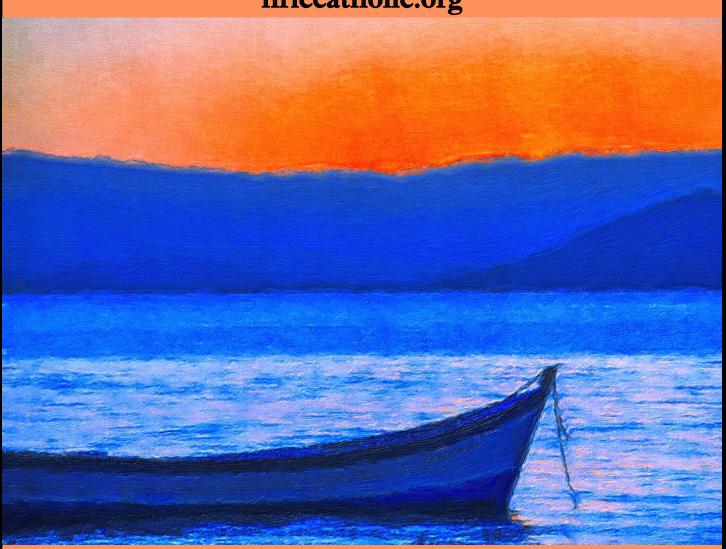
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

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"Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.' When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him." (Lk 5:11)

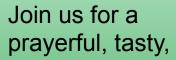
All Are Welcome

Ireland Travel Night

Monday, February 11

6:30pm Mass at IC St. James Chapel

Irish Dinner and Pilgrimage information to follow in IC Charity Dining Room



and informative evening about our next Pilgrimage to Ireland that will leave Monday, May 13 for a memorable spiritual

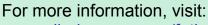
> journey through the Emerald Isle.

This will be a spectacular pilgrimage through various sites of unparalleled beauty, historic significance, and religious importance.

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Collaborative Mass Schedule

Saturday (2/9)

4:00pm **IC** Loretta V. Minalio, James Murray (Fr. McLaughlin)

4:00pm St. Ann (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

Sunday (2/10)

7:15am IC Mary Reilly, Mary S. Carlin Herlihy (Fr. McLaughlin)

8:00am Nativity (Fr. Morin)

9:00am IC Christina Siedler (Fr. Harrison)

10:15am **St. Ann** Deceased Members of the DiResta Family (Fr. Morin)

11:30am IC (Fr. Harrison)

Monday (2/11)

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

Tuesday (2/12)

7:15am IC Regina M. Stronge, Ruth A. Braley, Johnathan Perry (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (2/13)

7:15am IC Patrick Murray (Fr. Morin)

Thursday (2/14)

7:15am IC Marguerite Manseau (Fr. Morin)

Friday (2/15)

9:00am Nativity (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am IC School Liturgy (Fr. Morin)

10:30am Port Rehab (Fr. McLaughlin)

Saturday (2/16)

4:00pm **IC** Michael & Lucy Lombardo, Kelly Martin, Francis X. Babineau, Ted LoPreste, The Messina Family (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm St. Ann (Fr. George)

Sunday (2/17)

7:15am **IC** Michael Stone & Patrick O'Keefe (Fr. George)

8:00am Nativity (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am **IC** *Phyllis Packer, Lawrence Lofaro* (Fr. McLaughlin)

10:15am **St. Ann** *The McCann Family* (Fr. Harrison)

11:30am IC Jeanne Baughn, Robert Kealey, Johnathan Perry (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers, please remember Helena Thurlow and 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 Parishioners,

Wow, did Jesus ever have a nerve! Can you imagine going up to a group of professional fishermen and telling them how to fish? A group of hardened men who had just spent the whole night on the



boat, sweating, straining with the nets, working the oars... and Jesus says simply, put out into deep water, now, for a catch? It's no wonder they didn't dump him into the water and then chase him down the beach! I spent nearly ten years ministering to the people of Gloucester and Cape Ann, and the real-life fishermen I know are among the toughest and strongest men (and women!) I've ever met. I wouldn't dream of telling them how or when or where to go fishing! It would not be worth my life!

