

# HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

## The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2018



*The Nativity in mosaic tile from the front facade of the cathedral in Siena, Italy*

***“... And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” (Lk. 2:12)***

*All Are Welcome*

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## Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

*"Come all you who are thirsty, come to the waters..."*

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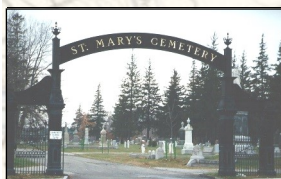
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# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Collaborative Mass Intentions

### Monday (12/24) Christmas Eve

4:00pm **IC** (Fr. Harrison)  
 4:00pm **IC** School Gym (Fr. McLaughlin)  
 4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Drew Christiansen)  
 4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)  
 6:00pm **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)  
 6:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

### Tuesday (12/25) Christmas Day

12:00midnight **IC** (Fr. Harrison)  
 8:00am **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)  
 8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)  
 10:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)  
 10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. Drew Christiansen)

### Wednesday (12/26)

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

### Thursday (12/27)

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

### Friday (12/28)

9:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

### Saturday (12/29)

4:00pm **IC** John & Katherine Kelley (Fr. Morin)  
 4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Paul)

### Sunday (12/30)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)  
 8:00am **Nativity** Margaret Gallant (Fr. Harrison)  
 9:00am **IC** George Cooper (Fr. Morin)  
 10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)  
 11:30am **IC** For the intentions of Paul Kowacki (Fr. Morin)

In your prayers, please remember all the faithful departed.

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

*IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport*

*Nativity—Merrimac*

*St. Ann—West Newbury*



## From the Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is a joy to welcome all of you to our annual celebration of the Birth of the Lord!



Christmas is a magical time of the year when our hearts are rendered docile and we focus, maybe just for the moment, on the inherent goodness that God calls us to reflect back into our world. It is a time for both festivity and for savoring the simplicity that is found in the most important gifts we receive: the love of God expressed through family, friends, and community.

As we enjoy and indulge in many wonderful traditions this day, let us make sure to also engage the love that God has blessed us with. Let us recall why we celebrate the birth of the Anointed One and the measure of love He came to share with our troubled world. It would be from the very heart of this love that Jesus would find the strength to offer His life on the Cross for our salvation. May it also give us the grace and courage to face our many challenges in the months ahead with confidence and hope.

Merry Christmas to all!

Fr. Tim Harrison, Pastor

## Christmas Collections

As we celebrate the Christmas holiday with family and friends, we ask you to remember our priests who have dedicated their lives to our Church. . . and to all of us. **Today's collection helps provide for the health and well-being of our 580 active and senior priests in good standing in our Archdiocese.** Amid these difficult times for our church, our hardworking priests need your support now more than ever. Among the gifts you give this Christmas season, please consider supporting this special collection for the priests who dedicated their lives to our parishes and families. Drop your envelope in today's basket or send your contribution to the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust, Archdiocese of Boston, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184. To donate online, please visit [clergytrust.org](http://clergytrust.org) or text the word PRIEST 25 to 20333 to donate \$25. *Msg. and data rates may apply.* May God bless you for your ongoing prayers and generous support of our priests this Christmas.

## Welcome Home! We're Glad You're Here

Merry Christmas! Our bulletin highlights many groups and events in the Collaborative. There are a variety of activities for all interests. Come, share your gifts. All are welcome!



## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### This Week in Our Collaborative

Visit our [calendar](http://hriccatholic.org) at [hriccatholic.org](http://hriccatholic.org) for a complete activity list.

**Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve**

**Collaborative Offices Closed**

**Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day**

**Collaborative Offices Closed**

**Wednesday, December 26**

**Holy Jammers Practice** 9:00am, IC Conference Room 209

**HR Holy Quilters** 1:00pm, Nativity Hall

**IC Youth Choir Rehearsal** 4:30pm, IC Church

**Adoration** 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel

**Centering Prayer** 6:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

**IC Adult Choir Rehearsal** 7:00pm, IC Church

**Thursday, December 27**

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

**Friday, December 28**

**Adoration** 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel

**Collaborative Offices Close at 12:00 noon**

**Saturday, December 29**

**Nativity Choir Rehearsal** 3:30pm, Nativity Church

**Sunday, December 30,**

**No Religious Ed.**

**Nativity Choir Rehearsal** 7:45am, Nativity Church

**St. Ann Choir Rehearsal** 9:45am, St. Ann Church

**Holy Family Open House** 1:00pm, Nativity Hall

### Weekly Mass Schedule

**Saturdays**

4:00pm **Immaculate Conception, Newburyport**

4:00pm **Holy Redeemer** (This Mass alternates between Nativity & St. Ann every 6 weeks. See the website calendar, [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org), for details.)

