# HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY



The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9, 2025



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

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### St. Mary's Cemetery

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### **Immaculate Conception School**

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#### Confessions

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











Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes



# **Mass Schedule**

#### **Saturday (11/08)**

4:00pm IC Marie Sullivan, Mary Jayne, James Waldrip (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

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

#### Sunday (11/09)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Morin)

9:00am **IC** *Maryellen Hamel, Robert Nardella* (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)

#### Monday (11/10)

9:00am Gary A. Welch, Bryan Corbet (Fr. Stanley)

#### **Tuesday (11/11)**

9:00am IC Jean Keefe Doyle (Fr. Stanley)

#### Wednesday (11/12)

9:00am IC Jeanmarie Lapham (Fr. Stanley)

#### **Thursday (11/13)**

9:00am IC David Guthro (Fr. Morin)

#### Friday (11/14)

9:00am IC For the intentions of Betty & Rocco Digirolamo (Fr. Harrison)

#### **Saturday (11/15)**

4:00pm Nativity (Fr. Morin)

4:00pm IC Paul F. Doyle, William & Ann Kelleher, George H. (Buzzie) Lawler III (Fr. Stanley)

#### **Sunday (11/16)**

8:30am Nativity Maria & Jozef Kardas

(Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

9:00am **IC** For the intentions of Geri Buzzotta (Fr. Morin)

10:00am **Śt. Ann** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon

Moranski)
11:30am IC Carol Brennan, For the intentions of Finn Mulkern (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers please remember Mary Shattuck 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, Apostles Creed, and Catholic authors, learn profound prayer models to honor the Holy Souls and to uncover their spiritual attribute and to consult our genealogies for healing our family trees.

Date: Sunday, November 16
Note corrected date

**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

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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**.

### This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: hriccatholic.org. Monday, November 10, Day before Veterans Day

Collaborative offices closed

Tuesday, November 11, Veterans Day

Collaborative offices closed

Breaking Bread Meal 4:45pm, IC St. Louis Hall (Please note that the weekly Breaking Bread Meal will be held as planned.)

IC SVdP Mtg. 6:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Wednesday, November 12

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Dropoff 7:00-9:00am St. Ann Hall Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church Ministry Committee Mtg. 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Thursday, November 13

Overcoming Our True Enemy Series 9:45am, IC St. Louis Hall Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, November 14

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am, IC Church AA Mtg. 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Saturday, November 15

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, November 16

Holy Souls Talk 10:05am, IC Church

**Exploring Catholicism Church Tour** 12:45pm, *IC Church* 

DAR Mtg. 1:00pm, St. Ann Hall

Youth Ministry Mtg. 6:00pm, IC Youth Ministry Room

## 2025 Grand Annual

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 (See p. 2 for addresses).

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 lapphans 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, December 4 at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. You are welcome to join us.



# Prayers for the Sick

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

Patricia Baikewicz John Bourque Kathy P. Brodeur Michael Brenner Priscilla Brown Autumn Rose Coulombe Finn Davis Kristen D'Entremont Ward Dilmore Deb Downie **Dotty Duval** Ann-Margaret Ferrante John Flynn Jeanine Ebacher Fowler

Lucas Aucamp

Renee Fowler John Gutshaw

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

# **Veterans Day**

Collaborative offices will be closed on Monday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 11 for the Veterans Day holiday.

# From Archbishop Henning

#### and Catholic Charities

Recent SNAP benefit interruptions have created an urgent crisis in our communities. Families who rely on SNAP benefits are turning to food pantries for the first time, while many regular clients are coming more frequently for groceries. Pantries are bracing for even more demand as rising healthcare premiums and cuts to food access programs are straining household budgets.

Catholic Charities and other food pantries are ramping up operations as quickly as possible, yet the uncertainty has made it extremely challenging to plan and prepare as there is no clear sense of what demand will look like in the coming weeks. This unpredictability is particularly concerning as we enter the busy holiday season.

**If you or someone you know needs help**, the Greater Boston Food Bank's Agency Locator tool lists all available food assistance options in our local communities: www.gbfb.org/need-food/.

