



SAINT PAUL'S PARISH

HARVARD SQUARE

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

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saintpaulschoirschool.us

Mass for the Lord's Day

St. Paul's Church

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM,
5:00 PM (during academic term)

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM— St. Paul's Church

Vespers

Tuesday and Wednesday—6:30 PM

(Parish Center Chapel)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday 11:00 AM until noon in the Church

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please inquire at the parish office

Confession

Saturday 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM Upper Church

Or by appointment

Eucharist

See Mass schedule above

Marriage

Couples planning to marry in the Church should make an appointment to see one of the priests as far in advance as possible (at least six months)

Confirmation

Celebrated annually, contact the parish office for info

Holy Orders

If you feel called to consider a vocation to priesthood or diaconate, speak to the clergy here or call the Archdiocese directly at 617-746-5939 (priesthood) or 617-746-5649 (diaconate)

Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament will take place immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass on the first Saturday of each month, or please contact a priest at anytime

Third Sunday of Advent
December 17, 2023

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**Church is Open for Prayer Everyday From
7:30 AM to 6:00 PM.**

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING
OF THE SICK**

Offered after the 9:00am Mass on the First Saturday of each month. Those who are facing surgeries or very serious health issues may present themselves to the priest after Mass in the front of the church. Family and friends are most welcome to be present together during the Anointing.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays 11:00am to Noon in the church followed by Mass at 12:10pm.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday, December 16

9:00am Memorial: Mildred McCarty

5:00pm Special Intention: Robert C. McCarthy and Family

Sunday, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent

7:30am For the deceased members of the Watson and

Gurung Families

9:30am For the People of St. Paul's Parish

11:00am Memorial: John Dunn

Monday, December 18

8:00am Sr. Margaret Dorgan

Tuesday, December 19

8:00am Memorial: Stanley Kay

12:10pm Memorial: Keith Creamer

Wednesday, December 20

8:00am Sr. Margaret Dorgan

12:10pm St. Paul's Choir School Fund Intention

Thursday, December 21 Saint Peter Canisius

Friday, December 22

8:00am Sr. Margaret Dorgan

Saturday, December 23 Saint John of Kanty

5:00pm For all nations affected by war and violence

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The parish is always ready to receive adults into the process of preparation for baptism or reception into Full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church. Please e-mail rcia@stpaulparish.org for information.

PARISH FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishable food donations may be left in the church foyer whenever there is a Mass (Monday-Friday 12:10pm; Saturday 9:00am, regular Sunday schedule.) The food pantry is **open Saturdays from 10:00am to 11:00am.**

PARKING FOR MASS ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Free parking at the Cowperthwaite Garage is available by permit only for those attending Mass on weekends only. Contact the Parish office for a parking application.

NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL PARISH!

To register, please visit the parish web site, www.stpaulsharvardsquare.org.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Low gluten hosts are available. Please speak to one of the priests, in the sacristy, before Mass if you require one.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dear Friends,

Today is *Gaudete Sunday*, and truly, we have lots about which we can rejoice! Join us for the final Choir School Christmas concert on December 17 at 3:00 here in the church; bring a lot of friends! Tickets are available on the school website, with general seating available at the door. Student tickets are only \$10.00!

Our final Advent Luncheon for our homeless sisters and brothers will take place this Wednesday following the noon Mass. You are welcome to volunteer financial support but especially time for setting up, serving food, cleaning up, and just sitting with our guests.

Gifts for the Giving Tree are due this Sunday, Dec. 17 by noon time. This will allow for our dedicated St. Vincent de Paul team to prepare and distribute these items. Many thanks for your kind generosity.

As we have mentioned, the boiler which heats the Parish Offices, Choir School, Harvard Catholic Center and rectory has breathed its last! How cliché! This was an unexpected blow. There are solutions for some heat in various parts of the building. The estimate for the new boiler is \$150,000, which we hope to have in place by the end of December. You may remember that we recently replaced a pipe in the church at the cost of \$60,000. These numbers are staggering but very real.

With that, parishioners have asked about the Parish Grand Annual collection. We have had a modest beginning, with 51 pledges received. Could you help us to meet our goal of 400 parishioners participating? For our parish to stay solvent and afloat (not including these recent extraordinary costs), **I am asking every individual or household to pledge/donate \$400; this can be paid in installments over the next four or five months. 400 participants/\$400.** Please make the sacrificial offering that most reflects your ability. This, along with your weekly offertory, will allow us to carry out our important mission of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ here in Boston and internationally. Many thanks! See the website or call the office for more information.