**Sundays**

7:15am **Immaculate Conception, Newburyport**

8:00am **Nativity, Merrimac**

9:00am **Immaculate Conception, Newburyport**

10:15am **St. Ann, West Newbury**

11:30am **Immaculate Conception, Newburyport**

(11:30am Labor Day through Memorial Day,

11:00am during the summer months.)

**Mondays**

9:00am **St. Ann, West Newbury**

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays**

7:15am **Immaculate Conception, Newburyport**

**Fridays**

9:00am **Nativity, Merrimac**

**Immaculate Conception, 42 Green Street, Newburyport**

**Nativity, 4 Green Street, Merrimac**

**St. Ann, 300 Main Street, West Newbury**

### Holiday Office Hours

Collaborative offices will be closed on Christmas Eve, December 24, and Christmas Day, December 25. Offices will reopen on Wednesday, December 26 at 8:00am.

Collaborative offices will close on Friday, December 28 at 12:00 noon. Offices will be closed on New Year's Eve, December 31, and New Year's Day, January 1. Offices will reopen on Wednesday, January 2 at 8:00am.

### January 1 Mass Schedule

Tuesday, January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are as follows:

**Monday, December 31**

4:00pm Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

4:00pm Nativity, Merrimac

**Tuesday, January 1**

9:00am St. Ann, West Newbury

10:00am Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

### Collaborative Website

Visit our **Collaborative Website**, [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) for up-to-date information on groups, meetings, religious ed., Mass times, and current events. Find links to our calendar, view our current and archived bulletins, link to other Catholic websites, or check out the photos section. We have so much happening.

### FORMED®

FORMED is coming for Christmas and the New Year to the parishioners of our Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative. Soon you will be receiving information on how to access this **online** resource for learning more about your Catholic faith.

FORMED On Demand is a subscription service offering access to thousands of **FORMED** studies, films, audios, and ebooks. Discover great digital media from over 40 of the best Catholic content producers including the Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, the USCCB, Catholic Answers, EWTN, St. Paul Center, Marian Press, Sophia Press, Knights of Columbus, FOCUS, and many more. Through its online platform and [free mobile apps for iOS and Android](#), FORMED has helped individuals and communities know, love, and share their Catholic faith. The Discipleship team of the Collaborative knows you will be enriched by this wonderful resource.



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# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## "Open House"

### Feast of the Holy Family



Manger scenes from families across the Collaborative and from around the world will be displayed by their owners.

Give your family the gift of an **experience** with the Holy Family as seen in 35 manger scenes!

**Free** stocking stuffer invitations (miniature scrolls) at all 3 churches (while supplies last).

**Free** door prizes.

**Free** self-directed tour of nativities presented by the parishioners who own them.

**Free** inspiration: the Holy Family depicted in terra cotta, wood, ceramic, crystal, paper, resin, plaster, or wool.

**Place:** Nativity Hall, Merrimac

**Date:** Sunday, December 30

**Time:** 1:00pm-4:00pm

{Hosted by the Adult Faith Formation Team}



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Collaborative Parishes



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## Discovering Christ

One of our Collaborative's Pastoral Plan goals is for each of us to become an ever more intentional disciple of Christ. During the 2019 Easter season, which runs from late April until early June, the Collaborative Discipleship team will offer a seven-week interactive series of video presentations known as *Discovering Christ*. Each presentation will start with a meal followed by a video talk and table discussion. The Discipleship team did a trial run of this program this fall, so we are certain you will find *Discovering Christ* to be an enriching experience of Christian community and a deepening of your relationship with the Lord. We will offer this program on the Sunday afternoons of the Easter Season at Nativity Hall in Merrimac. More information about *Discovering Christ* will be made available in the New Year. Speaking of the New Year, what a couple of great New Year's resolutions: one, planning to attend the *Discovering Christ* program and, two, becoming a more intentional disciple of Christ!

## Free Hair Cuts



Donna Koen, a parishioner and licensed hairdresser of over 30 years, is offering free hair cuts to anyone in need. She is willing to travel to your home. Her number is: (978) 998-9219. This is a service she has been offering for years for the Newburyport Housing Authority, Salvation Army, and the Sisters of Notre Dame.

She is happy to help our parishioners who are in need.