#### If you or someone you know would like to help out:

- Financial donations allow Catholic Charities and other pantries to purchase food in bulk and be flexible to changing demand.
- Host a food drive at your workplace, parish, or organization—canned proteins, canned vegetables, and shelf-stable meals are the most urgently needed items.
   Items may also be dropped off at 44 M&T Bank branch locations throughout Eastern Massachusetts beginning Friday, November 7 for the benefit of Catholic Charities' food pantries.
- Volunteer at a Catholic Charities: (www.ccab.org/ways-to-give/volunteer/)

More information about how to help can be found at www.ccab.org/hopefortheholidays.

Every contribution—whether financial, food, or time—directly helps families who are struggling to put food on the table during this uncertain time.

Thank you.

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

# **HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program**

#### Next delivery is Wednesday, November 12



This program delivers soup, sandwiches, and casseroles to the Good Shepherd Center in Lawrence on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month.

**Sandwiches:** Popular sandwich choices are cold cuts with cheese, or peanut butter & jelly. Please do not use condiments. We ask that sandwiches be cut and individually wrapped, then placed in the bread wrapper. Please label the bread wrapper with the variety of sandwich inside.

**Soups and Casseroles:** Make your specialty soup or casserole! 1 gallon soup containers as well as foil Casserole pans are available in the St. Ann Church Hall on Wednesday mornings during sandwich drop off. Please label your soup or casserole donation and include any heating instructions.

Also welcome: any other goodies you can donate: cookies, powdered drink mixes, chips, granola bars, fresh fruit, etc.

Drop off is at St. Ann Church, West Newbury from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

If you would like more information or have any questions about the HRIC Soup and Sandwich program, scan the QR code.



# Planning Ahead for the Holidays



The 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month are the scheduled delivery dates for the HRIC Soup and Sandwich Program. However, the 4th Wednesday in the months of November and December falls on the day before Thanksgiving and the day before Christmas, respectively. Because The Good Shepherd Soup Kitchen typically receives a large number of generous food donations prior to these two

holidays, we are suspending the program for Wednesday, November 26 and Wednesday, December 24. Thank you for your continued generous support of this important program!

#### Remaining 2025 Scheduled Soup & Sandwich Delivery Dates:

November 12 December 10 Nevember 26 (Suspended)
December 24 (Suspended)

# Important Request from the Social Action/Justice Committee

The government shutdown has resulted in a dramatic increase in our neighbors who are experiencing food insecurity. Those affected include veterans, elderly folks, families with children, and many people who find themselves with unstable income.

To aid those in need, please bring non-perishable food and personal care products with you when you attend Mass. Gray bins will be in the back of all of the Collaborative churches for your contributions. Examples of items to bring include canned vegetables, toilet paper, peanut butter, and pasta.

If everyone brings a couple of items, the bounty will be substantial. Thank you in advance for caring and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we **will** make a difference for folks who otherwise might go hungry. God bless you all.

The next Social Action/Justice committee meeting will be on **November 19 at 6:30 p.m.** in IC St Louis Hall. Please look for an agenda to follow in next weeks' bulletin. If you have any ideas or suggestions for projects, please attend a meeting or speak to one of the committee members. All are welcome.

# **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 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.

### 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.



Last Sunday, our Faith Formation classes celebrated All Saints Day with an All Saints Festival.



#### **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.

### **Bulletin Information**

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

# 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 the Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to learn more.

# St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drop Boxes



Immaculate Conception SVdP offers a St. Vincent de Paul clothing drop box. We are accepting clothing and shoes only in the drop box. The box is located behind the IC Parish Center, nearest Green Street.

Holy Redeemer SVdP offers St. Vincent de Paul clothing drop boxes at two locations. One is located in the Nativity church parking lot and another is located at the West Newbury Food Mart lot (Main St.).

