



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.*

FEBRUARY 4/5, 2012
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday
5:00 PM

Sunday
10:00 AM*
12:00 PM
6:00 PM

* childcare available

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday
7:55 AM
12:05 PM

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

1st Friday of Month
6:00 PM

ANNUAL PAULIST APPEAL

You may have gotten a mailing this week asking for your support of the Paulist Fathers. If not, no need to worry. Next weekend there will be envelopes in the pews when Fr. Rich Colgan, who was on the staff at the Paulist Center in the late 1990s and is now the Director of Novices for the Paulists, will be here to preach about the Paulists. For those of you who are not familiar with the Paulists history, we were the first order of Catholic priests created in North America. That's significant, because before we came along, America's religious communities had their roots in Europe, but the Paulist community is "home-grown" – and from the very beginning, we have combined America's optimism and devotion to individual freedom with the enduring truths and teachings of the Catholic Church.

Our founder, Fr. Isaac Hecker, is a perfect example of this combination. Hecker was an intellectual, a friend of Emerson and Thoreau...and a Methodist. (see elsewhere in this bulletin the announcement about the Boston premiere of a film about Hecker's conversion.) Like so many of his contemporaries, he wasn't satisfied with the traditional thinking about spiritual matters. He wanted something more, something deeper.

After a long search that took him through an intensive course of personal discovery, Fr. Hecker discovered the Church, and made the decision to become a Catholic. Some of his oldest friends were shocked, but he was absolutely convinced that his spiritual home was in the Catholic Church. But he didn't stop there. His vision was to combine Catholic teachings with American culture...to blend the two in such a way as to make both stronger and more just.

In the 150 years since our founding, we Paulists have remained a small community by choice. This has allowed us to adapt to circumstances, to embrace change, and to meet the needs of the Church in the modern age.



LIGHTS...CAMERA...AUCTION, SAT., APRIL 28

We are pleased to announce the theme for this year's Paulist Center Auction - our 32nd Annual Goods and Services Auction - **Lights...Camera...AUCTION!!!** A fun night with the big screen guiding the themes. Save the date and stay-tuned for more information on making donations and ways we can use your help. Any questions, feel free to contact our fabulous co-chairs, Hillary Doolittle and Minky Hyun at paulistcenterauction@gmail.com or Patty Simpson on the staff at 617-948-2428 or pattypcc@aol.com. This is the Paulist Center's main fundraiser of the year and we

hope every community member will support it by volunteering, donating, attending and spending - all for the good of the Center and its ministries!

SOCIAL JUSTICE MODULE - LIVING SOLIDARITY: GOVERNMENT, THE FEDERAL BUDGET AND THE COMMON GOOD

"What kind of society do we wish to become?" It is vital that all of us engage this question by bringing our values - not our opinions - to the many conversations about the economy and the federal budget. The budget is a moral document! The Gospel and Catholic social teaching remind us that we are responsible for both ourselves and the common good. One of the ways in which we do this is through government, taxes and the federal budget. To the extent there are things we don't like about any one of the three, we together are responsible for fixing them. Being informed about and engaged with these issues is part of our responsibility as citizens and as people of faith. Please come for thoughtful dialogue, not debate, about both the role of government and how to pay for it. Co-hosted by St. Anthony Shrine. Eight Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:30 pm, **Feb. 14 & 28** (PC), **Mar 13 & 27** (SAS), **Apr 10 & 24** (PC), **May 8 & 22** (SAS). Cost: \$25 for books plus \$5 per session. To register: **Susan Rutkowski**, susanrutkow@aol.com or **617-948-2426**.

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, you may fill out a membership inquiry form, found in the welcome brochure at the entranceway to the chapel or through our website. You may also call Bob Bowers at 617-948-2422. After completing the form, a staff member will contact you.



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PRAYER REQUESTS for the soul of **Murray Crowell Wilson**, father of community member John Breschard Wilson, who died Jan. 28 at age 95;
for the soul **John Sullivan**, father of community member Erin Sullivan, who died Jan. 31;
for community member Lorraine Tegan who died this week, and for her husband John, her daughter Karen Tegan Padir and the entire Tegan family during this time of loss.

ROMAN MISSAL III: COMMUNITY REFLECTIONS, THIS SUN.

