

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17, 2025

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All Are Welcome

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

Luke 12: 49



Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

St. Ann

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

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

Nativity

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

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

Immaculate Conception

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

Phone: 978-462-2724
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St. Mary's Cemetery

36 Storey Avenue, Newburyport 01950

Immaculate Conception School

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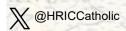
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Confessions

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











Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes



COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (8/16)

4:00pm IC Paul Flaherty, Richard A. Pote (Bishop Hennessey & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)

Sunday (8/17)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Morin)

9:00am IC (Bishop Hennessey & Deacon

Moranski)

10:00am **St. Ann** *Joe Jean* (Fr. Stanley)

11:00am IC Joseph & Joel Pappalardo, Rob

Giugno (Bishop Hennessey & Deacon Moranski)

Monday (8/18)

9:00am IC John Gillis (Fr. Stanley)

Tuesday (8/19)

9:00am IC Joan Contarino (Fr. Stanley)

Wednesday (8/20)

9:00am IC Gary Welch (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (8/21)

9:00am IC Arlene V. Odierno Pote (Fr. Richard)

Friday (8/22)

9:00am IC John Stanier (Fr. Richard)

Saturday (8/23)

4:00pm St. Ann (Bishop Hennessey & Deacon

4:00pm IC Angelo & Eleanor Messina, Mary & Albert Salerno (Fr. Matugas)

Sunday (8/24)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Stanley)

9:00am IC (Fr. Matugas & Deacon Dow)

10:00am St. Ann (Fr. Stanley)

11:00am IC Ralph Filomia, Jack Costello

(Fr. Matugas & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers please remember Patricia Caswell, John L. Gagnon, 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.

Collaborative Calendar



Check out our online Collaborative calendar. It lists Mass times and all Collaborative events and activities. Access it through the calendar tab on our website: hriccatholic.org, or you can scan the QR code.



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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes

Bulletin Information

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



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.

Exploring Catholicism

Know Someone Who's Curious?



Maybe it's your neighbor. Your adult child. A friend at work. Someone asking big questions—or just quietly searching.

know about "Exploring them Catholicism." weekly our drop-in conversation for anyone curious about the Catholic faith. It happens every

Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (10:00-11:30 a.m.) in Room 206 of the IC Pastoral Center.

commitments, no sign-ups—just open doors. Sometimes the best way to evangelize is simply to share the invitation.

Aug 17: Mary and the Saints

Aug 24: The "Last Things" (aka Eschatology)

(Aug 31: Labor Day weekend; no session)

For questions or to learn more, contact: Aaron Giard, OCIA Director, (978) 462-2724, agiard@hriccatholic.org.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: hriccatholic.org. **Monday, August 18**

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

Tuesday, August 19

Women's AA Mtg. 7:00am, St. Ann Hall Breaking Bread Meal 4:45pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Wednesday, August 20

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

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

Thursday, August 21

Mysteries of the Rosary Video Series 9:45am, IC St. Louis Hall Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, August 22

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

Saturday, August 23

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

St. Mary's Cemetery



Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue in Newburyport. 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. Cemetery plots are available for full-body and cremated remains burials in any denomination.

Call Joseph Viel, Mill City Management Corporation, at 978-208-0266 to schedule an appointment.

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Seeking community, connection, and a way to grow closer to Christ this summer?

Women at the Well invites you to join us for a summer book discussion on *Sincerely, Stoneheart* by Emily Wilson (available in paperback, Kindle, and audiobook).

Next meeting: August 28 at 7:30 p.m.



ALL are welcome! Summer is the perfect time to join us.

Please email HRICWomenattheWell@gmail.com to join the email list and get more details.



Recently some parishioners visited Fr. Bill in Winthrop. They all had a nice dinner out and then sat outdoors for a bit near Winthrop Harbor. The moon was full, the breeze was cooling, and the company was grand.