## Wishing you Christmas Blessings

## Lectio Divina

"Lectio Divina" is Latin for "Divine Reading." Don't let the title of this type of prayer deter you from taking up this practice. It simply involves reflectively reading a short passage from Scripture, meditating upon its meaning, spending time in prayer with the Lord to discern how these words of Scripture apply to your life, and resolving to act upon these words. You can pray with Lectio Divina by yourself or with others. One of our Collaborative's Pastoral Plan goals is for each of us to become an ever more intentional disciple of Christ. In praying with the Scriptures, we have the opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Lord while discerning His ever-gracious invitation to love as He loves us. Please refer to the HRIC webpage to learn about Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go to <http://www.hricatholic.org/blog/lectio-divina> or to [www.HRICatholic.org](http://www.HRICatholic.org) and click on HRIC Pastoral Plan and then click on Lectio Divina. Our weekly parish bulletin lists the daily Mass Scripture readings for that week. You can use this along with your Bible as a resource for practicing Lectio Divina. What a wonderful New Year's resolution: praying with Lectio Divina!



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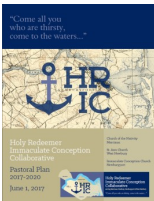
## OUR COLLABORATIVE

### What is a Collaborative?

"A collaborative is a grouping of one, two, or three parishes that work together for the goal of evangelization.

A collaborative has one pastor, one set of assigned priests and deacons, and one Pastoral Team (including Pastoral Associates, Religious Education and Faith Formation leaders, Finance and Operations specialists, and administrative and facilities personnel). All of these work together for all of the parishes of the collaborative. The collaborative has one Pastoral Council, and one Local Pastoral Plan for evangelization. The collaborative does not share money or bank accounts." (*To learn more about Collaboratives and Disciples in Mission, visit the DIM website at [disciplesinmission.com/general-questions](http://disciplesinmission.com/general-questions).*)

### Our Pastoral Plan



In June 2017, our wonderful team of volunteers completed the HRIC Pastoral Plan. This Plan outlines the purpose, vision, values, and priorities of the Collaborative of Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, and West Newbury.

The Plan represents the future of our Collaborative.

It is based on four priorities: A welcoming community, forming intentional disciples, discerning vocations, and commitment to service and ministry.

We have an active collaborative with many vibrant ministries and we would love for you to be a part of this vibrant community. See the full text of the Plan online at [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org).

### Our Collaborative

Holy Redeemer: St. Ann, W. Newbury & Nativity, Merrimac



Immaculate Conception, Newburyport



*A recent listening session in the Collaborative*

### Prayer for our Collaborative

Loving God,

Thank you for the gift of Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer.  
Enlighten us with your Holy Spirit and enrich us at the table of the Lord.

Relying upon Your grace, may we joyfully embrace our vocation  
to become ever more intentional disciples of Jesus.

Empower us today and every day of our lives to proclaim  
and bear witness to the Gospel by word and deed.

Guide us as individuals, and as a faith community, to discern the particular gifts  
You have given us to build Your Kingdom.

We humbly ask Your blessing to use these gifts to serve others.

We entrust our Collaborative family to the care  
and intercession of Mary, our Mother,  
As we strive to fulfill Jesus' commandment to  
love one another as He has loved us.

Amen



# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## 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. Contact Marin Fortune, 978-462-2724 if you would like to learn more about this program.

## Ask A Priest

For the past two summers, Collaborative members have enjoyed spending time in downtown Newburyport visiting with passers-by, posing for pictures with our cardboard Pope Francis, and offering time for conversation about anything Catholic.

Please watch the bulletin for the summer 2019 schedule and join us one evening or all six evenings for this fun ministry, or just stop by and say "hi!"

*{Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team}*



*Some photos from the 2018 "Ask A Priest" 6-week event.*

## Adult Faith Formation Team

The Adult Faith Formation Team (AFFT) is a Collaborative organization that plans lectures, trips, video presentations, etc., that offer opportunities for the adult faith community to grow in their faith. Opportunities are advertised in the bulletin.

Would you like to become a member of our team? Email Mary Schmidt to find out more.



*The "Bread of Life" lecture series this summer was sponsored by AFFT.*

## Youth SNOWCAMPS

SNOWCAMPS is a high-energy, activity-filled, spiritual growth experience weekend designed specifically for 7-8 graders and is held at Camp Brookwoods, Alton, NH. Get ready for lots of fun, friendships, music, games, and faith-sharing witness talks by teens and adults. Sign up soon for the best weekend of your life! Join the fun with the 100+ junior high kids from several different parishes throughout the Archdiocese. There are two SNOWCAMPS weekends: February 22-24 or March 1-3. To learn more or to download an application, visit [www.snowcampsparty.com](http://www.snowcampsparty.com). Contact Fr. George with questions, 978-462-2724.