Of course, the point here isn't that Jesus knew anything about fishing or was looking to branch out from his carpentry business. The overwhelming catch of fish is one of many signs that were offered of the over-abundance of God's blessing on those who open their hearts to His Son. God's Kingdom is one of abundance, and when we participate in the work that Jesus gives us, we will experience an amazing amount of grace that will be harvested, even from the most meager of efforts or design.

Both Isaiah and Simon Peter know their unworthiness to be in the presence of true holiness, yet both are cleansed and called to bear witness to the new things that God was doing in their midst. You and I are similarly called in our own day to be part of this mission of spreading the Good News. Maybe we feel unworthy, overburdened by sin and failure, lacking in imaginationm or stumbling along with no purpose or direction. We ought never let these feelings be the last word nor think that this is how God looks at us. God never chose those who were perfect to serve Him. In fact, if we look closely at the Scriptures, God seems to have a soft

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"The Mass" DVD Series

Whatever You Know about the Mass, It's Not This!

Bishop Barron's 6-part DVD on "The Mass" will keep you saying, "I didn't know that!" Experience superb preaching, imagery, music, and the wealth of our liturgy's sacred Tradition. Enter into the Mass's call-and-response in a more profound grasp of the sacred mysteries we take for granted. Sessions will be offered Thursdays (7:00–8:30 p.m.) at Nativity Hall, Merrimac. **Free** and life-changing! Highly recommended lessons marked *.

February 14: God Speaks Our Story

February 21: Responding to God*

February 28: Preparing for Sacrifice

March 7: The Real Presence Creates Communion* {Facilitated by Fr. Morin and the Adult Faith Formation Team}

This Week in Our Collaborative

Visit <u>hriccatholic.org</u> to view our online calendar.

Monday, February 11

AA Meeting 10:30am, IC St. Louis Hall

HR Activities Committee Meeting 6:30pm, St. Ann Hall

Ireland Travel Night Mass/Dinner 6:30pm, IC St. James Chapel/ Charity Dining Room

HR Boy Scouts Troop 41 Meeting 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Tuesday, February 12

Reunion Prayer Group 9:00am, IC Conference Room 209

IC Knitting Ministry 1:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

Breaking Bread Meal 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

HR Religious Ed., Grades 7 & 8 6:00pm, Nativity Hall

IC St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

HR St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00pm, Nativity Rectory

Knights of Columbus 7:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205

Wednesday, February 13

HR Sandwich Program 9:00am, St. Ann Hall

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

Pivotal Players Video Series 10:00am, IC Charity Dining Room

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, February 14

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

"The Mass" Video Series 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Friday, February 15

Adoration 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel

AA Meeting 7:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Saturday, February 16

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

Sunday, February 17

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 7:45am, Nativity Church

HR Coffee Social 9:00am, Nativity Hall

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

Questions of the Week



Adult: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

Child: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

Bulletin Information

Email all bulletin submissions by Monday at noon to <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/j.jcp.10.2016/j

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spot for those who are flawed, broken, and unwashed. Over and over again, God uses us imperfect human beings to be the bearers of a message of salvation. This message is aimed squarely at those who were thought to be outside of God's favor, those who had missed the mark and fallen short of God's glory. It is a magnificent story of hope flourishing where none was thought to exist. And we are called to play a starring role!

So, the next time you "spend all night fishing without catching anything and are about to hang up your nets in frustration," beware of the perfect stranger who wanders into your life and gently suggests a new direction. It just might be the Lord, inviting you to be a part of something truly amazing!

Wishing you and your family new life in the midst of midwinter chill.

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

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February 13: Augustine, the Teacher who shows that faith in Jesus changes a person and sometimes a whole world.

February 20: Michelangelo, the Artist who leads with Beauty so all have access to God.