Women's Retreat



The Guest House of Saint Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, MA has been reserved for the exclusive use of the women of Holy Redeemer and Immaculate Conception Parishes from Monday, December 1-Friday, December 5. Spend a week in silent prayer and meditation joining the community of Monks at daily Mass and at various hours of the day and night as they sing the Divine Office. There is also a daily conference given by one of the Monks. The Guest House welcomes 11 quests (all private rooms with bath). The cost for the mid-week retreat is \$500.00 per person with arrival Monday at 3:00 p.m. and departure on Friday after breakfast. Make your reservation with a check payable to Immaculate Conception Parish for \$500.00 (Memo line: Spencer Retreat). Act quickly—the space is limited. If you have questions or want more information, please see or leave a message in the offices for Fr. George Morin.

Mass Scripture Readings

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass can be found on the United States Conference 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.)

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Catholic Appeal



Our Collaborative benefits directly from the Catholic Appeal in many ways and we are blessed to have an opportunity to partner in this annual effort. As Catholics, each of us shares the responsibility of the Church community—

both directly within our Collaborative and to the greater Church. The Appeal is the primary source of funds for so many programs and ministries that extend far beyond the scope of any individual church.

Because of you, thousands across our Archdiocese are developing a deeper relationship with the faith. The needs of the vulnerable are being addressed with tender care, the curiosity of Catholic school children is being fed with faith, and parishes are being supported with the resources needed to thrive. These are just a few of the many ways that your support is changing lives for the better.

Thank you to all who have participated in our campaigns. Your gift supports the daily functions and operations of the HRIC Collaborative while also addressing the many challenges facing our communities across our Archdiocese. For this and many reasons, your participation is vital.

If you have yet to make a gift, your prayerful consideration is truly appreciated. We are stronger together and the success of the Appeal relies on our collective generosity. Thank you for responding in faith, hope, and charity as we exercise our support of the 2025 Catholic Appeal!

Questions of the Week



Adult: How do you bear the burdens of life in a faithful way?

Child: When is it hard to follow Jesus?

Adoration: Where the Stewardship of Responsibility is Born



Adoration will expand your vision and entrust you with a specific mission–perhaps as a prayer warrior or seed-planter or passionate apologist! Your apprenticeship awaits at Adoration. Listen. Jesus is calling you; He is eager to commission you as His ambassador!

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)

Recitation of the Rosary

Join us for recitation of the rosary Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. (before 9:00 Mass) in person at IC Church or on Facebook. www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/.



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
Finn Davis
Kristen D'Entremont
Ward Dilmore
Deb Downie
Dotty Duval
Ann-Margaret

Ferrante
John Flynn
Jeanine Ebacher
Fowler

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John Gutshaw Ed Hardy Jane Harney Chloe Hequet Loriann Herrick Emma Hurley Armand Hyatt Carol Johnson Derek Johnson Steve Johnson Michael Juralewicz Arthur LaPointe Michael Lichtenstein Donna Limone Johannah Lord Monica Maguire Sia Mahalati Michael Marchese Michael Martens

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Sandra Welch

Contact Collaborative offices to **remove** or to **add** someone on 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 the Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to learn more.

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

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Harvest Fair Wall of Wine

The annual Harvest Fair on October18 is fast approaching! We need your help filling the wall.



The "Wall of Wine" is filled with bottles of wine valued between \$15 – \$75 or more! Each bottle will be in a foil sack and numbered. Red foil for red/rosé wines, Silver foil for white wines.

As a parishioner, you can help make this booth a success by purchasing one or more bottles of wine valued at \$15.00 or more and donate them to the Wall of Wine.

Bring your donation to church and place it in the "wine bin" in the Green St. entrance.

The bin will be emptied each weekend.

Missionary Cooperative Appeal Weekend at IC

On the weekend of **August 23–24**, Immaculate Conception Parish will host **Fr. Joeven Matugas** at all weekend Masses for the Missionary Cooperative Appeal.

Fr. Joeven Matugas, sx., is a missionary priest who belongs to the Missionary Congregation of St. Francis Xavier for Foreign Mission (Xaverian Missionaries). He is a native of the Philippines.

After his theological studies in Manila in 2011, he was sent to their Mission in Sierra Leone, West Africa for a Pastoral Year Mission Experience. He was ordained to the Priesthood in 2014 on his home island of Cebu.

After his ordination, he returned to Sierra Leone, which was his official mission assignment for the next 13 years. In the last quarter of 2024, he went to the Xaverian Missionaries' General House in Rome for a short period of rest. There, he studied the Italian language and spiritual reflections. This past January, he received his new assignment at the Mission Center of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Holliston, Massachusetts, where he arrived on April 5, 2025.