## Winter Weather Mass Cancellations

Due to the hazards of travel and the safety of priests and parishioners alike, this winter daily Mass within the Collaborative will be cancelled if Immaculate Conception School, Pentucket Regional, or Newburyport Public Schools, are cancelled or delayed because of inclement weather. WBZ Channel 4 will have the updated school cancellation information. It is also available on their website at [boston.cbslocal.com](http://boston.cbslocal.com) and we will make every effort to keep our own website and social media updated as well.

In severe situations, it may also be necessary for safety reasons to cancel weekend Masses. Again, please watch WBZ or consult the websites and/or social media for cancellation information.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. In all things, God gave us the gifts of wisdom, reason, and prudence. Let's use them wisely this winter and exercise sound judgment when considering going out in severe weather.





## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### Centering Prayer

#### Welcome All Members of Our Collaborative Family

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. As God moves us closer to him, through our daily discipline of silent prayer, we find our focus turns from self to God and we are blessed with the fruits of Centering Prayer.

Join us on Wednesdays, 6:00pm–7:00pm, in the IC Conference Room 209. 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 our website at [www.hriccatholic.org/Get-Involved](http://www.hriccatholic.org/Get-Involved).



Nativity

### Pilgrimage to Ireland



Join us for an enriching journey through the Emerald Isle in 2019! We depart May 13, 2019 for a memorable pilgrimage through various sites of unparalleled beauty, historic significance, and religious importance. Our tour will include visits to Dublin, Galway, the Dingle Peninsula, Kilarney, the Ring of Kerry, Clonmacnoise, Knock, and more.

For more information, visit: [www.pilgrimages.com/fathertim-hric](http://www.pilgrimages.com/fathertim-hric) or contact Paul Blanchette at (978) 500-5661. Come on a Faith Journey with us!

### Cursillo and Ultreya

The Cursillo weekend is an invitation for you to experience the love of Jesus Christ on a personal level and to bring this love into your daily life. Many of your HRIC brothers and sisters have experienced this “short course in Christianity” at St. Basil’s Salvatorian Center in Methuen, MA and we invite you to include Cursillo as part of your faith journey.

Each month, we gather for an “Ultreya” (onward!) evening of Liturgy, sharing, food and fellowship at 7pm in St. James Chapel to continue the Cursillo spirit. All are welcome. Please join us! For more information, contact Jonathan Temple 978-809-9337 or Pat Forbes 617-899-0424.

#### Cursillo weekends 2019

January 3	Women
February 7	Men
March 7	Women
April 4	Men
May 2	Women
June 6	Women
October 3	Men
November 7	Women

#### Ultreya Evenings

January 4	February 1
March 1	March 29
April 26	May 31



Collaborative St. Vincent de Paul Walk 2018



# COLLABORATIVE NEWS



*The Collaborative priests celebrate Epiphany 2017 with Most Reverend Robert F. Hennessey, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston and Vicar General Regional Bishop, Merrimack Region.*



*Above: Fr. Bill McLaughlin celebrated his 50th anniversary of ordination to the Priesthood this year. Congratulations Fr. Bill!*



*Left: Fr. Broderick and Fr. Tim take some time to catch up.*



*Fr. George talks with students during Mass at the IC Summer Religious Ed program.*



*We welcome our new Deacon, Paul Dow, and his wife, Maureen, to our Collaborative family.*

## Parish Membership

We welcome all newcomers to our Parish communities and hope you take an active part in parish life. Registration forms are available online at [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) or you can call the Parish offices.



## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### Collaborative Strawberry/ Blueberry Dessert Festival

Last July, during Yankee Homecoming week in Newburyport, the Collaborative held its first annual Strawberry/Blueberry Festival on the front lawn of Immaculate Conception (42 Green St., Newburyport).

The Festival featured homemade biscuits, locally grown berries, and freshly whipped cream from our kitchen (yes, homemade!).

Watch the bulletin for information on next year's event.



### The Pelican Intervention Fund



The Pelican Intervention Fund is dedicated to supporting men and women on their journey from addiction to recovery. The Pelican Intervention Fund offers hope for sustained recovery for adults who live in the communities of Amesbury, Byfield, Groveland, Merrimac, Newbury, West Newbury,

Newburyport, Rowley, and Salisbury. Visit our website, [www.pelicaninterventionfund.org](http://www.pelicaninterventionfund.org) to learn more.

