## HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 20, 2022



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All Are Welcome

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

(Lk 23:42-43)

Wooden carving from grave marker in Oberammergau, Germany

## THANKSGIVING WEEKEND!

ALL ARE WELCOME

# New England Tenors

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 2:00 P.M.



IC CHURCH,
NEWBURYPORT

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AND AT THE DOOR ON NOV. 27

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CHRIST THE KING NOVEMBER 20, 2022

## **COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

#### **Mass Schedule**

**Saturday (11/19)** 

4:00pm IC Paul F. Doyle, Ann Lyons (Fr. Stanley)

4:00pm Nativity Leonard Desmaris (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (11/20)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am IC Sandy Lambert (Fr. Stanley &

Deacon Dow)

10:00am St. Ann Jerry Mullen (Fr. Harrison)

11:30am IC Christina Baxter Gallo (Fr. McLaughlin

& Deacon Moranski)

Monday (11/21)

9:00am IC (Fr. Harrison)

**Tuesday (11/22)** 

9:00am IC Margaret Childs, Arthur Lipinski

(Fr. McLaughlin)

Wednesday (11/23)

9:00am IC (Fr. McLaughlin)

Thursday (11/24) Thanksgiving Day

8:00am IC (Fr. Stanley)

Friday (11/25)

9:00am IC (Fr. McLaughlin)

**Saturday (11/26)** 

4:00pm IC Robert Cynewski, Connie Bucci

(Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

4:00pm Nativity (Fr. McLaughlin)

**Sunday (11/27)** 

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

9:00am IC (Fr. McLaughlin)

10:00am St. Ann Jerry Mullen (Fr. Stanley &

Deacon Dow)

11:30am IC Alan Chu (Fr. Harrison & Deacon

Moranski)

In your prayers please remember Linda A. O'Keefe and all the faithful departed.

The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.

IC-Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

Saturday Vigil Mass is broadcast online through our website: <a href="https://doi.org/nicethle.org">https://doi.org/nicethle.org/niceth

## **Thanksgiving Office Hours**

Collaborative offices will close at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, November 23 and will be closed all day on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25. Offices will reopen on Monday, November 28 at 9:00 a.m.

#### Thanksgiving Day Mass

Please note that Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be held at IC Church at 8:00 a.m. (note different time).

#### **Adoration**

There will be no Adoration at IC church on Thanksgiving Day, November 24 or the Friday after Thanksgiving, November 25.

#### From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

On our most recent pilgrimage to Oberammergau, Germany for the Passion Play, I had a few quiet moments to wander around the bucolic Bavarian mountain village that is its host. Breathtaking vistas of crisp



greenery, crystal clear blue skies, and jagged mountain peaks surrounded us everywhere we went. I was on sensory overload from spending time inside the Church of St. Peter in the town center, overwhelmed by the late baroque or rococo gilded style, which was described by our tour guide as "make-up on the make-up." To say that it was overdone was a bit of an understatement! So, I found myself drifting through the small cemetery that surrounded the church, impressed by the care and attention that the parishioners and townspeople gave to its upkeep. I later learned that in Germany, people mostly rented their graves, with relatives paying to keep their loved-ones interred in a particular plot. If the lease runs out or no one was willing to pay, the grave is then "recycled" for a new occupant and their family with the skeletal remains removed to a common ossuary. I imagine that this practice does tend to encourage good relations between the generations. Be kind to your grandchildren, or else!

But this simple cemetery was filled with deep expressions of faith and hope in the life of heaven and God's promises of mercy. Inscribed in German beneath one hand-carved scene of the crucifixion was the surrendering phrase, "Herr dein Wille geschehe," that is, "Lord, thy will be done!" But it was the wood carving of the resurrected Christ on one grave, pictured on our bulletin cover, that stuck with me. With its world-famous Passion Play and also known in its own right as a world-renown home to some of the finest hand-carved statues and cuckoo clocks that you will find anywhere, it might not be all that surprising that one would find beautifully carved images of the Lord in the local cemetery. But it was the serene and all-knowing look that caught my eye in this image—a scene that one could imagine happening the moment after Jesus' death on the cross when He would welcome the "good thief" who had been crucified with Him into the promised paradise of Heaven.