Now that some time has passed since the New Translation was implemented, community members and friends are invited to reflect on the experience of Roman Missal III. Please come to the coffee time in the auditorium after the 10am Mass; at about **11:20am**, Bob Bowers will facilitate a discussion on what we have experienced as we continue with the translation into Ordinary Time and Lent/Easter. Members of the Task Force will be on hand.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (AGES 18-39)

All young adults are invited to join us on **Sun., Feb. 12**, directly following the 6:00pm liturgy for our next monthly young adult potluck. Our cuisine theme will be soul food, so please bring your favorite dish to share!

SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION SERIES: MENTAL HEALTH

Young Adult Ministry invites community members of all ages to participate in the next installment of our year-long Social Justice Education Series on **Sun., Feb. 19**, following the 6pm liturgy. We'll gather in the second floor seminar room for pizza and a discussion about faith and mental health advocacy in the Boston area, led by one of our Paulist Center young adults. Donations for pizza are welcome. Contact Jessica at jessica.coblentz@gmail.com, for more info,

ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITY!

Please join the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless at the State House for the "Leap into Action to End Homelessness" Legislative Action Day on **Wed., Feb. 29**. The event will begin at 9:00am in the Great Hall, and will feature speakers on housing and homelessness issues, as well as meetings with State Representatives and Senators. Your advocacy and voice are critical to ending homelessness here in Massachusetts! To register, go to www.mahomeless.org. For additional information, please call **781-595-7570 x24 (Kat)** or **x17 (Kelly)** or email legislativeaction@mahomeless.org.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

Please consider donating Ramen Noodles, jelly, tuna, stews, condiments (especially mayo), tea & coffee, cereal and rice. Drop off these items in the baskets located in the Mary Alcove in the chapel. Thank you.

Thank you!

To Raoul Vincent and Joanne & Dave Condon for hosting the Hecker reception this past Sat. evening. Their generosity and hard work made for a festive evening!

TAIZE PRAYER

The ecumenical monastic community at TAIZE in southern France is a favorite place of pilgrimage for thousands each year. Pilgrims travel to this little village to pray and to make retreat with the monks. The prayer of the Taize community makes extensive use of chanted music and profound silence. Another feature is the prayer around the cross in which worshippers entrust their prayers to Christ through a gesture such as placing their forehead on the wood of the cross. In recent years, the music of TAIZE has become popular throughout the world. The language used in many chants is Latin, but it is also complemented by a variety of vernacular languages representing the countries from which the many pilgrims come to TAIZE. Keep watch for this beautiful prayer right here in our faith community on Wednesdays in Lent at 7pm.

GOOD FRIDAY MULTI-MEDIA PRAYER SERVICE

This Good Friday evening we would like to offer a **con-temporary Stations of the Cross Service**. This is an opportunity for creative types to help plan a multi-media prayer service using images, video, music and spoken word to bring to life a new way of praying the Stations of the Cross. If interested in participating in either of these events please contact **Frank Desiderio at 617-948-2454 or frank@ForgivenessRetreats.org**. These prayer services are a way to implement *Goal II of our Pastoral Plan, to develop liturgies that are inviting and relevant to people's lives*.

1ST COMMUNION RITE OF ENROLLMENT

Join us at the Sunday 10am mass as we enroll this year's class of First Communicants. Please pray for them as they journey toward the celebration of the sacrament in May.

NO CENTERING PRAYER GROUP THIS SUNDAY—DATE CHANGE

Due to the Super Bowl, prayer group has moved from this Sun. (1st Sun.) to the following Sun., Feb. 12 (2nd Sun.). The next will be, Feb. 19 (3rd Sun.).

FAIR TRADE CHOCOLATE FOR YOUR VALENTINES

Come visit our table after the 10am and 12pm Masses this weekend to check out the fair trade crafts from all over the globe. Artisans and farmers benefit from your purchases and our profit goes toward our projects in El Salvador.

BOSTON PREMIER OF DOCUMENTARY ON HECKER

On **Friday, March 2 at 7pm**, Tom Gibbons, CSP will present his documentary, *Isaac Hecker...The Journey of an American Seeker*, at the Paulist Center. This half-hour documentary about the founder of the Paulist Fathers traces his early beginnings in New York and follows him to Massachusetts where he encounters some of the brightest literary minds of the 19th Century. Along the way, Isaac discerns that the meaning of his life lay in one of the unlikeliest of places in Antebellum America... the Catholic Church. Question and answer session and refreshments follow. Donations accepted.