### Bulletin Information

Email all bulletin submissions by Monday at noon to [hricbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:hricbulletin@gmail.com).

### Celebrating the Sacraments

Contact the Collaborative offices for more information about any of the Sacraments.

#### Baptism

We offer monthly baptism classes for new parents as well as monthly baptisms.

#### Reconciliation

IC: Saturdays: 3:00pm to 3:30pm or by appointment.

HR: Saturdays before the 4:00pm Mass or by appointment.

#### First Eucharist

Our second graders celebrate First Communion every spring. Contact the HR or IC Religious Ed. directors for more information.

#### Confirmation

Confirmation at IC is celebrated in the spring. Confirmation at HR is celebrated in the fall. Contact the HR or IC Religious Ed. directors for more information.

#### Marriage

Archdiocesan guidelines request that couples planning to marry in the Church contact your Parish office 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 the Parish offices if someone is in the hospital, so that we can visit the loved one and have the community pray for them.

### Holy Jammers

The Holy Jammers is an impromptu group of musicians that meet on Wednesdays in the IC Conference Room 209, second floor, at 9:00am. Anyone is welcome. Bring your instrument.



### Fr. Broderick's Address

For anyone who would like to send a Christmas greeting to Fr. Broderick, his address is:

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Regina Cleri Residence  
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# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## Welcome to Holy Redeemer

Holy Redeemer is comprised of two churches: Church of the Nativity in Merrimac and St. Ann's Church in West Newbury. We are part of the Holy Redeemer/Immaculate Conception Collaborative. Please visit our website at [www.hricatholic.org](http://www.hricatholic.org) for our Mass schedule as well as more information on how to get involved in our vibrant community.

**HR Grand Annual  
Goal \$25,000  
To Date \$14,945.00**



## HR Religious Education

*Blessed Christmas season to all!*

All families can find registration forms, class schedules, and calendar events online at: [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org). Click on *Faith Formation*, then *Holy Redeemer* tab. Collaborative bulletins can be found on this site, too.



*First  
Communion  
time,  
Confirmation  
time,  
and  
Activity time.*



## HR Sandwich Program



The Holy Redeemer Sandwich Program delivers soup/salad and sandwiches to the Lazarus House Ministry twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. The sandwiches go to the Good Shepherd Center on Park

Street in Lawrence. 200 sandwiches are needed each day to feed the hungry. Thanks to all for your support this past year.

We are always in need of more sandwich donations. To help, please make sandwiches by using 1 loaf of bread and sandwich meat (**No condiments added**), individually wrap the sandwiches and place them back into the bread bag. Deliver the bread bag to St. Ann's Church, West Newbury, by **9:00 a.m.** on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The next sandwich delivery date is **Wednesday, January 9**. Please see the Collaborative calendar at [www.hricatholic.org](http://www.hricatholic.org) for the schedule or contact Dotty Carr at 978-363-2909 with questions.

## HR Boy Scouts

Holy Redeemer charts Boy Scout Troop 41. We meet Monday evenings in Nativity Hall, Merrimac from 7:00–8:30 p.m. Interested in joining? Contact scoutmaster, Mark Townsend. All faiths welcome.



*Scouts help with the  
HR Holiday Fair setup.*

## HR St. Vincent de Paul Society



Our Conference was able to ensure Christmas dinners for ten families. Each received a Market Basket gift card as a gift. This was possible only because of your willingness to care for others and donate to make a difference. Have a Blessed Christmas.

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.

We are always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming part of a wonderful organization, contact Dave Olds.

If you are writing a check for us, please write the check to HR Saint Vincent de Paul to help expedite our banking.



# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## Holy Redeemer Activities Committee

The **HR Activities Committee** organizes events and socials for the parishioners of Holy Redeemer Parish. Our next meeting is **Thursday, January 24 at 6:45 p.m.** in Nativity Hall. We will be meeting to plan Parish events for 2019. Please come join us. We would love to hear your ideas! Can't make the meeting? Contact Cindy Quinn at 978-346-0072. if you would like to be involved in this group or in any of our annual events. Some of our annual events include the **Holiday Fair, Ham & BINGO Night, Coffee Socials, and Raffle Night.**

## Holy Redeemer Holiday Fair

The **Holiday Fair** has been a long-running tradition at Holy Redeemer Parish. It is held the Saturday before Thanksgiving at Nativity Hall (4 Green Street, Merrimac).