This weekend, we complete our journey through the liturgical cycle of readings and end, once again, where we

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#### 2nd Collection November 20

#### Retired Religious Sisters

Today's second collection is used to assist religious communities to provide for the retirement and health care needs of Sisters who have served in the Archdiocese. Please take this opportunity to say thank you to the Sisters who have served the Church of Boston so generously for so many years. Your contribution does make a difference. For more information, please contact the Delegate for Religious at 617-746-5637.

## **COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

#### This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, November 21

AA Meeting 10:30am, IC St. Louis Hall
Cub Scout Pack 26 Mtg. 4:00pm, St. Ann Hall
Laudato Si Lecture Series 6:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall
Women at the Well Mtg. 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Tuesday, November 22

Breaking Bread Takeout-Only Meal 4:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall IC Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm, IC Church

Wednesday, November 23

Collaborative offices close at 12:00 noon Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, *IC Nazareth Library* 

Thursday, November 24, Thanksgiving Day

Collaborative offices closed

Friday, November 25

Collaborative offices closed

Saturday, November 26

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, November 27

RCIA Mtg. 9:30am, IC Parish Center, G19 RCIC Mtg. 10:00am, IC Parish Center NE Tenors Concert 2:00pm, IC Church

To schedule your group's in-person meeting, contact Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to reserve your space.

## **HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program**

#### Next delivery is November 23



The HRIC Collaborative Soup & Sandwich Program (formerly the HR Sandwich Program) is asking for volunteers to help make sandwiches for the Lazarus House Ministry. We deliver on the second and fourth Wednesdays of

the month. Thank you to all who have been donating since we started up again. We are delivering over 150 sandwiches every date, and are now bringing 5 gallons of soup.

Any questions please contact Jill:  $\underline{dobsondolls@aol.com}$  or  $\underline{Tom@grellafinancial.com}$ .

#### Laudato Si Series

The last meeting of the Laudato Si series 2022 calendar year is planned for **Monday**, **November 21 at 6:30 p.m.** in IC St. Louis Hall.

The speaker will be from Black Earth Compost, a local company which reduces environmental impact by collecting food and other waste and recycling it into high quality compost for use in commercial landscaping and home gardening. A fascinating business model we would all learn about .

Save the date! We look forward to seeing you all there. Bring a friend; all are welcome.

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began—with Christ, the Word of God, who is the King of the Universe, welcoming us into the promise of Heaven. The Kingdom of Heaven is unlike any earthly kingdom that would be secured by a fortress or military strength. Rather, it is defended by the glory that is God, enlightened by His holiness and thoroughly laid out by the true and lasting majesty that is the Lords'. We are profoundly privileged to be welcomed into this realm through our common Baptism into the mystery of Christ, and made co-heirs to the joys of everlasting life with God, simply because of God's mercy poured out onto us through Christ. This gift we have received is unmerited in every way, and beyond measure or value. Our only proper response is gratitude and a life lived out in imitation of the One who first loved us.

No matter how much gilding or "make-up" we might try and use in this world to express the glory that is God's alone, all of our earthly efforts will fall short. Only the utter austerity of human love lived to its fullness comes close to reflecting back the glory that we are called to in Christ. No matter where you go, no matter what beauty might capture your eyes, no matter how magnificent the things of this world can ever seem, always remember that they pale in comparison to the true majesty of Christ our King. In Him, we find life. May His will be done!

Thanksgiving Blessings to all!

