HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed November 2, 2025

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All Are Welcome

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them.

Wisdom 3:





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

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Nativity

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

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

Collaborative Staff

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
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Immaculate Conception School

1 Washington Street, Newburyport 01950, Pre-K-grade 8, Mrs. Joan Sullivan, Principal, Phone: 978-465-7780, Fax: 978-234-7331, www.icsnewburyport.com



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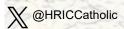
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Confessions

Saturdays 3:00–3:30 p.m., IC Church Or by appointment. (Call Collaborative offices to schedule.)











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All Souls' Day November 2, 2025

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (11/01) All Saints Day

4:00pm IC (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (11/02) All Souls Day

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Stanley)

9:00am IC Tricia Kelly, Pamela O'Reilly Fahey

(Fr. Harrison)

10:00am St. Ann (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Moranski)

11:30am IC Andrew Filomia, Jeff Chu, Earle Baughn, David Kolman, Maureen Hegerich

(Fr. Morin)

Monday (11/03)

9:00am For Seminarians Connor & Kennedy

(Fr. Stanley)

Tuesday (11/04) 9:00am IC Ann & Gary Welch, Joseph Carmody

(Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (11/05)
9:00am IC For the Niles, Keefe, Swochak, & Macri

families (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (11/06) 9:00am IC Mary Reilly, Marsha Reilly Sullivan

(Fr. Morin)

Friday (11/07) 9:00am IC Jack Cohane (Fr. Morin)

Saturday (11/08)

4:00pm Nativity (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm IC Marie Sullivan, Mary Jayne, James

Waldrip (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

Sunday (11/09)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Morin)

9:00am IC Maryellen Hamel (Fr. Stanley)

10:00am St. Ann Barbara & Dick Hanley,

Jeannette LeBlanc (Fr. Morin)

11:30am IC James Halloran, James Knox, Frank &

Genevieve Johnson, Paul Michael Doyle

(Fr. Harrison)

In your prayers please remember Allen Almond Osgood and all of 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 live-streamed online through our website: hriccatholic.org as well as our Facebook page.

It's 2026 CORI Time

2026 CORI forms are now available. You can pick up a form in the back of any of the churches and have a priest or deacon verify it with your ID or stop by the IC parish center offices and fill one out there. CORI forms are also available on our website so you can download one and fill it out ahead of time.

Remember that the Archdiocese of Boston requires all volunteers in the church who are 18 years of age and older to fill out a CORI form every year. We appreciate the cooperation of all those required to complete the CORI and we particularly thank you for keeping the pledge to protect those among us who are most vulnerable.

New Adult Education Series

Overcoming Our True Enemy: Spiritual Warfare and St. Ignatius' Discernment of Spirits

Thursday mornings, October 30–December 11 9:45–11:00 a.m.



In an age of political violence, divisive rhetoric, and constant attacks on the human person, we need to revisit the Christian understanding of what and who our true enemy is: sin and the devil. Our tradition is clear, directly from Our Lord Himself and His Apostles, that our struggle is "not against flesh and blood," but hateful spiritual powers that wreak

havoc on human hearts and minds, leading us to accusation, "scattering" ("diabolic" comes from the Greek word meaning "to scatter"), lies, and isolation.

Join us on Thursday mornings for some practical wisdom from our tradition on overcoming the "enemy of human nature" and discerning the voice of the Holy Spirit at work in our hearts.

November: Month of the Holy Souls

"The Souls of the Just Are in the Hand of God" (Wisdom 3:1)

Come for a consoling 70 minutes, rich in Church teaching and prayer on behalf of our beloved dead. Using Scripture, CCC, Apostle's Creed and Catholic authors, learn profound prayer models to honor the Holy Souls.

Date: Sunday, November 16

Time: 10:05–11:15 a.m.

(after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at IC)

Location: IC St. Louis Hall, **Speaker**: Mrs. Lisa Powis



Adoration



Come spend some quiet time with Jesus at Adoration.

Wednesdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. Nativity Church

Thursdays 7:00–8:00 p.m., IC Church (enter at Green Street door only)

Fridays 9:30 a.m., IC Church (unless a funeral is scheduled)

Christmas Flowers

We are taking monetary donations and memorials for the purchase of flowers for all 3 churches for Christmas. Please



do not have flowers delivered to the churches but allow us to purchase them. Place your flower donation envelope in the collection at the churches or mail them to the offices. **Donation deadline is Sunday, December 7 at noon**.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: hriccatholic.org. Monday, November 3

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

Tuesday, November 4

Women's AA Mtg. 7:00am, St. Ann Hall

Faith Formation, Grade 2 3:30pm, IC Nazareth Library

Breaking Bread Meal 4:45pm, IC St. Louis Hall

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

IC Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Wednesday, November 5

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm, *Nativity Church*

Faith, Fun, & Fellowship Mtg. 6:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Thursday, November 6

Overcoming Your True Enemy Series 9:45am, IC St. Louis Hall

HR Prayer Shawl 2:00pm, Nativity Hall

Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, November 7

AA Mtg. 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Saturday, November 8

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, November 9

Veterans Day Celebration 9:30am, Nativity Hall

Exploring Catholicism Series 10:00am, IC OCIA Room 305

Faith Formation, Gr. K–8 10:00am, IC Parish Center

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

2025 Grand Annual

Our 2025 Grand Annual Appeal is off to a great start. If you have not already done so, please place your completed "Grand Annual Pledge Card" in the regular collection at Mass. You may also return it to your parish by mail.

If you have not decided on your gift to the Grand Annual, we invite you to prayerfully consider making your gift this week. We truly appreciate any assistance you can give.

Thank you to the many families that have already returned their Grand Annual gift.

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.

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

Our next meeting is Thursday, November 6 at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. You are welcome to join us.

Ministry Appreciation Luncheon



Lots of laughter, delicious food, fun door prizes, and everyone in good cheer. It was a wonderful day of thanks on Sunday, October 26, in the IC school gym for all involved in ministry in our Collaborative.

Bulletin Information

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

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Prayers for the Sick

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

Lucas Aucamp
Patricia Baikewicz
John Bourque
Kathy P. Brodeur
Michael Brenner
Priscilla Brown
Autumn Rose
Coulombe

Coulombe Steve Johnson
Finn Davis Michael Juralewicz
Kristen D'Entremont
Ward Dilmore Arthur LaPointe
Deb Downie David LeBlanc
Dotty Duval Michael Lichtenste
Ann-Margaret Donna Limone
Ferrante Johannah Lord

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Samuel E. Musto Carol O'Neal Eleanora Paciulan Joseph Palumbo Carol Parks Joanne Pesa Elizabeth Pettingell Rob Schweizer Regina Seely Yvonne Sloban Gary Smith Arlene Stoddard Susan Sweeney Taylor Captain Bill Taplin Joyce Tomaselli Michael Tucker Maddie Villers Laurent Vincent

Sandra Welch

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

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COLLABORATIVE NEWS





On Sunday, October 26, Heidi Jewett was welcomed into the Catholic Church and received her Confirmation and First Communion at Nativity Church. Pictured: Kathy Peavey Heidi's sponsor, Heidi Jewett, Fr. Harrison, and Ethan Giard, altar server. Congratulations Heidi!

New England Tenors



The Tenors are coming! Join us the Sunday after Thanksgiving for a matinee performance: **Sunday, November 30 at 2:00 p.m.** at IC church. Tickets are \$20 adult, \$12 children. Watch the bulletin for more details. Sponsored by IC St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled

and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.



May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Advent Lessons and Carols

at St. John's Seminary

Lessons and carols are an Advent tradition proclaiming



the story of the Fall, the coming of the Messiah, the Incarnation, and the telling of the Good News through a service of Scripture, prayer, and song.

