



SAINT PAUL'S PARISH

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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

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 24, 2023

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday, December 23 Saint John of Kanty
5:00pm For all nations affected by war and violence

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30am For the conversion of and return of those
fallen away from the church

9:30am For persecuted Christians throughout the world

11:00am For the People of St. Paul's Parish

Tuesday, December 26 Saint Stephen

8:00am Memorial: Ronald R. Horrocks Sr

Wednesday, December 27 Saint John

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

Thursday, December 28 The Holy Innocents

12:10pm Special Intention: Ginette D. Ceac

Friday, December 29 Saint Thomas Becket

Saturday, December 30

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

Sunday, December 31

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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.

**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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dear Friends,

These are full days indeed! This weekend, we conclude the wonderful season of Advent, which brought blessings to so many, and with that, we launch into these Christmas days, which we will celebrate until the Baptism of the Lord on January 8. I do hope that you can gather with friends and loved ones as we celebrate the birth of our Salvation!

I want to thank all those who provided so much care and hard work in serving our homeless brothers and sisters with our Advent lunches. Making St. Paul's a welcoming refuge for so many reflects our being called from worship into service so vividly.

The Choir School's Christmas concerts brought over a thousand people to our church, many for the first time. I am grateful to Mr. Webster and Mr. Straub for their sharing of so many talents, and to the staff and families who help our boys to perform at such a high level of professional musicianship. There were many moments during the concert that will stay with me for many years to come.

Another thank you: to our St. Vincent de Paul team and all those who responded to the call for gifts on our Giving Tree. Our parish office looked like Santa's workshop these past few weeks, all due to the generosity of so many.

Here is an update on the boiler. As I've mentioned, we've been without real heat in the school, Parish Center, Harvard Catholic Center and rectory since early December. Though the cost is significant (\$150,000), the replacement project has gone as well as can be expected, and hopefully when you read this, the radiators will be humming again. Many thanks to Business Manager Douglas Lee who tackled this project with his customary energy and eye for detail. I will also provide an update on the Parish Grand Annual in early January, but if making charitable donations before the New Year is your custom, we look forward to hearing from you soon.

If you and your friends and family are in town for Christmas and New Year's, I hope you can join us for the Lessons and Carols at 3:00 on Christmas Eve and at any of the Masses listed in the bulletin and on the website. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!

God bless you and Merry Christmas,
Fr. Kelly

ADVENT 2023

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 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)



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM EVERYONE
AT ST. PAUL'S!

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

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.

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

*As always, thank you to past and present benefactors.
Due to early bulletin submission deadlines,
offertory will be updated next week.*

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.



HARVARD CATHOLIC CENTER—STUDENT NEWS

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 www.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

Will resume on Sunday, January 21, 2024.

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 Gospel) and consider how they can impact our daily lives. No preparation is required; newcomers are very much welcome. 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) followed 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 program, 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 questions.

SATURDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BRUNCH:

BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE!

9:30 AM Room 203, HCC Contact Scarlett Rose Ford

(scarlettroseford@gmail.com)

Will resume the week of January 22, 2024.

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 **Will meet on Friday, December 29th instead of**

Friday, December 22nd.

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

Will resume on Monday, January 8, 2024.