February 27: G.K. Chesterton, the Evangelist who shows that JOY is the fundamental disposition of evangelization.

{Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team}

Mass Scripture Readings: February 10–17, 2019

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.hriccatholic.org/blog/lectio-divina or to www.HRICcatholic.org and click on HRIC Pastoral Plan and then click on Lectio Divina.

- Sunday, Feb. 10: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11
- Monday, Feb. 11: Genesis 1:1-19; Psalm 104; Mark 6:53-56
- Tuesday, Feb. 12: Genesis 1:20-2:4a; Psalm 8; Mark 7:1-13
- Wednesday, Feb. 13: Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Psalm 104; Mark 7:14-23
- Thursday, Feb. 14: Genesis 2:18-25; Psalm 128; Mark 7:24-30
- Friday, Feb. 15: Genesis 3:1-8; Psalm 32; Mark 7:31-37
- Saturday, Feb. 16: Genesis 3:9-24; Psalm 90; Mark 8:1
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- Sunday, Feb. 17: Jeremiah 17:5-8; Psalm 1; 1
 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26

Adult Faith Formation Team Lenten Events

Save the Dates

4th Annual Lenten Soup and Spirit Lecture Series will focus on "The 7 Deadly Sins and 7 Lively Virtues" presented twice for your convenience: Thursday evenings at Nativity Hall (March 14–April 18) and again Friday mornings at IC St. Louis Hall (March 15–April 19).

4th Annual Collaborative Lenten Mission, repeat guest presenter **Fr. Michael Aiello** and hosted at IC (March 25–27) is certain to be uplifting!

Ukrainian Egg Workshop (offered for **adults** only) will accent an ancient Catholic tradition of painting eggs with elaborate designs and rich dyes. Experienced facilitators. Fee charged. Seating limited to 24 participants. Saturday, April 6 (9:30am—noon) at IC St. Louis Hall, Newburyport.

R.C.I.A.

RCIA classes meet at 10:15, IC Parish Center, G19

The R.C.I.A. program is for people interested in joining the Catholic Church and/or learning about the Catholic faith. Anyone over the age of seven who wishes to become baptized, or has been baptized in another Christian Church, and/or is interested in the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation is welcome. If you have a friend or family member who might be interested, please have them contact Marin Fortune: 978-462-2724.

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

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

Ultreya Evenings

March 1	March 29
April 26	May 31



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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 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.



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 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.

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.

Parish Membership

We welcome all newcomers to our Parish communities and hope you take an active part in parish life. Please introduce yourself and register in the parish. Forms are available online at www.hriccatholic.org or you can call the Parish offices.

Offertory Envelopes

You can attend Mass at any worship site in our Collaborative and use your usual offertory envelope. Drop it in the collection and we will deliver it to your home Parish.

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.

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. Contact Fr. George with questions, 978-462-2724.

Archdiocese Web Site

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HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

Holy Redeemer Raffle Night

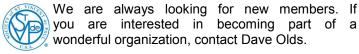
Save the Date: May 18



Holy Redeemer will hold Raffle Night on Saturday, May 18 at Nativity Hall. Join us for dinner and raffles. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Watch the bulletin for details and for ways you can help out.

HR St. Vincent de Paul Society



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 Dinner & BINGO Night

February 23, 5:00 p.m.



Join Holy Redeemer Parish for a fun night out. Ham dinner, including homemade mac and cheese, green beans, roll, and homemade apple crisp, is included. Tickets are \$8 each. Four bingo games will follow dinner. Bingo cards are \$1 each. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Want to help out? Join us for our organizational meeting on **Monday, February 11** at 6:30 p.m. at St. Ann Hall, W. Newbury. All are welcome.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

Offertory February 2-3 \$3,676.00 Fuel \$1,763.00

The second collection **this** weekend is the Monthly.

