

HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



April 10, 2022

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*They proclaimed:
"Blessed is the
king who comes
in the name
of the Lord.
Peace in heaven
and glory
in the highest."
(Lk 19:38)*

*All Are
Welcome*

The Paschal Triduum

Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative

Serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, and West Newbury



Holy Thursday, April 14

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Church

(Also live-streamed)

Come and enter into the sacred three days of **Triduum** by celebrating the Lord's simple command: "*As I have done for you, so you must do.*" Join us for a commemoration of the Last Supper and institution of the Eucharist.

Good Friday, April 15

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 p.m.

St. Ann Church and Immaculate Conception Church (Also live-streamed)

Join with us as we immerse ourselves in St. John's Passion account, venerate the Cross, and offer Special Intercessions for the whole world.

Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m.

Nativity Church



Easter

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection

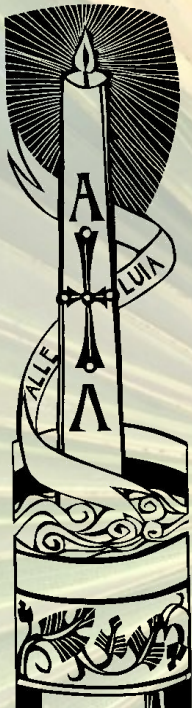
The Easter Vigil, April 16

Gather at 7:30 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Church

(Also live-streamed)

Known as the "mother of all vigils" this sacred moment is the high point of our whole year! Beginning with the Lucinarium or service of light, this celebration continues with special readings and Psalms that tell the story of Salvation. Continuing with the renewal of our own Baptismal Promises and ending with the Eucharist—this is one joyful event not to miss!



Easter Sunday, April 17

8:30 a.m. Nativity Church

9:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception Church (Also live-streamed)

10:15 a.m. St. Ann Church

11:30 a.m. Immaculate Conception Church

Come and celebrate the Lord's Resurrection! Along with the joyful, sung Alleluia, festive decorations, and sacred stories of the Resurrection, everyone will be invited to renew their Baptismal Promises during this Mass.

To link to our live-stream, please visit our website at www.hriccatholic.org.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (4/9)

4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)
 4:00pm **IC Jo Minalio, Noreen Driscoll and parents, Billy Sullivan** (Fr. Stanley)

Sunday (4/10) **Palm Sunday**

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)
 9:00am **IC Jack & Kate Grealish, Ernest Powis, & for the intentions of Rozalia Benca** (Fr. Morin)
 10:15am **St. Ann Johanna Scanlon Prindiville** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)
 11:30am **IC Lawrence Twomey Jr., Richard & Robert Ring** (Fr. McLaughlin)

Monday (4/11)

9:00am **IC Rab Schweitzer, Joseph P. Messina** (Fr. Harrison)

Tuesday (4/12)

9:00am **IC Rab Schweitzer, Joseph P. Messina** (Fr. Stanley)

Wednesday (4/13)

9:00am **IC Rab Schweitzer, Joseph P. Messina** (Fr. McLaughlin)

Thursday (4/14) **Holy Thursday**

7:00pm **IC** (Fr. Stanley)

Friday (4/15) **Good Friday**

3:00pm **IC** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)
 3:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
 7:00pm **Nativity Stations** (Fr. Harrison)

Saturday (4/16) **Holy Saturday**

Gather at 7:30pm

Sunday (4/17) **Easter Sunday**

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
 9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)
 10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Dow)
 11:30am **IC** (Fr. Stanley)

In your prayers, please remember Fr. Drew Christiansen, S.J., Janice Carey, and all the faithful departed.

Attention: Mass time change for Sundays

Because of the closure of the Rock's Village Bridge due to a trucking accident, we are moving the Sunday Mass at St. Ann to 10:15 a.m. until further notice.

The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.