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

## Sicily Pilgrimage



We are beginning preparations for an upcoming pilgrimage to Sicily and the Amalfi Coast of Italy with an optional extension tour to Loretto and Rome in October 2023. We

are hosting an information night on Monday, November 28 in St. Louis Hall in the Immaculate Conception Pastoral Center for anyone interested in finding out more about this awesome adventure. We will begin with Mass at 6:00 p.m. in St. James Chapel and move to the hall for light refreshments and a short presentation on the trip. For more information, please contact Paul Blanchette at (978) 500-5661 or go to pilgrimages.com/fathertim-hric/.

## **Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina**

We welcome all members of our Collaborative community to join us each Wednesday 6:00–7:00 p.m. via Zoom for 30 minutes of Centering Prayer, silently resting in God and surrendering and assenting to God's presence and action in our lives, and 30 minutes of reading Sacred Scripture in group Lectio Divina. Both practices strengthen our faith and reliance on God and deepen our personal relationship with God. For more information, please call Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483.

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## **COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

#### **IC Haiti**

May the Lord continue to bless our ongoing efforts to support the people of Haiti. We thank Him for offering us a ministry of service to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you would like to contribute to IC Haiti, please mail checks to IC Haiti, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA. 01950. Checks should be made out to "IC Haiti."

## Celtic Advent Personal Directed Retreat

As Advent draws near, consider allowing the beauty, power, and wisdom of Celtic spirituality to support and enrich this season of preparation, waiting, and longing for a deeper relationship with God. Celtic Spirituality embraces and responds to humans' yearning for an intimate relationship with their God. Its practices, prayers, poems, and view of life affirm God is good and loving, always present, and seeking to encounter us.

Celtic spirituality celebrates the essential goodness of all God's creations. Encounters with God are grace filled times that heal human hearts and restore us to our original simplicity where we can rest in God. Such transformation requires we remain attentive to God's presence within us and available in all creation. An Advent enriched by Celtic spirituality may heighten your attentiveness to God's loving presence and awaken your senses, the threshold of the divine, to hear God whispering in your heart, and encounter Him as He seeks you in daily life.

Our Celtic Advent retreat will open November 27 and close December 21. I will provide information, reflections, and poetry and prayers that reveal the beauty, power, and wisdom of Celtic Spirituality for prayer and reflection and meet with you for four one-hour individual sessions of Spiritual Direction during Advent as we are led by the Holy Spirit.

Readings from *Celtic Advent* by David Cole will also provide material for reflection and discussion. Cole encourages us, "As we begin the journey of Advent start by setting your heart in the right direction." We will explore the direction and focus of your journey at our first session.

You may schedule direction sessions throughout Advent as desired and at your own pace. We will meet via telephone or Zoom on a day and time convenient for you.

This offering is designed to provide an affordable, convenient, safe retreat and create an intimate space for you to share yourself deeply with the Holy Spirit.

#### **Retreat Opens November 27**

**Retreat Closes: December 21** 

Four one-hour Spiritual Direction sessions are scheduled at your convenience and at your pace.

Spiritual Director: Elizabeth McCarthy, Certified Spiritual Director. Please Call (978) 462-7483 to register or for additional information.

Suggested donation: \$85.00

#### The Sacrament of the Sick

The **Anointing of the Sick** is one of the seven Sacraments of our Church and is administered by a priest for healing and inner wholeness. Those who are seriously ill, elderly, or are entering the hospital can request to be anointed. Due to varied schedules and availability, it may not always be possible for a priest to come on short notice to offer the Sacrament, therefore it is strongly recommended that you request the Anointing of the Sick before going in for a hospital stay, upon entering a nursing home, or at the beginning of hospice care. Please call Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to learn more.

## **Prayers for the Sick**

May the comfort and healing of Christ embrace all in our Collaborative who are suffering from illness, especially:

Priscilla Brown
Cindy Calcina
Bill Crounse
Ann-Margaret Ferrante
Jeanine Ebacher Fowler
Charmaine Haan
Hillar Haan
Jay Hanslig

Terence Healey Sam Kitchen Maureen Russell Rob Schweizer Yvonne Sloban Tom Tribble Michael Tucker

Contact the Collaborative offices to add someone to or remove someone from our prayer list: 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604.