Join us as we journey to St. John's Seminary in Brighton to listen to the seminary schola perform this age-old tradition.

HRIC will be renting a bus which will leave Immaculate Conception for the Seminary at 5:15 p.m. on Saturday December 6, 2025.

The program begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments and an opportunity to visit with the seminarians. We expect to return to IC at 10:00 p.m.

Tickets are available from the Parish office at \$40 each and include transportation and tickets for the program. The bus is limited to 40 seats, so sign up early to make sure you have a chance to enjoy this sacred event.

What better way to start the Advent season than to hear once more the telling of the coming of Our Savior through scripture and choral meditations as we prepare the way of the Lord?

Questions of the Week



Adult: If today was your last day, what would you do with it?

Child: If Jesus came to visit you today, what would you say to Him? How would you act?

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Youth Ministry



If your child is interested in any of these ministries, please call the parish offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 and leave your name, email, phone number, and which ministry interests you.

High School Youth Ministry

High School Youth Ministry meets on select Sunday evenings from 6:00–7:30 p.m. Fall dates include November 2, 16, and 30, and December 14. Families are encouraged to reach out to Aaron (978-462-2724, giard@hriccatholic.org) if interested. Meetings will include informal game and music time and small group Scripture and other faith-based study and conversation. Large group gatherings are in planning stages but will include movie nights, group service projects, prayer experiences, and other activities, generally once a month.

Youth Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers

Requirements: must have completed the 2nd grade and received his/her First Communion. **Training**: 3 one-hour sessions in the church.

Lectors

Requirement: Anyone who has been Confirmed. **Training**: approximately 1 one-hour session, on an early evening during the week.

Youth Choir

"Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord" Psalm 100

Does your child love to sing? Join the Youth Choir! Grades 3–8

Rehearsals: Held in IC Church on Wednesdays, 3:30–4:45 p.m. *Need to come later?* 3:45–4:45 p.m. or 4:00–5:00 p.m.

The Youth Choir has been invited to perform in the Newburyport Choral Society's Christmas Concert at IC!



Questions, schedule, and/or registration form? Please email Paula Quann: youthchoir@hriccatholic.org.

Collaborative Faith Formation

School Year Programs (K-8, Including Sacramental Prep.)

Registration forms and schedules for 2025–26 are now available on our website: hriccatholic.com/FaithFormation.

Baptism

Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information regarding this sacrament.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is now celebrated with students currently in Grade 8.

ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCES

Holy Redeemer

John H. Thumser • Helen D. Thumser Robert M. Thumser • Bob & Joyce Nevins • Peter Mary Ann Quinn • George & Carolyn Winn • Lee & George Blais • Barbara Burak • Joseph Burak • Janet & Roland Michaud • Thomas Graziano • Richard & Betty Herbert • Edward Ferrick • Thomas & Mary Baroni • Jack Gorski • Gerard Routhier • The Gorski Family • The Gallant Family • A. Henry Duhamel • Theresa Duhamel • M. Joseph Walsh • Ruth E. Walsh • Patricia A. (Walsh) Moulton • Michael J. Walsh • James P. Parry • William Edward Crounse • Stephen M. Crounse • Maurice J. Crounse • Joanne Crounse • Wilfred A. Vaillancourt • Helen T. Vaillancourt • Paul P. Johnston • Frederick L. Johnston, Jr. • Robert S. Johnston • Ronald R. Johnston • Marie Jeanne Martin • Henry J. Duchemin, Jr. • Alfred L. Duchemin • Kent Taylor • Carolyn Robrecht • Aldora Taylor • Wilfred Taylor • Phyllis Sokolowski • Anthony A. Sokolowski