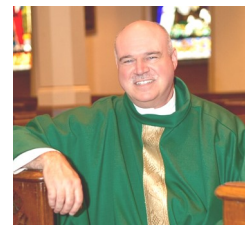
IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

Saturday Vigil Mass is broadcast online through our website: hriccatholic.org and on Facebook: ([Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes](https://www.facebook.com/HolyRedeemer-ImmaculateConceptionCollaborativeParishes/)).

From the Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

In photography, there are many different lenses that can be used with cameras to achieve very dramatic results. Choose a zoom lens, for instance, and that which is in the far distance instantly becomes close and many otherwise unseen details come in to sharp focus. Try a fish-eye lens, on the other hand, and everything in the world comes into view at the same time, even if it is badly distorted and circular. Engage a wide-angle lens and a sweeping panoramic view broader than what the human eye can see in an instance is unveiled. On much more subtle scales, prime lenses with a fixed focal length can bring gentle nuances to portraits and draw delicate contrasts that zoom lenses cannot. Of course, each of these lenses have their downside as well. A zoom lens eliminates the foreground, a fish-eye lens throws proportion to the wind, a wide-angle lens eliminates distant details and prime lenses force the photographer to move to reframe a subject, rather than simply moving a dial on the lens. A good photographer knows the strengths and limits of each lens in their kit and deploys each to its maximum effect in telling a story through pictures. The results, of course, can be breathtaking in the hands of a true master.

I'd like you to consider the above as we move through Holy Week and encounter the various Scripture stories and Holy texts that tell of the most central mysteries of our faith. The Gospel writers and Sacred authors precisely invite us to consider various aspects of these most passionate events. Through their careful use of words and phrases, quotations and imagery, we are invited into the saving action of God, enfleshed and poured-out for our sake. Some events, like that which is recalled this weekend with the triumphant entry into Jerusalem are meant to be seen in a long continuity with the past, but read as a fulfillment in the present. The Lord's Crucifixion happened but once many centuries ago, but is made present and real for us today, that we might continue to benefit from its one, true sacrifice. We focus on the awful details of jealousy and betrayal, of hatred and unjust condemnation. We also encounter the subtleties of love and hope, of friendship and trust. Redemption is interwoven amidst pain and suffering.

One of the marks of a good camera and experienced photographer is the ability to highlight a subject by limiting the area of focus while casing the background into an intentional, gentle blur. This is called the "bokeh" effect and when well-done, makes for truly dramatic pictures that evoke deep emotion and profound interest. Although the background is blurred, it still surrounds the subject with color and context. Holy Week has much bokeh imbedded into the drama, that we might appreciate its central figure, Jesus Christ, all the more deeply. And just occasionally, a few otherwise incidental details are brought into sharp focus that give us treasured, poignant pericopes of the narrative that cling to our hearts and compel our continued journey of prayer: palm branches and processions, simple gifts of bread and wine offered and shared...a cruel crown

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Virtual Rosary



Join us for recitation of the rosary live on Facebook twice every week. Pray along with us and add your intentions in the comments on Facebook. www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, April 11

Women at the Well Mtg. 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Holy Week Penance Service 7:00pm, IC Church

Tuesday, April 12

Breaking Bread Takeout-Only Meal 4:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

HR Confirmation Prep., Year 2 6:45pm, Nativity Hall

IC Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:00pm, IC Nazareth Library

Wednesday, April 13

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Scouts Mtg. 4:00pm, St. Ann Hall

Thursday, April 14 Holy Thursday

See page 2 for schedule

Friday, April 15 Good Friday

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Saturday, April 16 Holy Saturday

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Sunday, April 17 Easter Sunday

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



Live Stream Mass

To watch our live-stream Masses on the website:

1. Go to our website (hriccatholic.org).
2. Click on the live-stream map on the homepage
3. You will be directed to the live stream page. Click the image to begin the video.

To watch our live-stream Masses on Facebook:

1. Go to our Facebook page (facebook.com/hriccatholic/)
2. Click the "videos" link on the page.
3. The **LIVE** video should be the first one on the list.

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of thorns along with purple robes, the casting of dice, blood and water flowing from His side...a borrowed grave.