#### **Snow Removal Volunteers**



We are looking for **volunteers to assist with snow removal** at all 3 churches, the rectories, and the IC school this winter. If you are interested in helping us out, please call Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to learn more.

## Follow Us on Instagram



#### **Collaborative Faith Formation**

All Faith Formation schedules and registration forms are posted on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

#### School Year Programs (Grades K-10)

School year Faith Formation and Sacramental preparation schedules and registration forms are available on the website at (<a href="https://hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation">hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation</a>). Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron (<a href="mailto:agiard@hriccatholic.org">agiard@hriccatholic.org</a>) or Melinda (<a href="mailto:burrell@hriccatholic.org">burrell@hriccatholic.org</a>).

#### **Baptism**

We have resumed our schedule of celebrating this sacrament the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at the IC Church. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information.

## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

## **IC Offertory Collection**

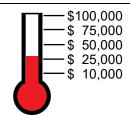
IC Offertory, Nov. 12–13 \$5,634.00
Monthly \$ 928.00
Mailed in Offertory, week ending Nov. 11 \$ 765.00
Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$3,825.59

The second collection this weekend (Nov 20) is Retired Religious Sisters. (See page 3 for details.). The Thanksgiving collection is St. Vincent de Paul Society. The second collection next weekend (Nov. 27) is IC Mission Appeal. Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to Immaculate Conception Parish with the second collection noted in the memo.

If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to Immaculate Conception Parish, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

You can also sign up for online giving. Visit our website to learn more: hriccatholic.org/IC-Online-Giving.

IC Grand Annual Goal \$100,000 To Date \$27,165.00



## Remembering Those Who Have Died

November has traditionally been a month in the Church's liturgical calendar when we are called to pray for the dead and confront our own mortality. Over the years, parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish have embraced a beautiful custom of remembering loved ones who have passed through the creation of a small shrine for the dead. During the month of November until the beginning of Advent, parishioners are invited to place a small picture of their deceased loved one on the side altar near the baptismal font and ambry. Together as a community of faith, let's pray for those who have passed, that they may experience the fullness of the Heavenly Kingdom where we hope to one day join with them at the eternal banquet table.

## **Knights of Columbus**



All men of the Collaborative, 18 years or older, are welcome to join the Knights.

We meet the second Tuesday of each month in the IC Nazareth Library.

For more information about our meetings or to join the Knights, call 978-225-0804 or email <a href="mailto:kofc231@gmail.com">kofc231@gmail.com</a>.

## **Confessions**

We offer Confessions Saturdays from **3:00–3:30 p.m.** at IC Church. No appointment needed. Confessions are also available at other times and places during the week by appointment only. For more information or to schedule a time for Confession, contact our Collaborative offices at (978) 346-8604 or (978) 462-2724.

## **Immaculate Conception School**

The students at Immaculate Conception School put their faith into action in a number of ways throughout the school year. Students recently created a prayer wall in the front lobby of the school for All Souls Day. The names of loved ones and pets who have passed away are



displayed with softly glowing candles below. Mass is celebrated each month in the Parish Chapel with Fr. Tim and one grade of students, which provides a closer, more personal experience and look at the Mass. All Saints Day was celebrated at a whole-school Mass, led by the 6th grade. The new Middle School Choir sang at that Mass for the first time.



Middle School Choir made up of students from grades 5–8.

Grade 6 led the All Saints Day Mass.

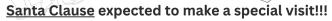


All Souls Day remembrances.

## Cocoa & Caroling! Friday December 9th I 6-8 PM

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Waterfront Parking Lot, 36 Merrimac St, Newburyport

- Stay warm with our **Heated Tent** and **Hot Cocoa**
- Write your own letter to Santa with your friends
- Build your own Christmas Ornament
- Join the Knights in singing Christmas Carols



For more info call or text Matt: 978.697.5135

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## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

#### IC St. Vincent de Paul



If you know someone living in Newbury/ Newburyport who needs assistance, please suggest that they call our **help line 978-518-0728**. We are ready to assist.

