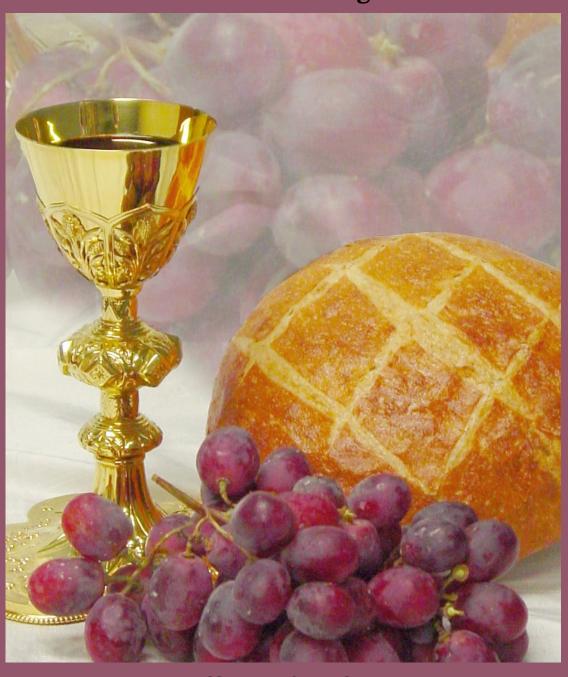
# HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

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## **OUR COLLABORATIVE**

### **Holy Redeemer Parish**



#### St. Ann

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Phone: 978-346-8604 Email: holyredeemer@verizon.net



#### **Nativity**

Parish offices and church: 4 Green St., Merrimac 01860 Office Hours: By appointment

Phone: 978-346-8604 Email: holyredeemer@verizon.net

### **Immaculate Conception Parish**



#### Immaculate Conception

Parish, church, rectory, and offices: 42 Green St., Newburyport 01950

Office Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Phone: 978-462-2724

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### St. Mary's Cemetery

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# **COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

#### Collaborative Mass Schedule

#### Saturday (6/17)

4:00pm **IC** Warren W. Snow, Daniel J. Snow, William Lindquist, Ernie Penta, For the intentions of Paul & Christine Blanchette on the occasion of their 48th Wedding Anniversary (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm Nativity Jack Gorski (Fr. Morin)

#### Sunday (6/18) Father's Day

7:15 IC Mabel Kalashian (Fr. Harrison)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

9:00am IC Frank J. Aldrich (Fr. Harrison)

10:15am St. Ann (Fr. McLaughlin)

11:00am **IC** Brian Dwyer, Jane Joe Shea, Natalie Kelly (Fr. Broderick)

#### Monday (6/19)

9:00am St. Ann (Fr. Harrison)

#### **Tuesday (6/20)**

7:15am IC (Fr. Harrison)

#### Wednesday (6/21)

7:15am IC Peter Charles Boschetti (Fr. Morin)

#### Thursday (6/22)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

#### Friday (6/23)

9:00am Nativity (Fr. McLaughlin)

#### Saturday (6/24)

10:30am Country Rehab (Fr. Broderick)

4:00pm IC Mabel Kalashian, Daniel P. Bradley,

John A. Dow, O. William Powell (Fr. Morin)

4:00pm **St. Ann** *Janice Sherburne* (Fr. Harrison)

#### **Sunday (6/25)**

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

8:00am Nativity (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am IC Carol A. Ryder (Fr. Broderick)

10:15am St. Ann (Fr. Harrison)

11:00am IC (Fr. McLaughlin)

In your prayers please remember Helen Garand and all the faithful departed.

#### The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.

IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

### Happy Father's Day

### **Parish Membership**

Welcome all newcomers to our Collaborative! Parish registration forms are available online at <a href="https://example.com/html/>html/html/>html

#### From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, many priests will choose to focus on the host and chalice—the fact that we believe as Catholic Christians



that the bread and wine we offer at Mass actually become the Body and Blood of the Lord through a mysterious process called "transubstantiation." This is what is often referred to as the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist. And they are not wrong. There are many aspects of this historical feast that celebrate exactly that. We Catholics and only a few others embrace this profound understanding of what happens during our Eucharistic liturgies.