He has been asked by his community to conduct a Mission Appeal in the IC Parish by sharing his mission experiences and the charism of his congregation.

Pelican Intervention Fund



We have placed 173 local men and women into 12-step residential sober living. 12-step recovery programs receive no federal/state funding and insurance won't cover costs due to its faith-based nature. So, your support is more important than ever.

The Pelican Intervention Fund envelopes can be dropped in the collection at any time according to your means. Make checks payable to HR or IC Parish. Totals will be reported quarterly.

Visit our website at www.pelicaninterventionfund.org.

Immaculate Conception School

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SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

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- •Our magical IC North Pole Express—a December favorite for families near and far
- •A dynamic Spring Community Event

Your business will also be featured on our school website, promoted across our social media platforms, and recognized as a valued partner in the success and growth of our students.

Why sponsor?

Your partnership helps us blend tradition with innovation—delivering a faith-based, 21st-century education that empowers our students to thrive. As a sponsor, you're not just supporting events—you're investing in the future of our children and our community.

Let's build something special together!

For more information on Sponsorship Opportunities, scan the QR code or contact us at: golf@icsnewburyport.com.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Aug. 9–10 \$5,663.00 IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Aug. 8 IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$3,452.84 Total Weekly Offertory, Aug. 9–10 \$11,127.84 Monthly, Aug. 9–10 \$1,107.00 Youth Ministry, Aug. 9–10 \$851.00

The second collection this weekend (Aug. 17) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. The second collection next weekend (Aug. 24) is Missionary Cooperative Appeal.

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

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

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



Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org to learn more or to donate.



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 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, Newburyport, MA 01950.

Breaking Bread Meal

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!

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



Immaculate Conception School is pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Laura Thornton as Admissions Director. Laura holds a B.S. in Accounting from Salem State University, and brings a variety of work experiences that will serve her well in her new role. She has worked in

banking at the management level, in retail sales, management, and visual display, and manages a social media account for a well known entertainer. Laura takes over the role of an admissions specialist from veteran IC staff member, Kelley Pappalardo who is soon to retire to be a full-time grandmother!! She looks forward to enhancing the school experience and community through her contributions in this new role. Laura also brings perspective as a parent of elementary age children, who attend the IC, and from her own experiences from attending Catholic schools growing up in Melrose, MA. Laura will become a (more) familiar face in our community, so please introduce yourself when you run into her!

Interested in learning more about the benefits of a Catholic education at the IC? You are welcome to email Laura at admissions@icsnewburyport.com.

IC Youth Choir

"Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord" Psalm 100



Grades 3-8

Beginning Wednesday, September 17, IC Church

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

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

Questions, schedule, and registration form? Please email: youthchoir@hriccatholic.org.

IC Online Giving

It's convenient and safe. To learn more about online giving (one-time or recurring donation options available), visit our website, hriccatholic.org, and click the "Links" tab, then click on "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the site or contact Christine Breslow, 978-462-2724 with questions.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Aug. 9–10 \$1,760.00
HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Aug. 8
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$440.25

Total Weekly Offertory, Aug. 9–10 \$3,010.25

Monthly, Aug. 9–10 \$1,409.00

The second collection this weekend (Aug. 17) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. No second collection next weekend (Aug. 24).

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.



Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org to learn more or to donate.



HR St. Vincent de Paul

Where is your treasure?

Last Sunday's Gospel again gave us a parable. The story of the servants awaiting the return of their master (Luke 12:32–48) emphasizes the importance of living a life focused on God's kingdom, characterized by generosity and faithfulness, rather than worldly possessions and anxieties. It encourages believers to be prepared for Christ's return by actively serving God and others.

"Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms."

Your kind donations in any form are always greatly appreciated.

Our donor envelopes are now located on the table in the back of St. Ann and Nativity.

These can be mailed or placed in the poor boxes shown here. Reminder: Make sure to make checks payable to HR St. Vincent de Paul.



Save Your Baskets for the 2025 Holiday Fair

We are looking for baskets for the "Basket Table," for next year's Holiday Fair. Please leave any baskets in the back of either church and we will recycle them for next year's fair.