A gentle reminder to all parishioners as we move through winter weather: Church expenses don't go down on snowy weekends. Instead, in addition to ongoing expenses for salaries, utilities, and supplies, they often increase with additional costs for plowing and snow removal. So, even if you make a good decision to stay home during inclement weather, please consider making up your weekend offertory collection(s) the following week. Your church's budget will thank you!

HR Grand Annual Goal \$25,000 To Date \$20,145.00



Coffee After Mass

Please join us for a coffee social on Sunday, **February 17** after the 8:00 Mass in the Nativity Church Hall. A great time to catch up with your parish family or maybe meet a new friend!



Activities Committee Meeting

The activities committee will meet on Monday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Ann Hall, West Newbury. We will be making our final plans for our ham dinner on February 23 at Nativity. Join us if you would like to help out.

Activities Committee Open Enrollment

Sign up with **no fee!** Our group organizes the **social events** of our Parish and, if we are lucky, we make some money. Come check us out at our next meeting, **Monday, February 11 at 6:30pm at St. Ann Hall**. All are welcome to join.

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**, **March 7**.

HR Religious Education

Sun., 2/10 Grades 3-6 classes 9:00-10:00 a.m. at

Nativity Hall

Grade 9 class 6:00–7:30 p.m. at

Nativity Hall

Tues., 2/12 Grades 7 & 8 classes 6:00-7:30 p.m. at

Nativity Hall

Grade 9: Mark your calendars now: **Sandwich Making** for Merrimack Valley Hope Mission. Thursday evening, Feb. 21, at St. Ann Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. Students will be asked to donate food items before the event. More details to follow.

All families can find registration forms, class schedules, and calendar events online at: hriccatholic.org. Click on Faith Formation, then Holy Redeemer tab. Collaborative bulletins can be found on this site, too.

Lenten Food Drive

We will be having a food drive during Lent to benefit the senior centers. We will start collecting donations from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday. We will be collecting nonperishable dry goods, canned goods and gift certificates to local markets. (Please check expiration dates.) Donations may be left in the backs of both churches.

EWTN: Catholic News

Want the latest Catholic News? EWTN News has got you covered. Check this link daily for news about the Catholic Church, and the latest issues in Catholicism. EWTN News: Your Online Catholic Resource.

www.ewtnnews.com/

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.

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 Church, West Newbury, by **9:00 a.m.** on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The next sandwich delivery date is **Wednesday**, **February 13**.

See the Collaborative calendar at www.hriccatholic.org for the schedule. Contact Dotty Carr at 978-363-2909 with questions.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

Offertory February 2–3 Restoration/Renovation

\$9,778.00 \$1,546.00

The second collection **this** weekend is the Monthly. The second collection **next** weekend is St. Vincent de Paul. **Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul.**

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IC Grand Annual Goal \$100,000 To Date \$75,065.00



The Saint Vincent de Paul Society



Collection Poor Box Total \$ 40.00 \$ 98.00 \$138.00

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 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.

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.

Immaculate Conception School

Catholic Schools Week celebrations at the IC concluded



with a pep rally to officially kick off the basketball season. One hundred and four students in grades 4–8 participate in our basketball program, playing area schools competitively. Lessons of teamwork, discipline, hard work, and humility are valuable learning

experiences for our students. The IC also has a program for younger students to introduce them to the game, develop skills, and give them a sense of teamwork.



Pictured here are grade 8 Varsity Captains, whose leadership in the classroom carries over to the basketball court. Left to right: Jack D., Will T., Anna A., Callie B., and Alex P.

ICS Calendar Winners

Congratulations to the 2018–2019 ICS Calendar winners. Thank you to parents, students and our community who helped support this fundraiser to make it a success.