But I would like to offer another way to engage this ancient feast, once referred to as "Corpus Christi" in the Latin. And that is to look at our Eucharist as an event to be celebrated. Last weekend, I was invited to concelebrate a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mass with a priest who has been a good friend and mentor to me since my earliest days in the seminary. The entire afternoon was marked with multiple levels of celebration that brought us together, culminating in our sharing of the Lord's Body and Blood, but with many important and essential elements included along the way.

To begin with, we were welcomed as we made our way into the vastness of this historic gothic church where he and his family had found their faith nurtured from generations-past. This included hugs and handshakes, familiar waves and joyous re-acquaintances with old friends. What was an imposing and cold stone structure, quickly filled with the warmth of much love and acceptance. Then there was music! Although hardly cutting edge, it was standard fair for Trinity Sunday—lots of hymns giving praise to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. But it was also quite sing-able, and was clearly known by most of the congregation. The words were provided on a worship aid for those who might be unfamiliar with the third or fourth verses of some of the songs. There are few things that bring people together more effectively than singing with one another, knowing that our common song belies our common faith and shared -belief. No one was alone in their faith in Jesus. We were in this together.

Then, there was laughter! Although some lightness from the joyful presider gave people cause to rejoice, we also were joyful in our shared happiness that intertwined one man's acceptance of his vocation through many significant moments in people's lives. God had touched each of us in multiple ways through this man's life of service and love. And it was done with much laughter and joy along the way. How could frivolity not erupt among God's People?

Many hands make for light work! Throughout the mass, a rich variety of different ministries were shared by clergy and laity alike. We priests all had our proper role, praying the

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### COLLABORATIVE NEWS

#### This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, June 19

AA Meeting 10:30am & 7:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205 Boy Scouts Troop 41 Meeting 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Tuesday, June 20

Breaking Bread Meal 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall HR St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm, Nativity Rectory

Wednesday, June 21

Holy Quilters 2:30pm, Nativity Hall Adoration 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel Centering Prayer 6:00pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205 IC Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Thursday, June 22

Rosary for Life 6:30pm, IC St. James Chapel

Friday, June 23

Adoration 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel Staff Meeting 8:30am, IC Charity Dining Room AA Meeting 7:00pm, IC Nazareth Library, Room 205

Saturday, June 24

St. Ann Choir Rehearsal 3:30pm, St. Ann Church

Sunday, June 25

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 7:45am, Nativity Church St. Ann Choir Rehearsal 9:45am, St. Ann Church Scripture Study 2:00pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205

#### Collaborative Online

Visit our Collaborative Website, www.hriccatholic.org for up-to-date information on groups, meetings, religious ed., Mass times, and current events. See our new, expanded calendar; view our current and archived bulletins; link to other Catholic websites; or check out the updated photos section. We have so much happening.

### **Bulletin Information**

Please supply bulletin information by Monday noon to the collaborative bulletin email: hricbulletin@gmail.com.

### Volunteer Needed for Avita of Newburyport

Every Sunday Avita brings senior citizens to Mass at Holy Redeemer. They are in need of a volunteer to help with this project. Please contact Deb Shapiro, 978-225-700, deb@avitaofnewburyport.com.



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Eucharistic Prayer and helping with the distribution of Holy Communion. But men and women of various ages and stations welcomed the visitors, proclaimed the Scriptures, lead the singing and the acclamations, played musical instruments, lead our common Prayer of the Faithful and also helped with the distribution of Holy Communion. As an Assembly of Faith, we were young and old, men and women, clergy and religious, married and single, all working together to praise God. Although we were all there to mark 50 years of ordained ministry, it wasn't all about what "Father" was doing and saying. It was about all of us worshipping God together, with one voice...with one faith.

And finally, we were sent. The final dismissal of the Mass has changed a bit over the years in various translations of the Roman Missal, but the force of the words remain acute: Go now in (Christ's) Peace to love and serve the Lord and one another! Participating in Mass has always been about being charged to go back out into our daily lives—into the market, our places of work, our schools and our homes and share the Good News of God's love for us in Christ with others. It has never been about a private faith that we keep to ourselves. And while there is a strong tradition to do this more through actions than words (thank you, St. Francis of Assisi!), the point is to do it, so that others can share in our joy and so that God may use us as instruments of His will.

So, for me, with all due reverence for the Eucharistic species themselves, the Body and Blood of Christ will always carry with it an essential element of action and celebration, of participation and mission. Are these not the very things that Christ Himself has commanded of us, when He said, "Do this in memory of me?" My priest friend of many years invited all of us to celebrate this beautifully this past week. How will we embrace this feast of the Church today?