When you hear these special stories again and anew, consider what lens to use as these images calling forth faith are displayed for all to see. I think, I hope, what you will see that comes into view, in all of its richness, is a God who loves and saves. That's an image which will burn itself into our hearts now and for all eternity.

Happy Holy Week,

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

Easter Collections

Clergy Trust

Next week, at all our Easter Masses, our only collection will be to support the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information, please visit clergytrust.org to learn more or for ways to make your gift today or scan the QR code to make your gift now.



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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.



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

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COMMUNITIES.
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Lenten Guidelines

All Fridays during Lent are days of **abstinence**. **Good Friday** is a day of fasting and abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by anyone 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. (When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Fasting, prayer, and almsgiving are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

Collaborative Lenten Offerings

Lenten Penance Services

Monday, April 11 (Holy Week), 7:00–8:00 p.m., IC Church

Online Resources

Visit our website for more resources: hriccatholic.org/lent-2022.

Helping Our Homeless

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed.

As in past years, the homeless in our Collaborative need our help, and the pandemic has brought new suffering to many. We again will be collecting Homeless Care Packs at all three churches. This is a one-gallon Ziploc bag filled with personal care items for men, women, and children. They will be distributed to local agencies serving our homeless, including Pelican Intervention Fund, St. Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army, YWCA, Community Service, and others.

Easy to carry, travel-size personal care items are best and can be found in many local stores. There will be a collection box at the entrance of each church and in the lobby of the IC Parish Center through Easter, or you can contact a member of our Confirmation classes.

Please, no clothing, used or damaged goods, as these are discarded. For more information or to help, contact Aaron Giard at agiard@newburyportcatholic.org, or Jonathan Temple at jntemple@comcast.net. Thank you for your generosity and compassion. **Items needed:**

Shampoo	Cough drops	Feminine hygiene
Toothbrush	Protein bars	products (Women)
Toothpaste	Soap	Umbrellas
Deodorant	Life Savers candy	Antiseptic Wipes
Razor	Disposable face	
Socks	cloths	No mouthwash or
Gloves	Kleenex packs	loose items
Shaving Cream	Hand sanitizer	please

Family Prayer Group

Some of our parishioners have formed a group to pray for families and do so on the last Friday of the month, calling the prayer group "Final Fridays for Families" or "FFF" as a result.

It is not burdensome or time-consuming and simply involves receiving a reminder on the last Friday of each month and saying a prayer for families at a time and place that is convenient to you on that day. The group particularly prays for all members and their families and their special intentions. If you would like to join the group and receive the monthly prayer reminder, please let Linda Temple know in our Collaborative office. Contact her at (978) 462-2724 or email at: info@hriccatholic.org.



Bulletin Information

Email all bulletin submissions by Monday at noon to hricbulletin@gmail.com.



TICKETS:

\$39 until April 14
\$49 April 15–22

*Boxed lunch available at extra cost

For more information, visit JesusIsHereBoston.org



Ecumenical Taizé

All are cordially invited to a candlelight meditation service modeled on the services held at the Taizé community in France. This service will take place on Sunday evening, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Groveland Congregational Church, 4 King St.

Taizé prayer is a simple form of ecumenical Christian prayer centered on scripture, silence, and song. It involves singing and listening to the word of God in an atmosphere of silence and peace. The service lasts approximately 40 minutes. More information: call Groveland Congregational Church at 978-372-3463 or visit www.grovelanducc.org.

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ENGAGE & FORMED

We have a treasure chest of online faith formation resources available free to all in the HRIC community. We encourage you to take full advantage of these resources.

To access the resources of Word on Fire's **ENGAGE**, register at flocknote.com/hriccollaborative or by texting "HRIC" to 84576.

To access **FORMED**, visit formed.org, click "Sign up," then "I belong to a parish or organization" and type in "Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative" to log in.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



Easter 2022
April 17, 2022
Easter Vigil: Saturday
7:30pm IC
Easter Sunday
8:30 Nativity
9:00 IC
10:15 St. Ann
11:30 IC
*Easter Vigil and 9:00am Mass will be
Live Streamed on Website & Facebook*

women at the well

Welcome to Women at the Well: A weekly Bible Study for women seeking to grow closer to God and cultivate community!