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Marion Villani • Rudolph Villani • Clara DiSanti • Louis DiSanti • Albert & Alice Covte • Albert Stephen Covte • Thomas Charles Covte • Joseph Magna Coyte • Sandra M. Siemasko • Peter Dow • Peggie Nyman • Brien Curley • The Pearson Family • Paula Bonacconso • Santo Bonacconso • The H. K. & Tia Silva Family • The Chaisty Family • John Catania • Bernadette Catania • Katherine Strouse • Christa Catania • Phillip Cincotta • Grace M. Cincotta • Arthur W. Mellace • The Burnett Family • The Jakutis Family • The Brightney Family • The Roy Family • The Kapinos Family • Raymond J. Haley • The Haley Family • The McKeown Family • Kathleen K. Rogers • Marie Sickler • William Gallagher • Edward Reardon • Margaret H. Doyle • Amy Shoemake • Jeremiah Doyle • Mr. & Mrs. O. Pettingell • Paul McLeod • Peter Koppel, Sr. • Patrick Koppel • Jeanette Orsargos • Stanley Frederik • Jose Orozco • Theodore Guise • Mr. & Mrs. Harold Daley • Anne Daley • Fred & Lucinda Daley • Mary & Arthur Leonard • John Vander Sande • Francis J. & Rose Melluzzo • K. White Sonner • David Sonner • Jack Burkett • Gillian Griffin • James Utterback • Katherine & John E. Kelley • Mr. & Mrs. Jere W. Doyle, Jr. • Mr. & Mrs. John W. Kelley • John & Hugh Doyle • Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Malionek • Mr. & Mrs. Clark Winslow • George, Christopher & Regina Laite • Ladislaus & Veronica Kobuszewski • Rev. Robert & Emily Laite • Rev. John Leonard • Stasia Malionek • Ronnie Lyons • Joan Esile • Theresa Majewski • John Hansen • Fred & Kathryn Goduti • Marilyn Goduti • Stanley Baikewicz • Joseph & Alison Baikewicz • Tony, Mary, Paul Baker • Stephen & Catherine Bogue • The Bogue Brothers • The Bogue Sisters • Tony & Mary Baker • Mary & Paul Baker • David Crowley • Michael Crowley • Doris Donovan Broulette • John E. & Katherine (Doyle) Kelley • Jeremiah W., Jr. & Katherine Doyle • Jeremiah W., III & Jean Doyle • Hugh J. Doyle • Raymond and Pauline Sullivan • J. Dane & Mary Chandler • Mark & Eileen Hayes • John W. & Mabelle Kelley • Alex Hasapis • Cecile Vincent • Frances Hasapis • The Murphy Family • The Sullivan Family • The Morris Family • Dianne Lees • William Packard • Eileen Packard • Mary C. Packard • Anna Coughlin • Roxie Zerigian • Martin Zerigian • Jerome Wick • Stephen Boy • Al Paciulan • John & Helen Leary • Julia Paciulan • Mary Lou Gannon • Arthur Leary • George H. Lawler, Jr. • Barbara A. Lawler • Mary Adelaide Lawler • George H. (Buzzie) Lawler III • Martha R. Collins • The Kalashian Family • The Fraley Family • George & Mary Kalashian • John & Kay Kelley • Harry & Mabel Kalashian • David Pickul • Marie Whiston • Donald Whiston • Mary Fridge • Lisa Geist • Anita Worden • Judy Slagle • Dr. Prescott E. & Marjorie E. Tulloch • Robert Cynewski • Ruth & Gilbert Cormier • The Lapre Family • Cynthia Colby • The Cynewski Family • Genevie Sullivan • James & Caroline Doyle • Paul Michael Doyle • Josephine Minalio • David Mears • Danny Rogers • Mirian Rodriguez • Angel Rodriguez • Michael Spero, Sr. • Joseph Vail • Rachel & Thomas Thomas • Bobby Costello, Jr. • E. Joan Costello • Jim Garner • Thomas Hart • Nick Peters • Jan Kallarakal