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

### San Marcos Coffee Sale

June 17-18



For Father's Day please consider treating Dad San Marcos coffee. This specialty coffee is produced by poor farmers in Honduras who

benefit greatly from our quarterly sales. It will be freshly roasted and available in whole-bean or ground for \$10/ pound after Masses this weekend, June 17/18.

Also, we are looking for a couple of volunteers from all sites to help sell coffee after Masses at our quarterly sales. Please call Karen Finnegan to learn more: 978-465-4173.

#### Ouestions of the Week



Adult: In what way this week will you "become bread" for others?

Child How does receiving Holy Communion make you stronger?

## **COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

### **Scripture Study**

Scripture Study will meet on June 25



Father Broderick's Scripture Study will meet on June 25 at 2:00pm in the IC Parish Center, on its regularly scheduled third Sunday of the month. We will begin reading and discussing *The Epistle Of James*. This short,

practical letter, composed of only five chapters, is addressed to a general audience, the twelve tribes of the dispersion. James concerns himself entirely with Christian conduct, stressing that we can tell whether someone's faith is real by how he or she behaves, putting faith into practice.

A gifted teacher, Father Broderick not only explains the meaning of the Scripture passages, but also presents rich description of the period and places cited, as well as the culture and practices of the people involved. He connects the events in the New Testament to Old Testament prophecies and events, as well as to our own time. This is a worthwhile way to spend an hour and fifteen minutes on a Sunday afternoon. All members of the parish are invited to attend these sessions and grow in knowledge and faith.

#### "Ask a Priest"

You are needed on the Friday evenings of this coming summer, from June 30–September 1, 2017, from 6:00–8:30 p.m. on the Inn Street pedestrian way in Newburyport.



Our plan is to have a priest present to answer questions people might have in a one-on-one setting plus other members of the Parishes present to talk about their faith and to perhaps have some literature explaining all the many services and opportunities the Catholic Church has to offer.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call Father George, 978-462-2724. Prayerfully consider becoming part of the outreach. We need you.

### Celebrating the Sacraments

#### Reconciliation

IC: Saturdays: 3:00pm to 3:30pm or by appointment. HR: Saturdays before the 4:00pm Mass or by appointment.

#### **Baptism**

Call the Parish Office for information and to register.

#### Marriage

Archdiocesan guidelines request that couples planning to marry in the Church contact the church at least six months prior to the wedding date.

#### Sacrament of the Sick

This Sacrament should not be seen as only administered when there is danger of death. Please call us if someone is in the hospital, so that we can visit the loved one and have the community pray for them.

### Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi

Join Fr. Tim on a pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi on October 8–17, 2017. During the 10-day tour, we will visit Rome where we will attend a Papal audience and tour St. Peter's as well as other sites in Rome. The trip includes two days in Assisi also.

To reserve your space or for more information, visit www.pilgrimages.com/FatherTim\_RomeAssisi2017 or call 206 Tours at 800-206-8687, and ask for Amanda or Bika.

### Pilgrimage to Canada

Join Fr. George on a pilgrimage to Canada on August 21–26, 2017. During the six-day tour of Montreal and Quebec City, we will visit shrines, churches, cathedrals, museums, chapels, monasteries, and much more.

To reserve your space or for more information, visit www.pilgrimages.com/frgeorgemorin or call 206 Tours at 800-206-8687, and ask for Amanda or Bika.

### **Centering Prayer**

Centering Prayer, resting silently in God, facilitates the process of inner transformation. Our prayer without words is one of intention to surrender to God's presence and action in our lives and desire for a closer relationship with God. Join us on Wednesdays, 6:00pm–7:00pm, in the IC Nazareth Library. Join us as we pray in this ancient Christian tradition and together deepen our understanding of this prayer in our own spiritual journey. For information please contact Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483. or visit www.hriccatholic.org.

## Leap of Faith

Corey Ruane and Alice Mulvany successfully completed their jump on Saturday, June 3. In Corey's words, "It was a really cool experience."

Due to wind and cloud coverage, Dave, Dani, Tori, and Wendy will reschedule their jumps. Thank you for all your support and your generous donations. We will provide an update later with monies raised as people continue to give.



### **RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for those considering becoming Catholic as adults or youth that have not received the sacraments in the traditional years. Have you been considering it? Please contact Marin Fortune, 978-462-2724 or <a href="mailto:fortune@newburyportcatholic.org">fortune@newburyportcatholic.org</a> if you would like to learn more about this program.

# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

### **Offertory Collection**

Next week's second collection supports the Holy Father in providing emergency assistance to suffering people throughout the world. Contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection are given directly by the Holy Father to individuals who are suffering from immediate emergencies that are the result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please visit <a href="https://www.usccb.org/ppc">www.usccb.org/ppc</a> for more information.



# "With One Voice"

On Pentecost Sunday, Father Tim spoke before all the Masses, highlighting the need to make some substantial repairs and improvements to both of our church properties. Many of you are aware that for some time now, we have had a number of maintenance needs that have gone unaddressed, and it is now time that we attend to these before they become much larger and more expensive projects.

Our community will be hosting a series of capital campaign **receptions** to share more personally with you the work to be completed and our fundraising plan. Watch for a special invitation to be sent to all registered parishioners in the weeks ahead. Please select a location, date, and time that is most convenient for you.

#### Upcoming Receptions

Save the Date

Tuesday, July 11

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Nativity Church)

Saturday, July 15

9:00 a.m. (Nativity Church)

Thursday, July 20

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

### C.A.M.P.S. Mega Sports Raffle

Come prepared to purchase a few tickets

Raffle tickets will be sold after Masses on the weekend of June 17 and 18 in Merrimac and West Newbury as a fundraiser for C.A.M.P.S. (*just in time for inserting in a Father's Day card!*). Raffle Tickets are only \$5 each. Winning tickets will be drawn the first week of August. Proceeds help defray the operational costs for this life-changing retreat experience for high school age teens.

#### 2017 Prizes

Prizes include pairs of tickets to Red Sox, Celtics, Bruins, and Patriots games.

### **HR Religious Education**

2017-18 Religious Ed.

Needed for the Rel. Ed. Program: A 3rd Grade teacher is needed for Sunday morning classes beginning in September, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass in Merrimac. Please contact Doreen O'Leary if you have any questions, or to volunteer. Thanks.

The class schedules and each class syllabus will be online on the collaborative calendar soon.

Incoming **First Graders** need to be registered for the Holy Redeemer Religious Ed. program. Please download our registration form online: <a href="hricatholic.org">hricatholic.org</a>, click Faith Formation, then the Holy Redeemer tab.

Incoming 7th and 8th Graders who may be interested in our Mission Week (in Collaboration with IC Parish) July 10–14 need to register now. Forms are online: <a href="https://hittps://h

Group emails have been sent to all of our Religious Ed. families to register now for the fall.

The Registration Forms for Religious Ed. are one per family. Please include your Confirmation Candidate (if applicable) on the family form. (Remember this student need only pay \$25 for their robe rental fee.)

#### Vacation Bible School

All students in Grades K–6 are reminded to check out the Holy Redeemer Vacation Bible School (VBS) program in Merrimac July 10–14. Don't miss out. Older students and adults can sign up as volunteers. Sign up at: <a href="https://www.vbspro.events/p/nativity2017">wbspro.events/p/nativity2017</a>.

#### Contact info: Office of Religious Education

Doreen O'Leary (Rel. Ed. email: <a href="mailto:reledhrp@gmail.com">reledhrp@gmail.com</a>, or for forms to register for the fall: <a href="mailto:hriccatholic.org">hriccatholic.org</a>. (click the Faith Formation tab, then the Holy Redeemer tab).

### HR St. Vincent de Paul Society

There is a wonderful way to honor someone who has requested "No gifts, please." You can send a check to Holy Redeemer Saint Vincent de Paul at 4 Green Street in Merrimac. Your donation will honor someone's celebration and will also help those in need. A note will be sent to let that someone know about the donor's meaningful gift. Donations can be made to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant occasions. Make checks payable to HR SVdP.

### **VBS** at Nativity

Join us for Vacation Bible School this summer, July 10–14 from 9:00–12:00. The theme is *Maker Fun Factory*. Children ages 5–11 can sign up to be participants. Teens and adults can sign up to volunteer.



Visit vbspro.events/p/nativity2017 to sign up.

For more information contact Jen Acorn, 978-697-1082.

## HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

### Saturday Mass at St. Ann

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00pm Mass will move to **St. Ann** in West Newbury on **June 24**.