Parishioners donate themed gift baskets to sell, homemade baked goods, silent auction items, nearly new items, and homemade soups for lunch. A grand raffle is held also. It is an annual event with the families of our parish. Planning starts in June. Visit the photos page on the website ([www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org)) to see more event photos.



*What a wonderful turnout for our Parish Fair. The Activities Committee would like to thank everyone who donated and attended our "Little Church Fair." We broke records!*



*The Activities Committee is happy to report to the parish that we were able to raise just over \$11,000.00. The hall was busy with people from the start.*

## HR Ham Dinner & BINGO Night

Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.



Join Holy Redeemer Parish for a fun night out: Dinner (ham, macaroni and cheese, salad, roll, and homemade pie) are included. Bingo will follow dinner. Want to help out? Join us for our organizational meeting on **Thursday, January 24 at 6:45 p.m.** at Nativity Hall, Merrimac. All are welcome.

## Holy Redeemer Raffle Night



*Raffle Night 2018*

*Mark your calendars for the 2019 Raffle night on Saturday, May 18.*



**Raffle Night** is a parish social/fundraiser held in the Spring, at the Nativity Hall (4 Green Street, Merrimac). Those attending the evening buy raffle tickets to win a variety of items. Homemade dinners are available to purchase. Planning starts in January.



# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## Saturday Vigil Masses at Holy Redeemer

Our Saturday vigil Masses at Holy Redeemer alternate every six weeks between St. Ann and Nativity. See our 2019 schedule below or visit our website calendar at [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) for the 2019 schedule.

## 2019 Holy Redeemer Parish 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass Schedule

### Nativity, Merrimac

December 29, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2

### St. Ann, West Newbury

February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16

### Nativity, Merrimac

March 23, 30, April 6, 13, \*, 27, May 4

\*No Mass on April 20—Easter Vigil Mass only at IC

### St. Ann, West Newbury

May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 8, 15

### Nativity, Merrimac

June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 20, 27

### St. Ann, West Newbury

August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, September 7

### Nativity, Merrimac

September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19

### St. Ann, West Newbury

October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

### Nativity, Merrimac

December 7, 14, 21, 28, January 4, 11

### Sunday Morning Masses

8:00 a.m. Nativity, Merrimac

10:15 a.m. St. Ann, West Newbury

## Saturday Mass at Nativity

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00pm Mass will move to **Nativity, Merrimac** on **December 29**.

## 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.



Come join us. Don't know how? We will teach you to knit or crochet and give you yarn. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 1:00pm. Our next meeting is **Thursday, January 3**.



HR Parish Spring  
Clean-up team

## Holy Quilters

We make quilts, pillowcases, hats, blankets, and so much more. We create and donate to many charitable organizations such as The Salem Pantry Backpack Program, Boys and Girls Club, Merrimack Valley Hope Mission, and many others. We meet in the Nativity Church Hall every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. and also one Saturday a month at 8:00 a.m.





# CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS



## Holy Redeemer Christmas Flowers

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# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

Immaculate Conception Parish is located in Newburyport and serves the towns of Newbury and Newburyport and is part of the Immaculate Conception / Holy Redeemer Collaborative. Visit our website at [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) for our Mass schedule as well as more information on how to get involved in our active community.

**IC Grand Annual  
Goal \$100,000  
To Date \$56,705.00**



## 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.

## Boy Scout Blood Drive



Boy Scout Troop 21 of Newburyport and the American Red Cross are teaming up to boost blood supply. Please continue supporting your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers by donating blood on **Thursday, December 27** at the Newburyport Elks Club Function Hall, 25 Low Street, Newburyport. Donor hours are 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

It takes about an hour of time—and one small pinch—to become a hero and give the “Gift of Life” to someone in need. Anyone 17 years of age or older, weighing 110 pounds or more and feeling in good health may be eligible to donate blood. To make an appointment to donate blood call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).



*The IC Children's Choir performing at the 9:00 Mass on the feast of Christ the King.*

## Immaculate Conception School



*A Savior is Born!*



*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing!*

## Adoration

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in IC's St. James Chapel on Fridays from 8:00am–12:00noon.

## IC 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. (At this time, Online Giving is available for only IC members.) Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office. Once you register, visit our website, [hriccatholic.org](http://hriccatholic.org) and click the “Links” tab, then click on “Online Giving” 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.