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Oct. 25-26 \$2.411.00 HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct. 24 \$ 235.00 HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving 483.00 Total Weekly Offertory, Oct. 25-26 \$3,129.00

Ongoing Church Maintenance, Oct. 25-26 \$ 709.00

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> **HR Grand Annual** Goal \$25,000 To Date \$7,885.00



Veterans Day Breakfast



Sunday, November 9, 8:30 a.m. Mass, breakfast to follow (9:30 a.m.) at Church of the Nativity Hall

All are invited to a veterans appreciation breakfast. The members of Holy Redeemer Parish would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all who have served our country. Please join our community of Nativity Church, Merrimac and St. Ann Church, West Newbury, for a complimentary breakfast in honor of all veterans. This is our opportunity to

gather for Veterans Day and show our support and gratitude for your contributions to our freedom and safety: a small token of our immense appreciation for your sacrifice and service. Scan the QR code to learn more.



We ask that you please RSVP by Sunday, November 2 for our planning purposes. Please call Nancy Jean: 978-363-5416 to let us know you are coming and how many guests.

St. Ann Coffee Social

November 2 following the 10:00 Mass in the hall.

Please join us—young and old, and in between! They are a lot of fun! For your convenience, the side door on the parking lot side will be open with easier access to the hall.



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 22 9:00-2:00 NATIVITY CHURCH HALL, 4 GREEN ST., MERRIMAC

Please contact the supervisor listed below if you are able to help.

Baked Goods: Nancy Jean (978) 363-5416 Cookies, pies, bars, muffins: label items, state if nuts are included. Start now, most items freeze well!

Gift Baskets: Roberta Homan 978-290-9158 Pick a theme, include 3-4 items in a basket or container, write what is included. (Baskets priced around \$25.00 sell best) Bring donations to Nativity Hall starting November 10 or leave in the back of either church labeled "Basket Table."



Nearly New Items: MaryEllen LaPointe

Items need to be clean and working. Donations may be brought to Nativity Hall starting November 10. We will NOT be accepting any items after Friday, November 14.

Silent Auction Items: Carole Sokolowski 978-346-9031 Do you have a "special something" to donate that would cause a fierce bidding war? Do you have event tickets? An Airbnb? Cook a meal and deliver?



Soups for Lunch: *Marie Greeley* 508-523-0404 Homemade soup needs to be delivered **hot**, in a crockpot, the morning of the fair. A crockpot liner will be given to aid in our clean up.

We will soon have **Lawn Signs** to advertise our Fair in the back of both churches. If you are able to place a lawn sign on your well-visible property, please pick one up. Please do not place lawn signs on town property without receiving permission.

Holiday Fair Setup

The Activities Committee is preparing Nativity Hall for the annual Holiday Fair. We are asking for help moving and carrying large items in the hall: wall dividers, tables, shelving units, boxes, etc. If you are able to push, carry, and stack, we need you! We are planning to start preparations after the veterans breakfast, at about 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 9. This is a great opportunity for students to earn service hours!

Monday, November 10, at 9:00 a.m., volunteers will be underway setting up the different areas involved with the fair. All are welcome to help! A schedule will be posted on the glass doors of the hall for when Activities Committee members will be working. Stop by and check it out!

Also, any help with clean up after the fair is always appreciated.

HR Parish

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Oh SNAP!

Perhaps when you're reading this, the US government shutdown will have ended. If the shutdown lasts into November, **S**upplemental **N**utrition **A**ssistance **P**rogram or SNAP will not be distributed. More than 1.1 million Massachusetts residents rely on SNAP to afford food—32% are children, 26% are seniors, and 31% are people with disabilities. Many of the people that you help are receiving these benefits. Food insecurity needs are being partially addressed with local food pantries but these outlets have limits also. Demand is high.

Please consider donating in these difficult times. **Market Basket gift cards or cash** donations are very much appreciated.