Roland & Gail Dion 12/23/18 Jason Gaskill 12/24/18 Steve Pappalardo 12/25/18 Janet Ciccone 12/26/18 lan Keefe 12/27/18 Chris & Melissa Bromby 12/28/18 Morgan Boddy 12/29/18 Patty & Kurt Mee 12/30/18 Steve Swochak 12/31/18 Mary Bragg 01/01/19 Charlie Cullen 01/02/19 Kathy Boothroyd 01/03/19 Jo Minalio 01/04/19 Sharon Lucier 01/05/19 Helena Sardinha 01/06/19 Melissa Moore 01/07/19 Linda Roberts 01/08/19 Audra Dion 01/09/19 Eleanor Sabalbaro 01/10/19 Jen Finch 01/11/19 Susan Werner 01/12/19

Cole Bowen 01/13/19 Susan Dow 01/14/19 Marshall D'Avanzo 01/15/19 Natalie Brown 01/16/19 Tricia Hussey 01/17/19 Patsy & Pete Sharkey 01/18/19 Kelli Webster 01/19/19 Bill & Sandy Faircloth 01/20/19 Ann Myers 01/21/19 Marcia Foley 01/22/19 Jane Buxbaum 01/23/19 Richard Valentine 01/24/19 Laura Rojas 01/25/19 James & Valerie Gaito 01/26/19 Anthony Davis 01/27/19 Mr. & Mrs. C.S.H. Little 01/28/19 Clementine Valentine 01/29/19 Roel Sabalbaro 01/30/19 George Fraley 01/31/19 Kim Aziz 02/01/19

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?

Due to the upcoming **February school vacation week**, we *will not* be having any classes Sunday, **February 17** or Sunday, **February 24.** Our next class will be Sunday, March 3.

Confirmation

For those students who anticipate receiving the sacrament this Fall, please note that Confirmation will take place on **Sunday, September 22** here at IC. More information will be provided as details become available.

Baptism Dates to Remember

Please keep in mind that there are no Baptism classes scheduled until after the celebration of Easter which is April 21 this year.

Please call the Parish office for information regarding the next **Baptism class** scheduled for **Sunday**, **May 5** with the sacrament scheduled to be celebrated on May 12.

Reconciliation / First Eucharist

Anyone preparing for First Eucharist who was not baptized here at IC, and has not as yet provided a copy of their child's baptismal certificate, please do so as soon as possible.

If unsure whether or not we have it, please, check with us in the Religious Ed office.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Newburyport Council 231 was founded in 1897. 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.

We welcome new members to this long-standing group of Catholic men. For more information, contact us at (978) 572-0231, membership@kofc231.org.

The next monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Tuesday**, **February 12** at 7:30pm in the IC Nazareth Library, Room 205.

Adoration

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

IC Knitting Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Knitting Group meets Tuesdays at 1:00pm in Room 209 in the IC Parish Center. We knit/crochet prayer shawls,

hats, mittens, scarves for charity.

Come join us; we meet every Tuesday at 1:00pm. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call Julia O'Connor 978-465-3350 or Frances Ronan 978-462-4972.

Our Neighbors' Table

Our Neighbors' Table would like to announce that we've opened a new market in Newburyport—so come and shop with us for free.

The ONT Newburyport Market is open Thursdays from 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

We are located at Community Service of Newburyport, 35 Summer Street, in the lower level of St. Paul's Church. For your convenience we have several saved on-street parking spots in front of the market.

Each ONT location offers a beautiful, modern market where fresh, healthy food is made available to anyone in need—at no charge! There are no income requirements, just bring an ID with you.

We look forward to showing you around our Newburyport Market. If you have any further questions call Our Neighbors' Table at 978-388-1907.

Pre-Planning/At-Need Burial Space

Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue. St. Mary's 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.

IC Liturgical Ministers

All liturgical ministers must fill out a CORI every year for us to submit to the Archdiocese. We are still missing some minister's CORIs. If you have not yet filled out your CORI, please complete and submit the form to the Parish Office as soon as possible as they are past due. Forms are available in the church sacristy.

Also, be aware that the Archdiocese **will not** accept copies so please submit your form in person or by mail.

Remember when submitting your CORI form by mail, a picture ID must also be submitted for verification purposes.