# **Questions of the Week**



**Adult**: Do you give out of the extra that you have or from what you have even in your need?

**Child**: If you get an allowance or you receive a gift of money, have you ever spent it on someone else?

Pictured are a few of the costumes at the end of Mass, Saints Bingo, Pin the Halo on the Saint and a lesson on Sts. Francis, Clare and Agnes of Assisi before a lively potato sack race.

# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

# **HR Offertory Collection**

HR Offertory, Nov. 1–2 \$2,129.00
HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct.31 \$1,355.00
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$513.00

Total Weekly Offertory, Nov. 1–2 \$3,997.00

Hurricane Melissa Relief, Nov. 1–2 \$1,158.00

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Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to **Holy Redeemer Parish** with the second collection noted in the memo.

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: hriccatholic.org/hr-online-giving.

HR Grand Annual Goal \$25,000 To Date \$8,785.00



# HR St. Vincent de Paul

#### Oh SNAP!

As we wrote last week, perhaps when you're reading this, the US government shutdown will have ended. If the shutdown lasts later into November, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) remains on hold. More than 1.1 million MA residents rely on SNAP to afford food—32% are children, 26% are seniors, and 31% are people with disabilities.

There are 528 families in Merrimac and 128 families in West Newbury affected by this interruption in SNAP benefits. These are our neighbors!

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 churches at St. Ann and Nativity 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. Thank you for all you do.



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# **Adoration at Nativity Church**



Eucharistic Adoration is offered on Wednesdays from 3:00–4:00 p.m. at Church of the Nativity. Join us weekly for one hour of Sacred Silence.



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.

<u>Baked Goods</u>: *Nancy Jean (978) 363-5416* Cookies, pies, bars, muffins: label items, state if nuts are included.

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. Bring donations to
Nativity Hall starting November 10. We will NOT be
accepting any items after Friday, November 14.

<u>Silent Auction Items</u>: 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.

# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

### 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!



St. Ann Flower Bed \$18.750.00 To Date \$17,220,00





**Before** 

After

# IMMACUALTE CONCEPTION PARISH

# A VISIT WITH SR. MARY BRALEY



We were blessed recently to visit Sr. Mary at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth in Nazareth, Kentucky. Pictured: St. Vincent's Church



The order was started by Mother Catherine Spalding



Mother Catherine's Desk

We ioined her for Mass, lunch at the historic Old Talbot Tavern. and a tour of the Motherhouse with a chance to meet many of the residents there.



Initially the site of Nazareth College, this beautiful, multi-acre campus includes St. Vincent's Church, the residence house and Heritage Center, conference facilities, cemetery, and low-income housing.



The Pelican Window



Approximately 100 sisters occupy this pastoral place from both the Nazareth and Pittsburgh, PA orders.



before the statue of the Immaculate Conception, "Je suis l'immaculée Conception."



Sr. Mary is as lively as ever! She was overwhelmed by the many cards we brought with well wishes from everyone at Immaculate Conception and said she misses everyone but is very happy to be back in Nazareth where she attended college and took her vows. It was a true gift to spend time with her in this holy place, and she is eager to welcome more visitors from Newburyport! ~Pat and Jon Temple

# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

# **IC Offertory Collection**

IC Offertory, Nov. 1–2 \$7,302.00
IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct. 31
IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$3,453.00
Total Weekly Offertory, Nov. 1–2 \$11,767.00
Hurricane Melissa Relief, Nov. 1–2 \$3,406.00

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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 \$41,765.00



### **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.



IC Outdoor Nativity Goal: \$22,000.00 To Date: \$23,175.00



# **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**

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# 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 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 or email: svdp.ic42@gmail.com.** We are ready to assist.

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

#### **Breaking Bread Meal**

Please note that our weekly Breaking Bread Meal will be open on Veterans Day, Tuesday, November 11.

We serve our weekly Breaking Bread meal on Tuesday evenings. It is a hot, nourishing, 3-course dinner. Supper is served from 4:45–5:30. Those who prefer to continue "Grab & Go" can pick up at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome!



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"Jesus Wept." John 11:35

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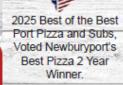
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