PARKING AT THE PAULIST CENTER

One Beacon Street Garage \$8.00

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. All weekend and after 4 PM on weekdays. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the chapel vestibule during Masses or reception during weekday evenings.

Boston Common Garage \$5.50

Purchase single tickets in the reception office weekday evenings or purchase a 20 ticket booklet at the garage office for \$110.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun 2/5	Childcare—2nd Floor, Room 2	9:30am
	Little People's Program—Library	10:00am
	Religious Ed. Grades 1-6—Classrooms posted	11:00am
	Sr. High Youth Group—3rd Floor, Library	11:15am
	Community Coffee—Auditorium	After 10&12 Mass
Tues 2/7	Do We Need a Vatican III—Chapel	6:30pm
Wed 2/8	Supper Club—Auditorium	6:00pm
	Lector's Meeting—6th Floor, Rm. 13—Team 1	7:00pm
Sun 2/12	Childcare—2nd Floor, Room 2	9:30am
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STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD
Weekend Collection	\$ 9,375	\$161,363
Budget Amount	\$ 8,030	\$167,827
Difference	\$ 1,345	(\$ 6,464)

Our weekend budget is essential to continuing current program and staffing levels and, as we all know from our strategic plan, we ideally want to be in a position to do even more. Weekend collections are the "bread and butter" of our operating budget, out of which salaries and programs are funded. As always, we remind you that it is only the generosity of your resources that makes the activities of the Paulist Center possible. If you wish to make an offering, please make checks payable to the Paulist Center and mail to 5 Park Street, Boston, MA 02108.

5% COMMUNITY GIFT:

We give 5% of our total fiscal year weekend collections to various organizations. The week of Feb. 5 we designate **Boston Rescue Mission**. For information please see www.brm.org. Thank you for your continued support of and generosity to these varied organizations!

SET UP YOUR OWN ON-LINE GIVING!

Vanco Services gives you the ability to set up your own online giving. Go to www.paulistboston.com and click on "Give to the Paulist Center," or fill out a paper form and send it to **Patty Simpson**, or pattypcc@aol.com, or **617-948-2428**. Automatic recurring donations to the Center are a huge help to our ministry. Thank you for your generosity.

SERVICE FOR ED PELTIER

Long time community member Ed Peltier has passed away. LA memorial service will be here at the Paulist Center on **Sun., Feb. 26** at 2pm with a reception following.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual direction is available at the Center for persons who wish to deepen their Spiritual Life. Sister Kathleen Hagerty, CSJ, is available to see persons who are interested. **Sister Kathleen at 781-480-3836**. A donation of \$10-\$25 is suggested.

Daily Scripture Readings are available free at www.usccb.org/bible/readings/. Subscriptions to "Give Us This Day" missalettes available from Liturgical Press at www.giveusthisday.org.

DIRECTOR'S REFLECTION

Here's my reflection on this week's gospel. *Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and finding him said, "everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."*

Mark 1:35-38

Liminal Space

A small boat with a laboring engine
caught at the mouth of the river
pushing forward against an incoming tide
the ocean swirling past, rushing upstream;
that liminal space in the semi-light of dawn
between the depth and dreams of sleep
and the full knowing of this new day.
Jesus choose to be alone and in that place,
desolate, where he could meet himself
without the distraction of seeking or being sought.
He taught us where to go to know our soul
and strain with the God who pushes creation.
Then, and only then, can we go forward
to encounter another unencumbered.

Frank Desiderio, C.S.P.

WELCOME!

Please warmly welcome these new or returning members to our Paulist Center Community!

Clara Herrero & Micah Goldman of Jamaica Plain
Paul Caruso of Weymouth

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Jessica Coblentz Frank Desiderio, CSP Michael Kurley
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Please see our website for direct contact information.

DREAM WORK WITH FR. ROBERT H. BAER

Fr. Baer is a Swiss trained Jungian psychoanalyst, practicing in Boston for 28 years. Understanding your dreams is the path to greater personal enrichment. Call **617-948-2413**.