During these final days of Advent, if I could remind all of us to take a few moments of extra prayer each day. **Our church is open from 7:30am to 6:00pm each day.** The Rosary is literally at our fingertips. **Confessions are each Saturday from 3:00-4:30, with a special session on this Wednesday, December 20 from 6:30-8:00pm.** The Christmas Mass schedule is complicated this year, so plan ahead!

Come to us, Lord Jesus!
Fr. Kelly

ADVENT 2023

CHRISTMAS CONCERT TICKETS

Christmas in Harvard Square

Sunday, December 17, 3:00pm

Tickets for the Choir School's annual Christmas concert may be purchased online at www.saintpaulschoirschool.us
Free parking is available at the Broadway Street Garage on the day of the concert from 2:00-6:00pm, only a nine-minute walk away.

SAVE THE DATE:

CLEAN AND DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!

Join us on **Thursday, December 21 at 12:45pm** as we clean and decorate the church for Christmas. A fun time is had by all who participate!

HOMELESS COMMUNITY MEAL PROGRAM

The Homeless-Community Meal Program will meet on Wednesdays **December 20**. Coffee, tea and bagels are served from 10:00am on. The meal will be served after the noon Mass. Volunteers are needed to bring prepared dishes of comfort food, vegetables, salads, dessert, fruits and juices which can be left with Nancy or put in the kitchen in DiGiovanni Hall or lower church (please label "Meal program"). Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve, eat and visit with guests, and clean up. For information please contact Carol at 617.666.2855 or Mercedes at 617-492-7047.

ST. VINCET DE PAUL SOCIETY GIVING TREE

Unwrapped gifts, with the SVDP identifying tag, may be left in the parish center office **by noon ON or before Sunday, December 17 for distribution to the families that evening.**

FR. KELLY'S GREETING CARDS

Fr. Kelly's greeting cards are available for purchase in the Parish Center Office. Cards are \$3 each or 4 for \$10. There is a wide selection of cards...they make great Christmas gifts!

INTERNET RESOURCES FOR ADVENT

<http://bustedhalo.com/tag/holy-days-seasons>

<https://www.pray-as-you-go.org/home/>

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Clergy Trust and St. Paul's Parish

The upcoming Christmas collections will benefit the Clergy Trust which cares for the health and well-being of diocesan priests and the second collection for our parish. Thank you in advance for your generosity to both collections.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SYLVIA FERNANDEZ

We'd like to say congratulations to parishioner Sylvia Fernandez on receiving the Cheverus Award. Thank you for all you do for the Archdiocese of Boston!

DECEMBER 17, 2023

CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PAUL'S

CONFESSION: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

As you prepare for Christmas, an additional day for Confessions will be heard in the church on **Wednesday, December 20 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.**

FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of our parishioners, items that are popular at the food pantry at this time are **hot cocoa and cake mix.** Other priority items include **low sugar cereals, unsweetened non-dairy milk (almond, coconut, etc.), granola bars, canned fruit, applesauce, packages of fruit or applesauce cups, rice, and nuts.** We do not currently need pasta, macaroni and cheese, canned beans, or condensed soup as we have received many donations of these items.

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST. PAUL'S

Mass Intentions for daily and weekend Masses are being accepted. Masses may be offered to remember those who have died, for those who are ill, as well as in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary or for a special intention. Please contact Nancy in the Parish Office during the week for **details and to reserve a particular Mass.**

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp, which burns for eight days and nights at the tabernacle, symbolizes the presence of Christ and marks the boundaries of holy space in the Church. **If you are interested in learning how to donate a Sanctuary Lamp, contact Nancy at 617.491-8400 ext. 303.**

MEDITATIONS BEFORE MASS

The Guardini reading group is currently reading The Lord. If you are interested, please join us at **10:30am on Sundays in the Bishop Boles Conference** for about twenty minutes.

CENTERING PRAYER

The Centering prayer group meets on **Thursdays** from 6:30pm-8:00pm in Mary's Room and by Zoom. The first meeting of the month includes lectio divina, followed by a period of centering prayer. We are currently reading "Christian Meditation" by James Finley. Readings are provided. All are welcome. For more information, please and Zoom information please contact Susan or Janice (stpaulcentering@gmail.com).

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCES

Please consider joining electronic giving at the parish:

Online Giving

Account may be set up for a one-time donation, continuous giving, or for an anonymous one-time donation

<https://app.securegive.com/StPaulParish/dashboard>
Or SecureGive App on your mobile device



Text Giving

- ◆ Text "weekly" and donation amount ("weekly 10") to (617) 401-9400
- ◆ For first time donor, follow reply link to create account and confirm transaction
- ◆ For return donor, reply "Y" to confirm transaction

Kiosk Giving

Swipe your credit card in the vestibule.