*We meet every **Monday at 6:30 p.m.** If you can't make it to every meeting, please do not worry! This group is designed to allow you to drop in whenever you are able to join us, no pre-reading necessary from week to week.*

In-person: IC Charity Dining Room
Zoom: Email hricwomenatthewell@gmail.com for the link.

Retrovaille Program

Rediscover Your Marriage—Retrouvaille (pronounced retrovi with a long i) simply means “rediscovery.” The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming New England program beginning with a weekend on May 6–8, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230 or email us at 3023r@helpourmarriage.org.

Questions of the Week



Adult: What part of the Passion story most touches your life this year?

Child: What is one thing that you can do each day this week to remind you that Jesus died and rose to new life for you.

Holy Jammers



The Holy Jammers musical group meets every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the IC Nazareth Library to jam for an hour. All are welcome to join us!

The Pelican Intervention Fund

We provide funding for non-profit, 12-step residential sober homes for economically challenged men and women struggling with addiction. Questions? Contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more. Donations can be made to:

“The Pelican Intervention Fund at ECCF”

Essex County Community Foundation, 175 Andover Street, Danvers, MA 01923

Prayers for the Sick

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

Priscilla Barry
Priscilla Brown
Bill Crounse
Susan Gerroir
Charmaine Haan
Hillar Haan

Jay Hanslig
Vincent Oberhofer
Maureen Russell
Ruth Sullivan
Michael Tucker
Jim Williamson

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

The Sacrament of the Sick

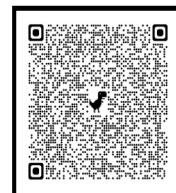
The **Anointing of the Sick** is one of the seven Sacraments of our Church and is administered by a priest for healing and inner wholeness. Those who are seriously ill, elderly, or are entering the hospital can request to be anointed. Due to varied schedules and availability, it may not always be possible 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.



Join the Knights!

Second Tuesdays at 7pm
IC Parish Center Library

For More Info:
Matt Blanchette
978.697.5135
kofc231@gmail.com



IC Haiti

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.”

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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, April 2-3	\$5,441.00
Ongoing Church Maintenance, April 2-3	\$1,208.00
Mailed in Offertory, week ending April 1	\$2,740.00

The second collection this weekend (April 10, Palm Sunday) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to Immaculate Conception Parish with the second collection noted in the memo.

The **Holy Thursday collection** is St. Vincent de Paul. Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

The **Good Friday collection** supports the sacred places and the educational, charitable, and peace-seeking ministries of the Church in the Holy Land.

Our **Easter Collection** supports the retirement, medical, and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org.

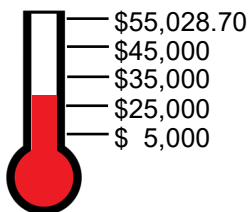
If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to **Immaculate Conception Parish, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950**

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



IC Catholic Appeal
Goal \$55,028.70
To Date \$29,660.00

Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org to learn more or to donate.



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, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then click on "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the site or contact Linda Temple, HRIC Administrative Assistant 978-462-2724 x7404.

Mary A. Kelly Scholarship

Scientific Education for IC Parish Students

Applications are now being accepted for the Mary A. Kelly Scholarship Fund. Email your request for an application to maryaksscholarship@gmail.com.

Scholarship eligibility:

- Young man or woman parishioner of IC Parish
- High school graduate in pursuit of a scientific education

Completed applications must be postmarked and returned to the Trustees no later than Monday, April 18, 2022.

