing for  
all runners at the end of each

## FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (FREP)

There are no religious education classes on Easter  
Sunday.

All FREP classes will meet next Sunday,  
April 27.



## PRAYERS FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Please pray for our children preparing to  
celebrate the sacrament of First Holy  
Communion on **May 18** at the 10am Mass.

*All are welcome* to the celebration and  
reception to follow!



## MASS FOR MARATHON RUNNERS

Monday, April 21 @ 6 am

Join us for a **special Mass and blessing** to kick  
off this year's Boston Marathon.

*Good luck, and run safely!*



The office is closed for Patriots' Day, April 21.

There will be no 12noon Mass that day.

**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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## AN EASTER MESSAGE

FROM THE  
DIRECTOR OF THE PAULIST CENTER

This year I made my annual retreat after the first Sunday of Lent. Every year I take advantage of a friend's invitation to spend the week at his condo in Florida. I confess to using my retreat days when the weather is dreary in the Boston area.

Each year I find a book to bring. This year it was a book written by my friend and former spiritual director Franciscan Fr. Richard Rohr, *The Tears of Things - Prophetic Wisdom for an Age of Outrage*. The book demonstrates how all prophets share a pattern in their messages to the leaders and the ordinary Israelites. "Their initial rage and their accusatory words evolve into a profound pathos and lamentation about our shared human condition and the world's suffering." (from the book jacket)

It's easy to see the need for the prophetic voice in our time to help us move through our righteous anger, discouragement, and despair in order to get to a place of peace. We need the prophetic voice to help us lament the situation in which we may find ourselves in this season of Lent.

But prophets do not leave us in a state of remorse, rather, they offer God's word of hope and peace. Rohr calls the reader to move through the suffering of chaos and disorder and to remember the prophetic message of hope and consolation that helps us to enter a life filled with gratitude and awareness of our blessings. I remember hearing the saying - the preaching of the gospel ought to comfort the disturbed and disturb the comfortable.

I think that our faith community at the Paulist Center has been correctly preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ that way by our actions, more than our words. I remain committed to our Paulist Center's corporate commitment to strive to be hopeful when the days are not so bright. This is what Easter people do! We live in the world in which we've been planted, and yet we open our hearts to the Grace of God that enables us to transcend our fears and doubts.

On Easter Wednesday (April 23) we will hear a passage from Luke - the story of the journey to Emmaus where two of the disciples of Jesus are "getting out of Dodge". They are devastated by the recent events in Jerusalem including the ignominious death of Jesus, the one they believed was the Messiah. As they journey to safety, they are joined by a stranger who speaks a prophetic word of hope in their depressed state of mind.

The words he spoke to them must have boosted their spirits, for they begged this unknown traveler to stay with them for an evening meal. It was during the breaking of the bread, they came to recognize that it was Jesus who was with them on the way, offering them encouragement. This is our story. We are to put ourselves in the shoes (sandals?) of those disciples who felt a burning in their hearts BEFORE they recognized the presence of Christ with them.

We all live in the real world that can seem bleak at times. Like the two disciples on the way, we are to walk with one another and to keep our eyes and ears open to the presence of Christ, who often comes to us in disguise.

May God bless us as we continue the journey!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Rick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rev. Broderick M. Walsh, CSP  
Director



## 42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL PAULIST CENTER AUCTION!

### **Puttin' on the Ritz: A Roaring 20s Extravaganza** Saturday, May 3 - 6:15pm



**PUT ON YOUR GLAD RAGS — THE '20S ARE BACK AND THE PARTY'S ABOUT TO BEGIN!"**

**W**e are just two weeks away from our annual Auction! If you haven't already gotten your ticket you can visit [www.paulistcenter.org/auction2025](http://www.paulistcenter.org/auction2025). The evening will be better with you!

You can also sponsor the Auction. Please go to the same website. Your support is greatly appreciated!



#### **We have some amazing items; here's a sneak peek!**



- ◆ Red Sox vs. Yankees Friday, June 13. Includes access to the Royal Rooters Club and a \$100 gift card to Timeout Market
- ◆ A week in beautiful Sonoma, CA- Plan on escaping to an amazing condo for the week of October 3 - 10
- ◆ Two tickets to the Notre Dame vs. Boise State football game on October 4 plus a hotel stay from Thursday to Sunday in South Bend! Go Irish!
- ◆ Goal! Attend the 2026 FIFA World Cup on June 13, 2026. Two great tickets! Get them now because by next year they'll be gone!
- And we'll have many of our amazing dinners again!

#### **IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO JOIN US YOU CAN STILL BE PART OF THE FUN.**

**G**o to our website **beginning the week of April 28th** to see all the items in our Auction. Then email [Auction@paulistcenter.org](mailto:Auction@paulistcenter.org) with the name and number of the item you wish to bid on and your highest bid amount. We will contact you the week following the auction if you won!

*We hope to see you for a fabulous dinner, wonderful desserts, camaraderie and great bidding!*

## 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ISAAC HECKER AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

**S**ince 1974, the Paulist Center Community has presented the Isaac Hecker Award for Social Justice to an Outstanding North American Catholic. Recipients of the award have included locally and nationally recognized women and men – lay people, sisters, priests, and bishops. Isaac Hecker, the founder of the Paulist Fathers, was particularly concerned with the growth and development of American Catholicism. Hecker and the early Paulists devoted themselves to mission preaching and communication of the Word of God. The award was named to honor Isaac Hecker.

### **HECKER AWARD 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - FUTURE EVENTS**

- **Sun, June 1 @ 11:15am:** Short film on Isaac Hecker and American Catholicism. Meet & Greet with Paulist Fathers John Duffy, CSP and Patrick Johnson, CSP who moved into our Park Street location this past fall.
- **Sat, June 7 @ 10am:** How Hecker was influenced by Transcendentalism. Paulist Center Members gather at Walden Pond for a film, lecture about transcendentalism, and walk to Thoreau's cabin. Bring a picnic lunch!
- **Fall date & event TBA**



## FLOWER DONATIONS FOR THE EASTER SEASON

Honor your loved ones, living or deceased, by making a donation towards Easter flowers with which we'll adorn the Chapel throughout the Easter Season. The suggested donation is \$10. Thank you!

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"; or
- by using the envelopes in the pews.

*Please write legibly when notating your loved ones' names.*



## 57<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WALK FOR HUNGER -SUN, MAY 4



Please join the **Wednesday Night Supper Club** at the **57<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Hunger!** The Walk started here at the Paulist Center in 1969. It is now a collaboration with Project Bread: 60% of what we raise comes back to sustain our operations each Wednesday and 40% goes towards advocacy.

How can you help?

Make a donation: <https://give.projectbread.org/give/t643790/#!/donation/checkout>

To join the Team: <https://give.projectbread.org/team/643790>

**We appreciate your support!** Questions: Contact [supperclubfood@gmail.com](mailto:supperclubfood@gmail.com)

## 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.

This weekend, **April 19 - 20**, we raise up **Holy Land Shrines** to support the sacred places and the educational, charitable, and peace-seeking ministries of the Church in the Holy Land.

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