As always, thank you to past and present benefactors.

Offertory week ending 12/10/23	\$3,166
Offertory via mail week ending 12/8/23	\$1,210
FY2024 Grand Annual to Date	Pending
FY23 (11/5/22-2/28/23)	
Electronic Giving November 2023	\$38,668
FY2024 Offertory (all methods) as of 12/8/23	\$299,017
FY24 (7/1/23-6/30/24)	unreconciled

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
Mass 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:00am (Advent IV)
3:00pm Lessons and Carols
5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass (with Parish Choir)
7:30pm Christmas Eve Mass (with Choir and Schola)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS
9:00am Mass (with Parish Choir)
11:00am Mass (with Choir and Schola)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31
Mass 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:00am
No Vigil Mass (due to wedding)

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
11:00am Mass (Cantor and Organ)

HARVARD CATHOLIC CENTER—STUDENT NEWS

Join us for Mass on Sunday at 5:00 PM. St. Paul's Church.

HARVARD CATHOLIC CENTER PODCAST

Check out Fr. Patrick's podcast series,
"The Harvard Catholic,"

which can be found on the bottom of the HCC homepage
and all podcast listening apps.

For more information visit

ww.HarvardCatholic.org and to register for the
weekly e-blast, scan the QR Code.



GRAD STUDENTS, POST DOCS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (GS&YP)

HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL MASS

Mass weekly on Sundays at 8:15 PM (during the academic
year) at the Harvard Business School Class of 1959 Chapel.

YOUNG COUPLES & NEW FAMILIES

Welcoming all young couples and new families to potluck
breakfast every third Sunday of the month after the
9:30am Mass in DiGiovanni Hall. Please send an email
to saintpaulycnf@gmail.com to get on our mailing list!

*Will meet in the Bishop Boles Conference Room on
Sunday, December 17.*

VERBUM DEI: GRAD SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER GROUP

*Verbum Dei will not meet on Sunday, December 24
and 31, 2023.*

Every Sunday from 11:00am-12:30pm, we meet in the
Harvard Catholic Center's student lounge to reflect on this
Sunday's readings (giving particular attention to the Gos-
pel) and consider how they can impact our daily lives. No
preparation is required; newcomers are very much wel-
come. Ben Schlanger (benjamin.p.schlanger@gmail.com)
Kasey Kimball (kimbalkh@bc.edu)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
Isaiah 61:1

MONTHLY DINNER AND ADORATION

Thursday, January 4, 2024

6:00pm: Adoration in Main Church and Confession

7:00pm: Indoor Dinner Gathering in DiGiovanni Hall

Come join the graduate student, postdoc, and young
professional community at St. Paul's for our renowned monthly
dinners on the first Thursday of each month! Adoration starts
at 6:00pm in the main church (Confession also available) fol-
lowed by dinner in DiGiovanni Hall at 7:00pm. Feel free to
come for all or part of the evening! **\$10 (cash only) donation
please.**

SATURDAY SERVICE: HOMELESS OUTREACH

Saturday Service with the Missionaries of Charity

Every Saturday promptly after the 9:00am Mass, a group
of us will carpool to the Missionaries of Charity's convent
in Dorchester to help the Sisters with their children's pro-
gram, women's shelter, and general needs. Please know
that all are welcome to join, and you can email Michelle
Vaccaro (michelle_vaccaro@g.harvard.edu) with any ques-
tions.

PLAY WITHOUT CEASING

(BOARD GAMES NIGHT)

Second and Fourth Friday of the month, 7:30 PM - 9:00
PM Harvard Catholic Center, Mary's Room, Rm 203 and
Rm 204

Join us for some fun board and party games and meet
your fellow Catholics (and soon-to-be Catholics!). Please
feel free to bring your own games, though we will have
well enough for everyone. The more the merrier.

If you are planning on coming, please text Jack Edmondson
at 717.778.7900 or connect through FB messenger.

R&R: ROSARY AND RELAXATION

Meet Rosary in the Women Doctor's of the Church Chapel
Join us weekly on **Thursdays at 7:30pm to pray a rosary
and then hangout the lounge at 8:00pm.** All are welcome,
even for part of the evening! Any questions contact Terry
Culpepper tculpepper@g.harvard.edu **Note: this will not
happen on the first Thursday of the month.**

ST. JOSEPH MEN'S GROUP

Mondays, 8-9 PM

Boles Room, HCC

ckaminski@mba2025.hbs.edu

The group will not meet Dec 18, 25, or Jan 1

SATURDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BRUNCH: BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE!

9:30 AM Room 203, HCC Contact **Scarlett Rose Ford**
(scarlettroseford@gmail.com)