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## IC Haiti

IC Haiti is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit charitable organization formed by IC parishioners in 2009 that provides financial support to the rural community of Puit Chacha, Haiti, through the St. Boniface Haiti Foundation. IC Haiti built and continues to fund the Fr. Marc Piché elementary school there. In addition, it has provided a daily hot lunch program for the over two hundred school children. IC Haiti has also funded a dental program, various medical and health initiatives, and emergency relief services following devastating natural disasters. The main supporters of IC Haiti are the parishioners of Immaculate Conception parish in Newburyport, MA. Four times each year a collection is taken up at weekend Masses in support of IC Haiti's ministry to Haiti. Without the steadfast generosity of IC parishioners, IC Haiti would not be able to continue to serve the people of Puit Chacha. We are the sole supporter of the school and the other initiatives in Puit Chacha. Members of the Board of Directors of IC Haiti are conscientious volunteers who are grateful for the opportunity to serve as

stewards of this ministry of hope to the people of Haiti. Donations apart from those made during the quarterly collections may be sent to IC Haiti, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950. Please visit our website, [ICHaiti.org](http://ICHaiti.org), to learn more or to help support IC Haiti.



## IC Knitting Ministry



We meet Tuesdays at 1:00pm in the IC Parish Center, Room 209. We knit/crochet shawls, hats, mittens, and scarves for charity. Our membership is open to all. Please join us for knitting, fellowship, and tea (and goodies). If you know anyone who needs a prayer shawl or for more information please call Frances Ronan 978-462-4972 or Julia O'Connor at 978-465-3350.



## Coffee, Baked Goods Sundays



The Pastoral Plan Welcoming Priority sponsors Coffee and Baked Goods Sundays once a month at IC St. Louis Hall at 10:00 a.m. (between the 9:00 and 11:30 Masses). Join us on January 6 at 10:00am. All are invited.



## Call for Bakers



We are in need of bakers for our monthly coffee hours. This could be a good service project for a student or maybe just a way to use your "Star Baker" talents. If you would like to help, contact Maureen Catino.

## Knights of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus Newburyport Council 231 was founded in 1897. We welcome new members to this long-standing group of Catholic men. If you are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protections for you or your family, or just connecting with other Catholic men, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

Contact us at (978) 572-0231, [membership@kofc231.org](mailto:membership@kofc231.org).

The next monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Tuesday, January 8** at 7:30pm in the IC Nazareth Library, Room 205.

## The Compassionate Friends



The Compassionate Friends (TCF) 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 Parish Center Room 209 at 7:30–9:00p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month. **Our next meeting is January 28.** For more information, contact Barbara Hopkinson, 978-697-1349.

Local website: [www.tcfnewburyport.org](http://www.tcfnewburyport.org). National website: [www.compassionatefriends.org](http://www.compassionatefriends.org). A Butterfly's Journey To A New Normal (ABJ) is a separate non-profit to help a broader set of grievers. Barbara is the founder and a Certified Grief Recovery Specialist. ABJ offers group or 1-on-1 Grief Recovery Method classes as well as a free online Resource Center and more. [abutterflysjourney.org](http://abutterflysjourney.org).



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## IC Religious Education

Religious Ed. Office: 978-462-2724

### School Year Programs

Classes for Grades K–8 are held Sunday mornings from 10:05–11:05. We are always happy to enroll new students. For more information contact the Religious Ed. Office.

**Substitutes** Please consider helping us in this capacity should one of our catechists not be available. Perhaps you and another parent could co-teach?

**Classes will *not* be held Sunday, December 30.**  
**Classes will resume on Sunday, January 6.**

### Confirmation

Registrations are still being accepted for those students who wish to prepare for Confirmation. Please call the Religious Ed. Office for more information.

**Our next class is scheduled for January 27.**

### Baptism Dates to Remember

Please call the Parish Office for information regarding what is needed to **pre-register** for the next Baptism class scheduled for Sunday, January 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Our group Baptism will be celebrated on January 13.

### Reconciliation / First Eucharist

Our group Reconciliation will take place **Saturday, January 5 at 11:00am** for those students preparing for the reception of this sacrament.

Please contact the Religious Ed. Office for more information.



*Confirmation, Summer Religious Ed., Summer Mission Week,*



*and First Communion*

## ICP Boosters

Our mission is to be an extra support of funding for our parish ministries as well as community spirit. We welcome new members. Contact Melinda Burrell.