Your kind donations in any form are always greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes located at the back of the church at St. Ann and Nativity churches for your donations. These can be mailed or placed in the poor boxes. Reminder: Make sure to make checks payable to **HR** St. Vincent de Paul.



St. Ann Flower Bed Goal \$18,750.00 To Date \$17,220.00



St. Ann Church Flower Bed

The much-needed St. Ann brick flower bed work is completed and looks wonderful! We thank everyone for their generous support so far.

We felt this project needed to be completed before winter weather set in, so we proceed before our goals had been fully reached.

So far, with your generous support, we have raised \$17,220 of our goal of \$18,750.

Please consider helping us reach the goal for the project by using the special undated envelopes that have been added to your envelope packs. Additional blank envelopes may be found in St. Ann Church.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with Fr. Harrison or Dennis LaMalfa at our Collaborative offices. Many thanks for your generosity and support!



View our weekly bulletin online on our website: hricCatholic.org.

IC PARISH

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.

IC Online Giving

IC Parish offers 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. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church, at the parish office, or online.

Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then click on "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the site. There are four different funds you can choose to contribute to. It is safe and secure and you get to decide exactly when and to where your gift will be made.

Questions? Contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724 x 402.

Knights Hospitality Sunday

Join us Sunday, November 2, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, in IC Parish Center for Hospitality Sunday sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. We will have free coffee and donuts for all.



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. 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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Oct. 25-26 IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct. 24 IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving

\$5,661.00 \$3,477.00 \$3,337.00

Total Weekly Offertory, Oct. 25-26

\$12,475.00

Ongoing Church Maintenance, Oct. 25-26

\$1,505.00

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IC Grand Annual Goal \$100.000 To Date \$33,135.00



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."

For those of you who are unfamiliar with our ministry to the Father Marc Piché school community in south-central Haiti, there is an eight-part historical overview at our website: ichaiti.org.



IC Outdoor Nativity Goal: \$22,000.00 To Date: \$22,175.00



Anticipating Christmas

It has been a long desire by many to offer a large outdoor Nativity scene on the grounds of IC Parish for Christmas. A committee has been formed to help make this possible, and we are now accepting donations towards the purchase of a beautiful new set that will be a blessing for our parish and community for many years to come. The figures of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph can be purchased as a memorial gift to the parish for \$2000 each. Additional figures of the 3 Wise Men, a shepherd, an angel, a cow, a donkey, and a sheep may be purchased in whole or in part.

It is our hope to have this purchased and set up during this coming Advent-Christmas season.

To make a donation, please contact Dennis LaMalfa in our Collaborative Office at 978-462-2724.

Immaculate Conception School

On the evening of October 25, the Immaculate Conception School gym was transformed into a festive Halloween wonderland as families gathered for our annual Halloween Party. Students, parents, and staff—many wearing creative

costumes—enjoyed a night filled with laughter, music, and community spirit.

The highlight for many was the series of carnival-style games, thoughtfully organized and run by our 8th grade students. Younger children delighted in trying their luck at each booth and earning fun prizes along the way.

Tables brimming with treats and candy tempted everyone, while a DJ played a lively mix of pop hits and Halloween favorites. With the gym lights dimmed and strings of purple and orange lights adding a magical glow, the scene was set for an unforgettable evening.



8th grader Elle poses with Vivienne from Kindergarten.

It was wonderful to see children and adults of ages joining in. making memories, and strengthening the bonds that make our school community so special. Events like these remind us of the importance of traditions that bring us together in joy and fellowship.

Thank you to all who attended. volunteered, and supported this cherished event! The families at the IC hope your Halloween was Spook-tacular!!



8th graders were on hand to lead the games for their younger schoolmates.

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.

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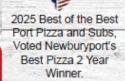
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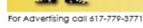


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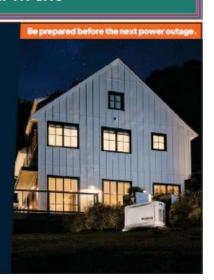
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