



# 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.*



**JULY 19 - 20, 2025 - 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JULY 26 - 27, 2025 - 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**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**

## PASTORAL COUNCIL 2025

**C**ongratulations to the new members on being elected to the **Pastoral Council** for terms starting in September 2025!



**John Domino**  
**Margaret MacNeil**  
**Christopher O'Rourke**  
**Peter Sliker**  
**Mike Voloninno**



## ATTENTION TEENS OF THE PAULIST CENTER!

**W**e are excited to announce that in the upcoming FREP\* year, our Jr. High and Sr. High Teens (grades 7-12) will be part of **Mosaic Interfaith Youth Action** to learn about and experience social justice with other teens in the greater Boston area! The specific program is called **Circles of Action** and brings together teens of all faiths to take a deeper dive into the systemic issues in our world while participating in direct service projects. This program aligns with the Center's emphasis on learning more about, and living, our Catholic social teaching. This dynamic program will take place in different locations in the Boston area on a **monthly basis on Sundays from 2 - 5pm.**

The program also includes **Service Learning Days** that your whole family can participate in. The **first event** is an **Environmental Service Learning Day, 2 - 5pm on Sun, Aug 17 at Blue Hills Reservation** (exact location details will follow upon registration). This is a fantastic opportunity to get outside, connect with friends old and new, and give back to our planet. Together, we'll:

- Learn about the environmental issues impacting our local ecosystems
- Reflect on how our faith traditions call us to be stewards of the Earth
- Roll up our sleeves to help remove invasive species and support the health of the Blue Hills
- Have some fun in the sun while earning community service hours

This event is **open to youth, their friends, parents, guardians, and youth group leaders.** Spots are limited, so please **RSVP by Tues, Aug 12** by filling out this form:

**<https://forms.gle/cVh9cd79uN528ukJ8>**

If you have questions, contact Susan at **[Susan@Paulistcenter.org](mailto:Susan@Paulistcenter.org)**. We hope our teens and families of teens are excited to work with Mosaic!

More information about the upcoming year to follow.

\* Family Religious Education Program



**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

**Sunday, July 20, 10am**  
16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
YouTube [Link](#)



**Sunday, July 27, 10am**  
17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
YouTube [Link](#)

## WELCOME TO THE PAULIST CENTER!

The Paulist Center warmly welcomes recently registered members:

**Eleanor Finn**  
Boston, MA



**Derek McInnis**  
Hingham, MA

## FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (FREP)

The **registration** form for our 2025-2026 year is posted on our [website](#)!

Please register your child(ren) for formal religious education classes and/or our sacramental preparation programs.

Any questions, please contact **Susan Rutkowski**, Pastoral Minister of Family Religious Education, at [susan@paulistcenter.org](mailto:susan@paulistcenter.org).



## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE ISAAC HECKER AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

Since 1974, the Paulist Center Community has presented the Isaac Hecker Award for Social Justice to an Outstanding North American Catholic. Recipients 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.

Please stay tuned for a **fall date** to celebrate the recipients of the past 50 years!



## 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**.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY - SUMMER EVENTS

Welcome to Young Adult Ministry! We are a community of young adults (21-39 years old) focused on living out our faith through community, service, and spirituality. Even if you don't consider yourself Catholic, we'd love to welcome you into our community! If you're interested in learning more, please reach out to our **Young Adult Minister, Gus Kellerman**, by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/PCI-on-1> or by emailing him at [youngadults@paulistcenter.org](mailto:youngadults@paulistcenter.org).



### **July 20<sup>th</sup> Social Event:**

Join us **after the 6pm Mass on Sun, July 20** for dinner at **The Dubliner Irish Pub** near Government Center! We'll gather after Mass in the vestibule and then walk over together at 7:30pm. If you're running late or coming from farther away, you're also welcome to meet us there at 7:30pm. Everyone will be expected to pay for their own meal. We hope to see you there!

