## HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 21, 2025

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All Are Welcome





### 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

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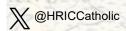
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#### Confessions

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











Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes



### **Mass Schedule**

#### Saturday (9/20)

4:00pm IC Paul Neil Kane, Katherine Ann O'Connell, Carmella Herlihy (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm Nativity (Fr. Stanley)

#### Sunday (9/21)

8:30am Nativity Maria & Jozef Kardas (Fr. Morin) 9:00am IC (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Moranski) 10:00am St. Ann Luella LeBlanc (Fr. Morin) 11:30am IC Alan Chu, Edward Ferreira, Dorothy Sodano (Fr. Stanley)

Monday (9/22)

9:00am IC (Fr. Harrison)

**Tuesday (9/23)** 

9:00am IC (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (9/24)

9:00am **IC** Armand Hyatt (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (9/25)

9:00am IC Arthur (Art) Murphy (Fr. Morin)

Friday (9/26)

9:00am **IC** Jeffrey Stone, Paul Mcleod and for the needs of families (Fr. Morin)

Saturday (9/27)

4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow) 4:00pm **IC** Patricia McCarthy, George Schwend (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (9/28)

8:30am **Nativity** *John R. Minihan* (Fr. Harrison) 9:00am **IC** *Teresa Blanchard* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

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

11:30am **IC** *Mary Prescott, Michael Winiewicz, James E. Farley* (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

In your prayers please remember Nicole Ousler, William R. Power, Robert Murray 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.

# HRIC Jubilee Pilgrimage

Monday, September 29 8:30 a.m.

Departure from IC parking lot



### St. Joseph the Worker Shrine, Lowell, MA

- · Tour of the shrine and museum
- An opportunity for confession
- · A trip to the gift shop
- Mass at noon, concelebrated by Fr. Harrison
- Lunch at Tavern on the Square in Lowell

Contact Collaborative Offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) to RSVP.

This Jubilee year 2025 recommends a pilgrimage by the faithful to designated holy sites throughout the world. St. Joseph the Worker Shrine, Lowell is one of the designated sites for the Archdiocese of Boston.

### This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: hriccatholic.org.

Monday, September 22

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

Tuesday, September 23

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

HR Activities Committee Mtg. 6:00pm, St. Ann Hall

Wednesday, September 24

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Dropoff 7:00-9:00 a.m., St. Ann Hall

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

Evening of Reflection 6:00pm, IC Church

Thursday, September 25

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, September 26

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

Saturday, September 27

SVdP Friends of the Poor Walk 10:00am, IC Church Parking Lot

Pastoral Council Mtg. 9:00am, IC Church

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, September 28

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

### **HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program**

Next delivery is Wednesday, September 24



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

resuming the delivery of soups! Soup containers are available in the St. Ann Church Hall on Wednesday mornings during drop off times. Casseroles are always welcome! Foil casserole pans are available in the St. Ann Church Hall on Wednesday mornings during drop off times.

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. Cold cuts with cheese and peanut butter & jelly are favorites. Please do not use condiments.

Also welcome are party-sized powdered drink mixes such as iced tea, lemonade, and Kool-Aid, along with fresh fruits and goodies. If you have an abundant harvest from your garden, consider bringing a few extra vegetables along with your sandwiches, soups, or casseroles. They will be greatly appreciated!

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

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

### **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 Michael Juralewicz Ward Dilmore Deb Downie **Dotty Duval** Joan Esile Ann-Margaret Ferrante John Flynn

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

### Shawls and Lapghans



Jeanine Ebacher

Fowler

Renee Fowler

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

### Cursillo Corner



The opportunity to share in this 3-day, joyful re-introduction to the love of Christ has begun again at St. Basil's Seminary in Methuen. All are encouraged to further explore Cursillo as a

part of your faith journey. Weekends are listed below.

October 2-5 December 4-7 January 29–Febuary 1 April 9-12

Women November 6-7 January 8–10 March 5–8 April 30–May 3 June 4-7

Contacts: Pat Temple 617-899-0424, Jonathan Temple 978-809-9337

### **Ouestions of the Week**



Adult: Is the role of being a servant to others easy or difficult for you to embrace?

Child: How hard is it for you to let someone else be first in line or to try something new that seems fun?

### Vatican International Exhibits of Eucharistic Miracles



St. Carlo Acutis lived in Italy from 1990-2006. During his short 15 1/2 years, he was always joyfully sharing the faith, especially his love of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. At the age of 11, as part of his work as a catechist, he created a website which catalogued many of the principal Eucharistic Miracles which have taken place throughout the world and have been recognized by the Church.

### October 4-5, 2025 Immaculate Conception School

Featuring St. Carlo Acutis, the first Millenial to be beatified. The exhibit will be open at the following times: Saturday, October 4, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There will be talks about St. Carlo Acutis to be given on Saturday and Sunday surrounding Mass times.

If you would be willing to help volunteer to chaperone this event, please contact Amanda Barcus at 516-884-4779.