You can now make online donations on our website: <a href="www.svdpnewburyport.org">www.svdpnewburyport.org</a>. If you would like to mail in your donation, please make your check payable to "SVdP of Newburyport" and drop it into the collection box at Mass or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

#### **Breaking Bread to-go Meal**

We serve our weekly Breaking Bread meal on Tuesday evenings. It is a hot, nourishing, 3-course dinner which is currently **take out only** and is distributed at the entrance to the IC Parish Center from 4:30–5:30 p.m. All are welcome!

## St. Mary's Cemetery

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 Online Giving**

Parish registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office.

To learn more visit our website, <a href="hricoatholic.org">hriccatholic.org</a> and click the "Links" tab, then click on "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the site or contact Christine Breslow, 978-462-2724 x 402

## The Compassionate Friends



The Compassionate Friends provides support for bereaved families after the loss of a child, grandchild, or sibling—any age, any cause. Visit our website tcfnewburyport.org.

Our next monthly support meeting is **November 28** in the IC Parish Center, Room 209 from 7:30–9:00 p.m. Contact Barbara with questions: 978-697-1349 or 617-410-6309, or <a href="mailto:barbarajhopkinson@gmail.com">barbarajhopkinson@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Consolers Circle Meal**

The IC community offers a light meal to families who have lost a loved one. The meal is provided by volunteers and 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. Please let the funeral director know that you request this service when making arrangements.

## IC Mission Appeal: Nov. 26-27

Mission Appeal by the Benedict XVI Institute for Africa

As the Church in African grows and participates in the New Evangelization of the world Church, the need for a proper formation of the clergy, religious, and laity becomes all the more acute. Integral to this mission of the formation of Church leaders is their formation in theology and spirituality, while paying attention to the cultures of the peoples of the vast continent of Africa.

The purpose of the Benedict XVI Institute for Africa, therefore, is to promote theological and spiritual formation of Church leaders across the African Church, particularly African Theological Faculties, Seminaries, and Religious Houses of Formation. We have been at the forefront of theological, spiritual, and cultural development across Africa, especially in seminaries, houses of formation, and universities.

The recent years have been very challenging for all, with the COVID 19 pandemic. Unlike the counterparts in the Western world, African seminaries, houses of formation, and schools generally do not have access to computers and WIFI. The Benedict XVI Institute for Africa, therefore, is actively engaging on making these basic tools of learning available to different seminaries and local Churches in Africa, and your support will be very much appreciated.

Yes, the times are tough, but be mindful that your widow's mite could just be a lifeline for many peoples in the continent of Africa, as we struggle to provide not only educational and formational materials, but likewise medical support as well, which is part of the caritas arm of the Benedict XVI Institute for Africa. Thank you so much that you are able and willing to help. Be assured of our prayers for you and yours.

#### **Substitute Custodians**

IC Parish is looking for substitute Custodians to work on an as-needed basis. Duties would include cleaning, event setup, and snow removal. If you are interested in becoming a substitute custodian, please contact Christine or Melinda in the IC offices, 978-462-2724.

## Like Us on Facebook





## **Wedding Coordinators Needed**

Would you like to serve your church in a meaningful and enjoyable way? Then consider being a wedding coordinator. All that's needed is a friendly face and the basics of hospitality. Approximately one hour of rehearsal and approximately two hours on the day of the wedding are required. You will be trained and compensated. If you're interested in this rewarding position and want more information, please call Christine or Melinda in the IC offices, 978-462-2724.

## HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## **HR Offertory Collection**

HR Offertory, Nov. 12–13 \$1,253.00
Monthly \$1,155.00
Mailed in Offertory, week ending Nov. 11 \$1,415.00
Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$ 378.00

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If you would like to mail in your collections, send them to Holy Redeemer Parish, 4 Green Street, Merrimac, MA 01860

You can also sign up for online giving. Visit our website to learn more: <a href="https://hr-online-giving">hriccatholic.org/hr-online-giving</a>.