*A Christmas Fair was held in December*



*and a yard sale was held in September.*

## Newburyport VIP Card

Pick up a **free 2018 Newburyport VIP Card** and a discounts list from the table in the back of the church. The VIP Card helps raise money for Immaculate Conception Church and gives you discounts at 180 Greater Newburyport restaurants and retailers. Use the 2018 card for free until the end of the year and if you are interested in purchasing 2019 Cards for yourself or as a gifts, **place an order at:** <https://www.newburyport.com/immaculate-conception-church/>  
**Questions:** [VIPcard@Newburyport.com](mailto:VIPcard@Newburyport.com)



## 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 the IC 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.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### Food Markets for Those Seeking Assistance

Please call ahead for details and/or possible restrictions. Phone numbers and locations are at [www.hriccatholic.org/local-food-pantries---markets](http://www.hriccatholic.org/local-food-pantries---markets).

#### Monday Markets

**1–4 pm** The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**9–11 am** every other Monday, West Newbury Food Pantry

#### Tuesday Markets

**9 am–3:30 pm** Community Action, Amesbury  
**9 am–2 pm** Pettengill House, Salisbury  
**10 am–noon** Rowley Food Pantry  
**11 am–2 pm** 2nd Tuesday of month The Salvation Army  
**4–6 pm** Pettengill House, Salisbury

#### Wednesday Markets

**10 am–4 pm** The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**12–3 pm** Our Neighbors Table, Amesbury

#### Thursday Markets

**11 am–6 pm** Community Action, Amesbury  
**1–5 pm** The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**3–6 pm** Our Neighbors Table, Amesbury  
**5:30–7:00 pm** Rowley Food Pantry

#### Friday Markets

**9 am–noon** Our Neighbors Table, Amesbury  
**3–5 pm** First Parish Community Pantry

#### Saturday Markets

**9 am–noon** Our Neighbors Table, Amesbury  
**9:30–10:30 am** 1st and 3rd Saturdays, Merrimac Mobile Food Pantry

### Archdiocese Web Site

Visit [www.bostoncatholic.org](http://www.bostoncatholic.org) for the latest news and information around the Archdiocese of Boston.

### EWTN: Catholic News

For the latest Catholic news, EWTN News has you covered. Check daily for news about the Catholic Church and the latest issues in Catholicism. EWTN News: Your Online Catholic Resource. [www.ewtnnews.com/](http://www.ewtnnews.com/)

### All Care Hospice

Did you know that All Care Hospice provides free grief support services to the community and volunteer opportunities to support our hospice program? To learn more about our grief groups and workshops, please contact our Bereavement Coordinator at 781-244-1198. Registration is mandatory for all programs. To learn more about volunteer opportunities in our office providing administrative support or with our patients and families providing companionship, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator at 781-244-1129. Opportunities available close to home! Visit our website, [allcare.org](http://allcare.org) to download a volunteer form.

### 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.

### Local Free Meals for Those Seeking Assistance

Please call ahead for details and/or possible restrictions. Phone numbers and locations are at [www.hriccatholic.org/local-food-pantries---markets](http://www.hriccatholic.org/local-food-pantries---markets).

#### Monday Meals

**9 am** Coffee and Danish, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**11 am** Lunch, Greek Orthodox Church, Newburyport  
**5–6 pm** Dinner, St. Paul's Church, Newburyport

#### Tuesday Meals

**9 am** Coffee and Danish, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**11 am–12:30 pm** Lunch, St. Paul's Church, Newburyport  
**5 pm** Dinner, Immaculate Conception Church, Newburyport

#### Wednesday Meals

**9 am** Coffee and Danish, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**11 am** Lunch, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**4–6 pm**, Main Street Congregational Church, Amesbury

#### Thursday Meals

**9 am** Coffee and Danish, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**5 pm** Dinner, The Salvation Army, Newburyport

#### Friday Meals

**9 am** Coffee and Danish, The Salvation Army, Newburyport  
**11 am–12:30 pm** Lunch, St. Paul's Church, Newburyport

#### Saturday Meals

**8–10 am** Breakfast, Central Congregational Church, Nbpt.  
 Dinner Delivery for Pettengill Clients (once/month)

### Cor Unum Ministry

Cor Unum Meal Center, located in South Lawrence at St. Patrick Church, is in need of volunteers to serve meals to the poor.

Immaculate Conception and Holy Redeemer Parishes serve breakfast to the poor of Lawrence on the first Saturday of every month. Volunteers meet in the IC parking lot at 5:00am on Saturday morning. The Center serves breakfast from 6:00am to 8:00am. If you are able to give a few hours of your time serving this meal, please contact Larry Lambert at (978) 462-4842 for further information.