### Holy Redeemer Holiday Fair

The Holiday Fair is a long-running tradition at Holy Redeemer. It is held the Saturday before Thanksgiving at the Nativity Hall. Gift baskets, homemade soups, silent auction items, and nearly new items are available. The 2017 Fair will be November 18 from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now for this fun event.

### **HR Prayer Shawl**

Do you know of any woman, man, or child who needs comfort and could use a Blessed Prayer Shawl or Lap Blanket? Please call Helen Kelley 978-771-4673 or Terry Duhamel 978-384-8099 for a shawl or more information.

We would love for you to join us. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall, Merrimac, at 1:00pm. Don't know how to crochet or knit, we will teach you and give you yarn. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 6 at 1:00 p.m.



# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL**

ICS School Play: Peter Pan



# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

### **Offertory Collection**

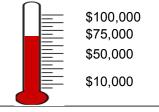
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\$8,861.00 \$1,646.00

The second collection this weekend is Restoration/Renovation. Next week's second collection supports the Holy Father in providing emergency assistance to suffering people throughout the world.

Please visit www.usccb.org/ppc for more information.

Grand Annual Goal \$100,000 To Date \$74,620.00 291 Families



# The Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Collection \$ 0.00 Poor Box \$235.00

Total \$235.00

#### **Consolers Circle Meal**

The IC community offers a light meal to families who have lost a loved one. The meal, provided by volunteers, is held in St. Louis Hall following the funeral Mass. Our hall holds up to 75 people, and there is no charge for this service. Donations are accepted. Inform the funeral director that you request this service when making arrangements.

### Online Giving

Immaculate Conception Parish provides Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring (weekly) donation. Getting started is easy—you need to be a registered member of Immaculate Conception Parish community. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office. Once you register, visit our website, <a href="https://hriccatholic.org">hriccatholic.org</a> and click the Online Giving picture at the bottom of our home page to get to the site. There are four different funds you can choose to contribute to. If you manage your other bills online, why not give to your Church online? It is safe and secure and you get to decide exactly when and to where your gift will be made. Any questions? Contact Linda Temple, IC Administrative Assistant 978-462-2724 x7404.

# The Compassionate Friends

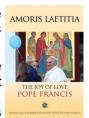
The Compassionate Friends of Greater Newburyport provides support for bereaved families after the loss of a child, grandchild or sibling—any age, any cause. Our monthly support meetings are held in the IC Conference Room 209 from 7:30–9:00pm on the 4th Monday of the month. The next meeting is **June 26**. Questions? Contact Barbara J. Hopkinson, founder and chapter leader, info@abutterflysjourney.org or 617-410-6309.

### **IC Religious Education**

Amoris Laetita...Pope Francis

Pope Francis released the Exhortation on the Family. We continue to review the various statements from the Holy Father.

Love is generous. In #101: We have repeatedly said that to love another we must first love ourselves. Paul's hymn to love, however, states that love "does not seek its own interest," nor "seek what is its own." This



same idea is expressed in another text: "Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (Phil 2:4). The Bible makes it clear that generously serving others is far more noble than loving ourselves. Loving ourselves is only important as a psychological prerequisite for being able to love others: "If a man is mean to himself, to whom will he be generous? No one is meaner than the man who is grudging to himself" (Sir 14:5-6).

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## "Voices of the Newburys"

Watch Jean Foley Doyle's "Voices from the Newburys: Oral History Interviews" series from Port Media. Jean, local educator and historian, discusses what it was like growing up in Newburyport and Newbury during the Depression and World War II. It's well worth a listen. The link can be found on our website and Facebook pages as well.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= oV4NAz-N6Q



The Holy Jammers is an impromptu group of musicians that meet on Wednesdays in the IC Pastoral Center, second floor, at 9:00am.

Anyone is welcome. Bring your instrument.

### **IC Knitting Ministry**

#### Knitting Ministry is on summer break until September



The Immaculate Conception Knitting Ministry is now on summer vacation. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 12 at 1:00 p.m., in room 209 in the IC Parish Center.

We have a supply of prayer shawls/lap robes available. For shawls and more information, please call Julia O'Connor 978-465-3350 or Frances Ronan 978-462-4972.

# **IC PARISH**

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#### **IC Summer Religious Education Classes**

Grades 1–8: Summer registration is available. Forms can be downloaded from the website:

Gr. 1–6: http://www.hriccatholic.org/IC-Children-s-Religious-Education Gr. 7–8: http://www.hriccatholic.org/IC-Youth-Religious-Education

Please be sure to complete a *Catechetical Events Log Sheet* to be eligible to participate in the Summer program. It needs to be submitted prior to the start of the program.

