



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 4 - 5, 2026
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



Happy Easter to All!

*From the Paulist Center Staff
and the Paulist Fathers*

LIVE-STREAMED MASS LINKS

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4

Easter Vigil

*8:00 pm [Link](#)



EASTER SUNDAY, April 5

Mass of the Resurrection

*10:00 am [Link](#)

12:00 pm

**Livestreamed - Join us online at www.youtube.com/thepaulistcenter*

At the time of each livestream, the appropriate Order of Worship will be available at paulistcenter.org/order-of-worship.

WELCOME, VISITORS!



Whether this is your 1st time or your 50th time worshipping with us on Easter, we're glad you are here!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -

There are no religious education classes this Sunday due to the Easter holiday.

Happy Easter to all our families!

The first communion seder will be held in the auditorium on Sunday, April 12 at 11:15 am.

Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 6. There will be no 12:00pm Mass on April 6.

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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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.



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.*

Donations must be made/checks received by Tuesday, April 7 and a listing of the flower donations will be included in the bulletin for the April 18 weekend. **Thank You!**

WORSHIP MATTERS

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LITURGICAL YEAR: The Three Days

WORSHIP



MATTERS

We began our observance of Holy Week last weekend with the celebration of Palm Sunday. In this liturgy, we recalled Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and then heard the solemn telling of his passion and death in the Gospel of Matthew. As we departed this liturgy, we turned our gaze toward the Paschal Triduum—the Church's most sacred time. Just as Sunday gives meaning to the week, so these three days stand at the heart of the entire liturgical year. "Triduum" means "three days." In the biblical sense of time, these days begin at sunset on Holy Thursday and unfold as one continuous celebration, culminating on Easter Sunday.

The Triduum begins on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. In John's Gospel, instead of the institution of the Eucharist, we encounter the striking image of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples and commanding them to do the same. At the Paulist Center, we honor this command by inviting all who are willing to come forward and wash one another's feet. Like Peter, we may feel some hesitation—but in this humble act, we encounter the heart of Christ's love.

The liturgy concludes with a solemn procession of the Eucharist to a place of repose in our auditorium, where we are invited to remain in quiet vigil, keeping watch with Jesus in the garden.

On Good Friday, we gather in silence and prayer to hear the Passion according to John. We venerate the cross—an ancient and powerful gesture of devotion—and share in Communion. Then the church is stripped bare. The stillness deepens. We enter the long watch of waiting.

Our journey reaches its summit in the Great Easter Vigil—a rich and layered celebration of light, word, baptismal renewal, and Eucharist. Beginning in darkness, we kindle the new fire and listen again to the story of salvation. At last, we gather at the table, where the Triduum began, to share in the feast of the risen Christ—alive among us.

In these sacred days, we do more than remember. We participate in Christ's Passover—his passage through death into life, now made present in us. Through symbol, story, and song, we enter this mystery anew.

May these days awaken in us a deeper sense of wonder and hope, that we, too, "might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4).



43rd Annual Paulist Center Auction

Set Sail Together: A Mediterranean Journey

Saturday, May 2 - 6:15pm



Step aboard and set sail on an unforgettable evening inspired by the beauty and romance of the Mediterranean! We hope you'll join us for the Paulist Center's largest annual fundraiser in support of our ministries and operations. You can help make our Auction a winds-at-our-back triumph!

If you can assist by: **donating an item, sponsoring, or volunteering your time**, please see below:



DONATE AN ITEM: We are looking for items for our silent and live auctions. Dinners, sporting or cultural events, vacation homes, themed baskets, and more, are all welcome. Go to: tinyurl.com/donatepaulistauction26.



SPONSOR THE AUCTION: Go to paulistcenter.org, click on [Giving/Donate Online](#), and select **Auction Sponsorship** and notate your sponsorship \$ amount, and how you would like to be listed. Sponsors will be recognized in the program as follows:

- ◆ *Captain's Circle* (\$300 or more) ◆ *First Mate* (\$200 to \$299) ◆ *Seafarer* (\$100 to \$199)



BUY YOUR AUCTION EVENT TICKET(S): One of the most important ways that you can be involved is by joining us for this special evening. **You can buy tickets in the following ways:**

- ◆ In person after all Masses the weekends of April 11/12, April 18/19, and April 25/26.
- ◆ Online by completing the form at: <https://tinyurl.com/Auction26Tickets>. At the bottom of the form, click the link: [I want to pay for my ticket\(s\) now. Take me to Electronic Giving!](#) Select Auction Event Ticket and note the number you wish to buy @ \$50/ea. Or note that you will send a check.



Many of us may be feeling discouraged by events both close to home and in the larger world. As a faith community, we can dispel darkness by deepening our bonds to one another and by celebrating life with one another. We hope to see you!



Please contact Auction Co-chairs Maggie Keefe or Jordan Johnson with any questions or ideas at Auction@PaulistCenter.org.

Thank you!

PRAYER AND ACTION IN TROUBLED TIMES: LESSONS FROM CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS

Please join us on **Sun, April 12 at 7pm** - the topic will be *Centesimus Annus: On the Hundreth Anniversary of Rerum Novarum* (John Paul II, 1991) - focus on finding a middle way between communism and capitalism, while affirming the importance of the common good.



Raúl E. Zegarra, a community member and Asst. Prof. of Roman Catholic Theological Studies at Harvard Divinity School, will lead the session.

We will meet in the 3rd Fl Library - pizza will be served.

WALK FOR HUNGER - SUNDAY, MAY 3

Please join the Wednesday Night Supper Club at the 58th annual Walk for Hunger - it started at the Paulist Center in 1969, and is now a collaboration with Project Bread. 60% of what we raise is a major funding source for **Supper Club** and 40% goes towards advocacy. How can you help?



Join us on May 3 for the Walk, create a fundraising page, or make a donation here: <https://give.projectbread.org/team/809754>.

We appreciate your support!
Questions: supperclubfood@gmail.com

STAFF UPDATE

After six months of assisting the Paulist Center and its mission, Liz Framski has decided to step down from her role as the full-time Operations & Administrative Coordinator. Her role here has been temporary as she supported the Center through the Pastoral Planning process. Her last full-time day will be **Saturday, April 4**. Liz will now be working full-time at another nonprofit in Boston as she continues with her goals of giving back and helping others. She will still work occasional weekends and help with some administrative tasks and events at the Paulist Center as needed.

I want to thank everyone and express gratitude for being welcomed into this community-- I deeply appreciate the kindness and openness I have experienced here. You all have made the transition to Boston much easier, and I feel as though I have found a place I resonate with. I wish everyone well, and thank you again for everything!

~ Liz

**Farewell,
Best Wishes
& Thank You!**



INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS



This is for parents and godparents. We offer this class for those participating in an infant Baptism elsewhere as well as for members of the Center community who wish to have their child baptized here.

Upon completion, you will receive a needed "**Certificate of Attendance**" to send to the parish.

Next Session will be on **Saturday, April 11 from 10am to Noon at the Center.**

Please write to **Fr. Rick Walsh** at rick@paulistcenter.org to register for the class.

We ask for a **\$25 donation** to the Paulist Center for this class.

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.



Use **Apple Pay** or **Google Pay** by visiting donorbox.org/paulistcenter, scanning the **QR code** on the red cards in the pews or 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 charitable organizations with missions consonant with our own. These organizations receive an equal amount from our annual offertory.

The weekend of **April 4 - 5** 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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