Also, we like to use $1\frac{1}{2} - 2$ " wired ribbon for our bows if you have any extras.

HR Activities Committee News

Next Meeting: August 27, 6:00 p.m., Nativity Hall

All are welcome to join us at our next Activities Committee on **Wednesday**, **August 27 at 6:00 p.m.** in Nativity hall. We will be planning for our September bake sale, the Veterans Day breakfast, and the Holiday Fair.

Outdoor Flowers

Many people have volunteered and helped water and weed the yards during these hot, muggy days. We could use more help. Please sign up on the papers in the back of both churches. Or, just help by stopping and checking if the flowers need a drink!

September Bake Sale

We are planning a bake sale the weekend of September 20 –21 to raise money to buy fall flowers for both churches. Please consider making a batch of your favorite cookies to donate to the table.

Planning for Veterans Day in November

Veterans Day is November 11. The Activities Committee wants to celebrate our Veterans! We are planning a celebration after each Mass on Sunday, November 9. Please, write your name and email (or a veteran you know) on the paper in the back of the church so we can invite you.



St. Ann Church Flower Bed



We are looking to replace the tired railroad-tie flower bed on the parking lot side of St. Ann Church in West Newbury with a new, brick flower bed that will match the front corner brickwork that was done several years ago.

The total cost of this project is approximately \$17,000.00. Special undated envelopes have been added to the envelope packs that are regularly sent out to those on the envelope system. Additional blank envelopes may be found in St. Ann Church. Parishioners are invited to contribute towards this goal in the months ahead.

An anonymous parishioner has stepped forward and generously agreed to match other parishioners' donations up to \$10,000.

When we have raised sufficient funds, we will complete the project, hopefully sometime this fall or early next year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with Fr. Tim or Dennis LaMalfa at our Collaborative offices. Many thanks for your generosity and support!

HR Parish

The HR Activities Committee held their Merrimac Old Home Days Chicken BBQ social last Saturday at Nativity Hall. The food was delicious and the company was delightful! The "Holy Lights" recycled candle sales were a hit at the craft fair. Thanks to all who worked to make this happen.

HR Online Giving

It's convenient and safe. To learn more about online giving (one-time or recurring donation options available), visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then click on "HR Parish Online Giving" to get to the site or contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Finance Councils

The finance councils function as advisory boards to the pastor is to oversee the financial management of our two parishes. Each parish has a separate finance council. Please contact the Collaborative offices should you have any questions, and we can put you in touch with someone on the councils.

The councils can advise in budgeting, financial planning, and stewardship to ensure that resources are managed wisely. Their responsibilities include reviewing financial reports, advising on investments and expenditures, and ensuring compliance with legal and ethical standards of the parishes and the Archdiocese. The IC council also advises on aspects of the IC school and cemetery.

If you are interested in becoming a member of one of our finance councils please contact the Collaborative offices for more information: 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604.

Members

IC: Jeff Kirpas-chair, Richie Eaton, Mike Zerigian, and Stephen Blanchette

HR: Bob Harrington and Sherry Robbins.

Collaborative Ministry Fair



The Collaborative Ministry Committee will sponsor a Ministry Fair after all Masses at IC on the weekend of September 6/7 and at HR September 13/14. On those weekends we will have tables set up after the Masses where representatives of all of our Collaborative Ministries will be present to explain what they do to serve our parish and local communities and to encourage new volunteers. We invite you to please

stop by the respective parish halls to enjoy some refreshments and to learn more about what parish members are doing in the community and how you might become part of one or more of them. If you have any questions, please call Jim Williamson at 603-491-9916.

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

Congratulations to Knights of Columbus Council #231!



Newburyport Council #231 of the Knights of Columbus was recently honored with the 100% Membership Gain Award for the 2025 Fraternal Year. This recognition reflects our growing commitment to faith, service, and charity within the Collaborative and local community.

Catholic men 18 and older are invited to join us in our mission of brotherhood and service. To learn more, contact Joe Fernandez, Council Financial Secretary, at kofc231@outlook.com.



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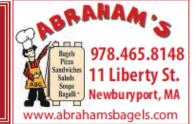
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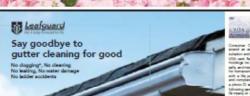
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