Free Hair Cuts

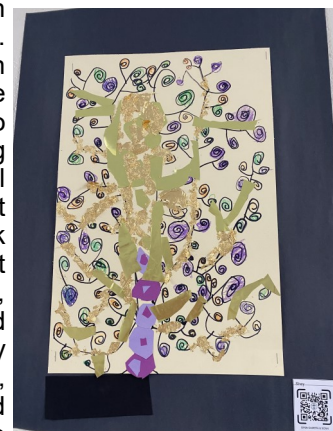
Donna Koen, an IC parishioner and licensed hairdresser for over 30 years, is offering free hair cuts to anyone in need. She is willing to travel to your home. Her number is (978) 998-9219. She is happy to help our parishioners in need.

Immaculate Conception School



A key component to the educational experience at Immaculate Conception School is cultivating "student voice." The IC utilizes several digital tools to foster student voice that range from quick one-click check-ins to assess student understanding to final presentations for long-term projects. Seeking student responses in the classroom can be time consuming. Allowing time for everyone to share their ideas is not always possible, so having tools that capture all that a student wants to say is a valuable alternative. It can be enlightening to hear what a young student thinks or knows about a given subject—perspective that often reveals so much more than what a child is capable of sharing through the written word. Digital tools can also make class participation more comfortable for those who tend to shy away from raising their hand or need more thinking time to craft a response. Providing alternatives that make participation more comfortable for students is how student voice is cultivated at the IC.

The IC recently held an Art Crawl for school families. Works of art for students in grades 1-4 had a QR Code attached that linked parents to an audio of the child explaining their artwork. Using the digital platform SeeSaw, each student used their school Chromebook to take a picture of their art piece that hung in the hallway, clicked the "record" button and told the story of how they created the work of art. Then, our Tech Department uploaded each child's recording to create



a unique QR Code which accompanied the artwork on display. As parents toured the building enjoying the art, they put their iPhone on the picture-taking setting, hovered over the QR code, and hit the yellow button to hear the child's voice come through on their phone. A simple and easy digital tool that literally brought the artwork to life.

Our 8th graders recently conducted research on historical figures who were activists of their time. The final presentation involved making a podcast for the class to hear. This format enabled students to finesse their podcast to perfection and infuse music for dramatic effect, all while avoiding the discomfort that often accompanies giving a final presentation in front of the class.

Spanish class is a subject where students utilize digital tools frequently. By recording dialogue, the Spanish teacher is able to hear each child's pronunciation and give feedback to the student privately. The one-on-one feedback addresses the needs of each individual which the child can replay again and again to fully understand the correct pronunciation.

The Tech Department at the IC vets every digital tool used in classrooms to ensure age appropriateness, features that enhance the educational process, and offer ease in capturing student voice. The students are absolute whizzes with anything digital, and simply love to talk. It's a win-win for everyone!!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Faith Formation

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

School Year Programs

Information regarding the 2021–22 schedule for those children currently in Grades K–8 is posted on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to either Aaron or Melinda at agiard@hriccatholic.org or burrell@hriccatholic.org respectively.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

Students are currently preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron at agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda at burrell@hriccatholic.org.

Baptism

No Baptisms will be taking place during the season of Lent. We will resume our schedule of celebrating this sacrament the second Sunday of each month here at IC beginning in May at 1:30 p.m. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724) for more information.

Confirmation

Students are currently in the process of preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with questions or email Aaron agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda burrell@hriccatholic.org.

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 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: www.svdpnewburyport.org. 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.

A Heartfelt Thank You to All of Our Contributors

IC Society of St. Vincent de Paul thanks all who contribute on a regular basis through the collections, mail-in contributions, and the Poor Box in the church. Your ongoing assistance adds up in a big way and allows us to continue our work to those in need. Thank you!

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!

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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.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Online Giving

HR provides Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring donation. 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.

Once you register, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the “Links” tab, then “HR Parish Online Giving” to get to the site. There are three different funds you can contribute to: Offertory, Monthly, and Grand Annual.

Questions? Contact Linda Temple, HRIC Administrative Assistant at 978-462-2724 x7404.

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generosity to the HR Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. We would be unable to help our local clients without your assistance. All donations go directly to those in need.