HR Grand Annual Goal \$25,000 To Date \$5,980.00



#### **Greeters Needed**

We could still use a few more greeters. High school students and adults are welcome. In particular, we need greeters at the 4:00 p.m. Masses at both Nativity and St. Ann. This little

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED task simply involves smiling and saying hello, handing out bulletins, or perhaps giving directions to the restroom or the ramp.

Would you like to help? Please contact Sue Noyes at susanjnoyes@gmail.com.

## **HR Online Giving**

To get started you need to be a registered member of Holy Redeemer Parish. Registration forms are available on the website or contact the parish office.

To learn more visit our website, <a href="hricatholic.org">hricatholic.org</a> and click the "Links" tab, then "HR Parish Online Giving" to get to the site.

Questions? Contact Christine Breslow, 978-462-2724 x 402

## **Shawls and Lapghans**



Shawls and lapghans are given freely as a gift, to offer comfort and joy! We would be happy to deliver to anyone. Or if you personally would like to give one to a friend, relative or

neighbor, please contact Helen at 978-771-4673 or hvktax@aol.com.

Come join us. Don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you! We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall in Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. Our next meeting is Thursday, December 1. All are welcome!

#### **Wreaths Across America**



Help the Brigadier General James Brickett-Old Newbury DAR honor local heroes! Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Winchendon or Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Make a donation online: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/MA0158P.

#### HR St. Vincent de Paul

"... And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table." (Lk 16:20)

The Holy Redeemer SVdP conference is seeing an increase in the needs of those unfortunate in our area. Your kind and generous donations over the years have helped tremendously, but the cries for help continue.

Jesus told us the poor and needy would always be with us. We are all called to raise our awareness and "see" the face of Lazarus in those in need that we encounter. Our donations will not solve widespread poverty but **your donations do make a difference**. If someone is without water or electricity, your donations collectively can make a huge difference to that person or family.

With the overall cost of living increasing and the onset of cold weather, we ask that you consider some of **our stories** (see below) and continue to give generously. There are envelopes in the pews at both St. Ann and at Nativity churches, or simply use the poor boxes in these churches. Make checks out to HR SVdP. If you know of someone who needs help, please have them call our hotline at 978-346-8604 X4.

Please give what you can so that we can continue to *make* a difference in the lives of the poor around us.

For over a year, our conference has been helping a 56 year-old, single and self-employed woman. She is in recovery and struggling with various health issues. Her bills pile up and we help where we can. She is fighting for dignity and survival. *Her name is Lazarus*.

#### **Archdiocese Web Site**

Visit <a href="www.bostoncatholic.org">www.bostoncatholic.org</a> for the latest news and information around the Archdiocese of Boston.

## **Mass Scripture Readings**

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass can be found on the United States Council of Catholic Bishops' website at **bible.usccb.org**. Praying with the Scriptures daily is a wonderful way to deepen our relationship with Our Lord and to discern how best to serve God as an intentional disciple of Christ.

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(The free App "Laudate" allows you to access the daily Scripture readings on your cell phone.)



## Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

#### St. Ann

Church: 300 Main St., W. Newbury 01985 Rectory: 46 Maple St., W. Newbury 01985

Phone: 978-346-8604 Email: info@hriccatholic.org

#### **Nativity**

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

Phone: 978-346-8604 Email: info@hriccatholic.org

#### Immaculate Conception

Parish, church, rectory, and offices: 42 Green St., Newburyport 01950 Office Hours: M-F 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

> Phone: 978-462-2724 Fax: 978-234-7399 Email: info@hriccatholic.org



#### St. Mary's Cemetery

36 Storey Avenue, Newburyport 01950

## **Immaculate Conception School**

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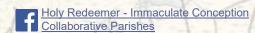
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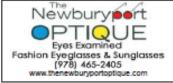
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