



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.



MAY 10 - 11, 2025
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

OUR 42ND ANNUAL PAULIST CENTER AUCTION WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Hats off!

How could it not be! This community and friends came together and sponsored, donated, baked, cooked, chopped, decorated, fashioned, attended, invited, bid and bid and bid!



Thank you so much for helping to raise funds for the Paulist Center and to do so in style and with laughter. We grossed over \$70,000 and after final expenses are calculated, we are hoping for a net profit of just over \$60,000. We are so grateful for everyone who supported the event in some way, whether through time, talent, or treasure. We are especially grateful to our amazing auction co-chairs, **Maggie Keefe and Mairead Nolan**, whose energy and organization made everything else run smoothly! **Thank you, thank you!**



This event could not happen without the boundless energy of our community - **thank you so much** for giving of yourselves!

THE 2025 WALK FOR HUNGER

Thank You to everyone on our **Wednesday Night Supper Club Team** who worked so diligently to get us to our goal of **\$50,000** -- our captain, **Sarah Branciforti**, and the entire Supper Club Leadership Team who planned, publicized, and encouraged us all to participate.



We are **beyond grateful** to all our community members who walked and generously donated to this event. Because of you, our ministry of serving a sit-down, hot, nutritious meal to anyone hungry continues.

We would welcome any last minute donations as we don't know what the year will bring; you can donate here: <https://give.projectbread.org/team/643790>.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Will take place **next Sun, May 18**, at our 10am Mass. A **reception** and our **end of year FREP party** will take place after Mass in the auditorium.



TEEN CONFIRMATION

Last class is May 18 and **rehearsal is on June 1st** after the 10am Mass in the Chapel. **Bishop Reed** will join us on **Sat, June 14** at our **5 pm liturgy** to celebrate the sacrament of confirmation.

SEWING TALENT NEEDED!

The liturgical dance ministry is in the midst of renewing its closet! Many of our garments are old and in need of replacement. Do you have a sewing machine and know how to use it?



We need your help! Please contact **Christine Tardiff** at cetardiff@gmail.com for more information.

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 LINK



Sunday, May 11, 10am
4th Sunday of Easter



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

WALDEN POND COMMUNITY DAY 10 AM ON SAT, JUNE 7

As part of the 50th anniversary of the Isaac Hecker Award for Social Justice, the Paulist Center community is invited to an **educational Family Day at Walden Pond** to swim, learn, picnic and hike.

Come learn about transcendentalism and ponder how it affected the founder of the Paulist Father's Spirituality.



The interpretive rangers out at Walden Pond will host a short documentary on transcendentalism and lead a walk to Henry David Thoreau's cabin site that sits on the edge of Walden Pond. You are welcome to spend an hour or the whole day exploring this beautiful spot in the greater Boston area.

The parking lot's capacity is 235, so arriving by **10 - 11am** will ensure a spot in the lot, otherwise you will need to park further away and walk over.

It's helpful to have an approximate number of attendees, so **please rsvp** to susan@paulistcenter.org.

Try and carpool with people to keep car numbers and fossil fuels down!



MEET & GREET - SUN, JUNE 1

Also as part of the 50th anniversary of the Isaac Hecker Award for Social Justice, you are invited to come meet the two newest Paulist Fathers who moved into the Park Street residence last September:



Fr. John Duffy, CSP and Fr. Patrick Johnson, CSP!



Hear what attracted them to become a Paulist Priest.

Coffee and donuts will be provided!

Please join us in the auditorium on Sun, June 1 at 11:15am.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

Like the HVAC controls in many old buildings in downtown Boston, the controls at 5 Park Street are difficult to switch between heat and air conditioning.



As the air conditioning has been turned on already, for the next several weeks, **plan to dress in layers** when you're in the Paulist Center as the internal temperatures will vary from day to day, and from floor to floor, dependent on God's decisions regarding the outside temperature!

AN INVITATION FROM FR. RICK WALSH, CSP - SAT, MAY 31 @ 11AM

Join Paulist Fathers living in-residence **Michael McGarry, John Duffy** and **Tom Ryan** on Saturday, May 31 at 11am to celebrate the **50th anniversary of their ordination!**

A reception will follow immediately after the liturgy.

All members of the Paulist Center are invited to join the Paulists for this celebration.

To help us prepare the reception, **please RSVP to Mr. Sal Whooley** at the main number **(617) 742 - 4460** or by email - **Sal@paulistcenter.org**. (no gifts please)



THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee, a permanent committee of the Paulist Center Community, is looking to fill **2 open positions**.

Current members are:

Claire Byrne (Chair)
Chuck Ferrara
Barbara Lapinskas
Susan Santos
Lisa Savini

Christine Tardiff
Marianne Saccardi
Norm Gouin
Fr. Rick



We are grateful to Chris O'Rourke and Rachel Rumely, who have finished their current service on the Committee.

The overall **purpose** of the Worship Committee is to advise and assist the Pastoral Minister of Liturgy and Music in preparing and providing for the spiritual development of the Paulist Center through liturgical celebrations and significant prayer experiences. Members serve three-year terms.

The Pastoral Council **invites self-nominations** from individuals who are invested in the liturgical life of the Center, and who wish to make a contribution towards ensuring our worship is prayerful and engaging for all. Potential members should be actively involved in a liturgical ministry.

Members attend monthly meetings over Zoom with the occasional in-person gathering and may be asked to work on small projects.

If interested in serving, please send a **brief statement of interest and related experience** to **worship@paulistcenter.org** by **Wed, May 14**. *Thank you for your consideration.*

TIMES OF TROUBLE: POINTS OF HOPE

As Catholics, we are committed to social justice and active in ministries for racial justice, LGBTQ+ support, environment, hunger, and immigration, among other things. This year, we have collectively witnessed or experienced a direct assault on justice and mercy.

Let's come together to pray, share our experiences, (our goals and plans) our hopes and fears, and plans of different PC ministries. Let's come together to build each other up and to see how each of us, as we sometimes toil alone, are part of something larger working together to make real the kingdom of God. We will gather on **Sat, May 31 in the 3rd floor library from 9am - 12 noon.**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - WE CELEBRATE PATTY SIMPSON

We have confirmed **Saturday, September 13 at the 5pm Mass** will be the time we celebrate **Patty Simpson** and her 32+ years of dedicated and loving ministry to our Paulist Center Community and offer her our blessing and thanks.

Paulist Vice President, and former Paulist Center Director during 8 1/2 of Patty's years on staff, **John Ardis**, will preside.

We hope you will join us to celebrate!



THE LETTER - MAY 29, 7 PM VIA ZOOM

The Boston Chapter of the *Laudato Si'* Movement will host a showing of **The Letter** via Zoom.

The Letter is an award winning film about five people who received an invitation to the Vatican from Pope Francis.

From an Indian youth to American scientists, to an African community activist, all bring concern about the impacts of climate change and seek hope for the future.

Details: <https://theletterfilm.org>

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/BCCM-The-Letter>



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, **May 10 and 11** we raise up **St. Francis House, Boston**, the largest day shelter in Massachusetts, offering guests comprehensive refuge, recovery, employment and housing services.

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

Administrative Staff: Barbara Dunay; Deb Heimel; Dorothy Messinger;
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(See our [website](http://paulistcenter.org) for staff contact information.)