There are addressed SVdP envelopes in at both churches. Please place donations into the envelopes and either mail or place the envelopes in the collection. You can also place donations in the poor boxes at the back of each church. The boxes are emptied on a regular basis.

Make checks out to HR SVdP and mail to HR St. Vincent de Paul Society, 4 Green Street, Merrimac, MA 01860

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HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, April 2–3	\$1,511.00
Ongoing Church Maintenance, April 2–3	\$ 499.00
Mailed in Offertory, week ending April 1	\$2,697.00

The second collection this weekend (April 10, Palm Sunday) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to Holy Redeemer Parish with the second collection noted in the memo.

The **Holy Thursday** collection is St. Vincent de Paul. Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

The **Good Friday** collection supports the sacred places and the educational, charitable, and peace-seeking ministries of the Church in the Holy Land.

Our **Easter** collection supports the retirement, medical, and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org.

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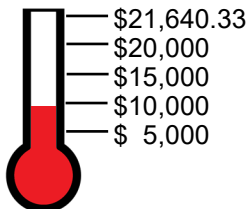
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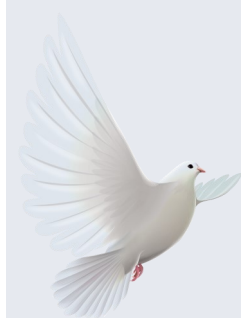
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Fr. Drew Christiansen, S.J.

It is with great regret that we must inform parishioners that Fr. Drew Christiansen, S.J. passed to the Lord on Wednesday, April 6. Fr. Drew was an eminent scholar and shared his many intellectual gifts and talents with our Church and world. As the former editor of *America Magazine* and working diligently through diplomatic channels on behalf of the Vatican, he specialized in Middle Eastern politics, working to reduce nuclear weapons stockpiles and promoting world peace. With family ties to West Newbury over the years, on his vacation time, Fr. Drew was a frequent guest presider at weekend liturgies, especially on Christmas and Easter. As we move into Holy Week and our own celebration of the Lord's Resurrection, please remember Fr. Drew and his family in your prayers. He will be deeply missed and we are so grateful for his time among us. May he Rest In Peace.



HR Faith Formation

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

School Year Programs

Information regarding the 2021–22 schedule for those children entering Grades K–8 has been posted on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Registration forms are also available. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron at agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda at burrell@hriccatholic.org.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

Registration forms as well as schedules for those children who will be preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist have been posted to the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron at agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda at burrell@hriccatholic.org.

Baptism

No Baptisms will be taking place during the season of Lent. We will resume our schedule of celebrating this sacrament the second Sunday of each month at IC Church beginning in May at 1:30 p.m. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information.

Confirmation

Information regarding the 2021–22 Confirmation Prep schedule for grades 9 and 10 has been posted along with registration forms on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with questions or email Aaron agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda burrell@hriccatholic.org.

HR Activities Committee Meeting

The Holy Redeemer Activities Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. in Nativity Hall. We are always happy to see new faces. All are welcome to attend and help plan the 2022 HR activities.

HR Greeters Needed

Would you like to serve as a welcoming presence at Mass? We are looking for additional greeters at Holy Redeemer, **particularly at the 4:00 p.m. Masses at both churches and the 10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Ann.**

All are encouraged to volunteer if they wish—men, women, and high school students. If you are able to serve, please contact Sue Noyes at susanjnoyes@gmail.com.

Prepping St. Ann for Easter

It's that time of year again. St. Ann will be preparing the church for Easter on Tuesday, April 12 at 10 a.m.

Please join us if you are available and able to help clean the church. Questions call Dottie Carr at 978-363-2909.



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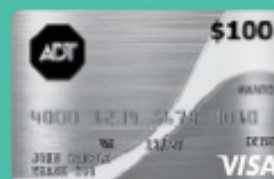


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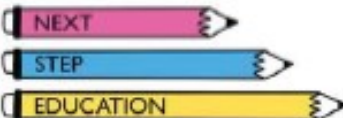



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