### **August 15<sup>th</sup> Social at the Sox Game:**

Dig out your mitt from the box at the back of your closet and join us for an evening of baseball on **Fri, Aug 15 at 6:15pm!**

We'll meet in front of the Paulist Center and head to Fenway Park together to watch the **Red Sox battle the Miami Marlins**.

**RSVP by Mon, Aug 11** using the link: <https://tinyurl.com/YAMAUG2025>,



or by scanning the aside QR Code to let us know you're coming.



**First pitch is at 7:10pm. We'll handle the tickets;** those in attendance must pay for their own concessions and/or souvenirs (save for any foul balls you might catch!).

We can't wait for you to join us!

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM RJAG AT THE PAULIST CENTER

### SPOTLIGHT ON HAITI

The Racial Justice Advocacy Group (RJAG) calls attention to the current plight of Haitians. According to the 2025 World Population Review, Massachusetts has the **second highest Haitian population in the United States with about 77,000 Haitians in the Boston area.**

They may be your friends, neighbors, classmates, teachers, nurses, nursing assistants, personal, nursing home, or rehabilitation caregivers, hospital workers, transportation workers, food service workers, and more!

**Their futures in Massachusetts are now in danger** and they are at risk in coming months of facing deportation from the U.S. For further information, please see the more detailed article:

<https://www.paulistcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Spotlight-on-Haiti-2025.pdf>

If you are concerned about continuing the TPS (Temporary Protected Status) designation and authorizations to work for Haitians, please reach out to your Senators and Congressional representative in Washington. Calls (letters and e-mails) expressing your views count for a lot!

For more info on the Racial Justice Advocacy Group (RJAG) at the Paulist Center, email **Tom Sharkey** at [sharkey.te@verizon.net](mailto:sharkey.te@verizon.net).



## SUMMER BULLETIN DEADLINES

**P**lan ahead! We are returning to a once-every-two-weeks bulletin for the summer.



**Aug 3/10: text due 7/29, 12pm**

**Aug 17/24: text due 8/12, 12pm**

**Aug 31 text due 8/22, 12pm (*early due to Labor Day*)**

## STEWARDSHIP

**T**he 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

**T**he Paulist Center gives 5% of our annual offertory to 52 charitable organizations with missions consonant with our own. These organizations receive an equal amount from our annual offertory.

The weekend of **July 19 - 20**, we raise up **Catholic Charities USA as they strive to provide relief efforts in Texas due to catastrophic floods**. Envelopes will be in the pews if you wish to make an additional donation; please **make checks payable to "Catholic Charities USA"** and note **Texas Flood Relief** in the check memo.

The weekend of **July 26 - 27**, we raise up **EVkids**. Through Tutoring Programs, Summer Camp, and a College Success Project, they empower underserved Boston youth with the skills and confidence needed to realize their potential.

## Around the Community

**Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) New England** ([www.ivcusa.org/newengland](http://www.ivcusa.org/newengland)) is now interviewing applicants for fall openings. IVC Service Corps Members combine direct service opportunities at local non-profits serving those in need with monthly spiritual reflection in the Jesuit tradition. Volunteers, 50 years of age and better, serve one or two full days/week, Sept through June. Contact Director Dave Hinchin @ [dhinchin@ivcusa.org](mailto:dhinchin@ivcusa.org) for more info/application.

**St Anthony Shrine in Boston** is currently accepting applications for their 2-year **Franciscan Spiritual Direction Training Program**; a program inspired by a passion for the ministry of spiritual direction. Participants are guided by an experienced team who will welcome them as colleagues to create an atmosphere of mutual ministry and learning. Emphasis is placed upon the role of the spiritual director as companion rather than leader in helping others to recognize and follow the movements of grace in their lives.

Candidates must have a practice of daily prayer and at least three to five years experience of being in spiritual direction. More info at <https://stanthonyshrine.org/ministries/spiritual-direction-training-program/> or contact Jennie Isbell Shinn, M.Div., Director of the Spiritual Direction Training Program at [jshinn@stanthonyshrine.org](mailto:jshinn@stanthonyshrine.org).

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