We are offering **2 programs for Grades 1–8**: June 26–30 and July 24–28. Monday–Thursday 9:00am–3:00pm and Friday 9:00am–1:00pm. Cost: \$175/student. Deadlines: June session has limited space available. Deadline is July 1 for July session.

New this summer: a Collaborative MS Mission Week July 10–14 for grades 7–8 youth. Schedule is as follows: Monday 10am–4pm, Tuesday 9am–4pm, Wednesday 8am –4pm, Thursday 10am–4pm, and Friday 10:00am–6:00pm. We have limited enrollment. It will combine catechesis and service and for IC youth it can be done in place of regular Summer Religious Education. Learning how to live our faith in service to those in need. Cost: \$200 includes transportation to agencies that serve the poor.

#### Youth Mass—September 24, 2017

Our next Youth Mass is Sunday, September 24 at Nativity, Merrimac at 5:00pm.

#### **Baptism**

Baptism info: http://www.hriccatholic.org/Baptism

July 9 Parent Class—Charity Dining Room 1:00pm July 16 Group Baptism—IC Church 1:00pm

#### Confirmation

**Summer Confirmation session** is July 17–20 from 5:30–8:00pm for Grades 9 and 10. More information and registration is available online:

http://www.hriccatholic.org/Confirmation--Immaculate-Conception-Parish

**School Year Confirmation sessions** will begin in the fall once a month on Sunday 1:00–3:00pm. For information and registration go online:

http://www.hriccatholic.org/Confirmation--Immaculate-Conception-Parish

#### **First Eucharist**

Registrations for 2017–2018 First Reconciliation and Eucharist will be available on the website in August 2017.

### Pre-Planning/At-Need Burial Space

Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue. St. Mary Cemetery is a 35-acre cemetery with consecrated grounds that provides tranquility and peacefulness at those difficult times that we all are faced with. Please visit the parish cemetery and you will find the cemetery to be well-managed and maintained. Cemetery plots are available for full-body and cremated remains burials in any denomination. Call Joseph Viel, Superintendent at 978-208-0266 to schedule an appointment.

## **OTHER EVENTS**

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."

Let the Lord feed and support your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are September 16–17, 2017 in Medway, MA and October 21–22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at <a href="https://www.mema.org/">https://www.mema.org/</a>.

### **Community Food Pantry**

First Parish Church of Newbury Community Food Pantry, 20 High Road, Newbury, is open every Friday from 3:00pm–5:00pm for anyone in need in the Collaborative's towns as well as Georgetown, Rowley, and Salisbury. The volunteers are very welcoming and no one is made to feel uncomfortable when visiting. No registration or proof of residency required. Fresh fruit and vegetables, many types of frozen meats, pasta, and desserts, as well as an array of canned goods, toiletries, etc. are available.

If you would like to donate, nonperishable goods, personal hygiene products, and/or pet food may be dropped off on Sunday mornings from 9:30–11:30am. Grocery store gift cards as well as cash/checks (made out to "First Parish" and write "food pantry" in the memo) are always welcome.

### C.A.M.P.S. 2017—34th Year

July 31–August 5, 2017 for High School Youth grade 9 through recently graduated seniors at Lakeside Christian Camp and Retreat Center, Pittsfield, MA.

#### What is C.A.M.P.S.?

C.A.M.P.S. is a ministry to youth with a three-fold mission:

- 1. That all participants come to a saving, personal relationship with Jesus Christ;
- 2. That Christian community be formed and lived; and
- That continued spiritual growth and commitment be fostered.

#### C.A.M.P.S. Leadership

Fr. George Morin, 978-346-8604: Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, W. Newbury

For more information and registration, visit: <a href="http://www.campsministry.com/application.html">http://www.campsministry.com/application.html</a>

Cost: \$478 registration and bus. PayPal available for an extra fee.

### Theology on Tap

Join Fr. Bill Lohan, pastor of St. Lucy and St. Monica Parishes in Methuen, and fellow Catholics at the Brick House Tavern + Tap, 105 Pleasant Valley Street, Methuen on Wednesday, June 21. The discussion topic will be "The Practice of Eucharistic Adoration and Its Beginnings."