### **Exploring Catholicism**

#### Come and See



Has something been stirring in you? A desire to reconnect with faith, or explore it for the first time? "Exploring Catholicism" is a weekly space for questions, curiosity, and encounter. It is held Sundays after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (10:00-11:30 a.m.) in CATHOLICISM Room 206 of the IC Pastoral Center.

No pressure. No sign-ups. Just a conversation for those wondering what a life of faith might look like and what it might mean to truly seek and better follow Christ.

Bring a friend. Come as you are.

Sept. 21: What If Jesus Really Was Who He Claimed to Be? Sept. 28: Why The Church Isn't a Merely Human Institution. For questions or to learn more, contact: Aaron Giard, OCIA Director, (978) 462-2724, agiard@hriccatholic.org.

Please email any 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.

### Celebrate our Polish Saints



Over the years, we have honored the Blessed Mother, St. Patrick, and St. Joseph with festive celebrations. Now it is time to celebrate some of our more notable Polish saints, Saint John Paul II. Saint Faustina, and St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Join us on October 4 in IC St. Louis Hall following the 4:00 p.m. Mass for faith, fun, and fellowship including an Eastern European feast of salads and breads, kielbasa and sauerkraut, pierogis (dumplings), golubki (cabbage rolls) and some typical sweet treats.

Tickets are \$20 and will be available for purchase at the Ministry Fair on September 6 and 7 at IC St. Louis Hall and after each weekend Mass during the month of September. Tickets are also available at the parish office.

Come and learn about the lives of these holy people and the special place they hold in our Church. There is only one seating so get your tickets quickly!

#### Polish Saint Highlight: St. Faustina: Divine Mercy

St. Faustina was born Maria Faustyna Kowlska in Glogowiecz, Poland on August 25,1925 to a poor family. Young and uneducated, she entered the convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Poland during the 1930s.



In 1931, she began experiencing revelations from Christ with a message of mercy for all mankind. Jesus asked Sr. Faustina to record these experiences, which she compiled into notebooks. These notebooks are known today as the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska and carry within them instructions to paint the image she saw including the inscription, Jesus, I trust in you.

She writes that his message asked "this image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter; that Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy. On that day, the depths of My Mercy will be open to all. Whoever will go to confession and Holy Communion on that day will receive complete forgiveness of sin and punishment. Mankind will not enjoy peace until it returns to My Mercy."

For several years, St. Faustina continued to receive messages including a vision which taught her what is now known as the Chaplet of Divine Mercy to be preceded by the nine-day Novena to Divine Mercy.

This information caused initial concern within the Holy See which prohibited the dissemination of Faustina's claims in 1959. After twenty years of silence and, after an examination of new material, the decision was reversed in 1978 and devotion again permitted.

Faustina died in Krakow, Poland in October 1938. St. John Paul II canonized St. Faustina in April 2000, making her the "first saint of the new millennium." Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her Diary, the Pope called her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time."

Source: The Divine Mercy, Catholic Culture

### Clergy Benefit Trust Collection September 21–22

This week's second collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org

### **Adoration: Listener's Choice**

Adoration is the time to not speak but to listen.



Dial down words to dial into the choicest Word of the Lord meant to assign you your mission. Echo Samuel's words of spiritual availability: "Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening."

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)

### **Evening of Reflection**

Wednesday, September 24, 2025 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.



Immaculate Conception Church, led by Fr. Harrison

The Collaborative Ministry Committee invites all Collaborative members who are currently involved, or thinking about getting involved, in any one of the ministries serving our Collaborative and our local community, to an The Evening of Reflection, led by our pastor, Fr. Harrison. This will be our third annual event, and we hope you can join us on Wednesday. This is a follow-up to the Ministry Fairs in our parishes that were held over the past two weekends., where we have highlighted all that is happening in our Collaborative and the need to get more parishioners involved. We know you will enjoy the evening.

#### Appreciation Luncheon for All Collaborative Ministers

Sunday, October 26, 2025

12:30 p.m., IC School Gym

Please watch for further details and look for an invitation and RSVP notice for the Luncheon from your Ministry leader.

### **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 will begin to meet on select Sunday evenings starting September 28 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. Other fall dates include October 5 and 19, November 2, 16, and 30, and December 14. Families are encouraged to reach out to Aaron (978-462-2724,

agiard@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.

We are accepting donations to this ministry. We are looking for cash/check donations to buy hospitality items like food and drink as well as any board games and such (Make checks payable to the parish, but include "Youth Ministry" in the notes). We also accept direct donations of games like a ping pong table or board games and outdoor games teens would enjoy. Donations can be dropped off at the IC Pastoral Center business office.

#### **Youth Choir**

Students in grades 3-8 are welcome to join.

#### Beginning Wednesday, September 17, IC Church



Pur Rehearsals: 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!

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

### 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.

### **Knights of Columbus**

All men of the Collaborative, 18 years or older, are welcome to join the Knights. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the IC Nazareth Library. For more information about our meetings or to join the Knights, call 978-225-0804 or email kofc231@outlook.com.

Our next meeting is **Tuesday**, **October 14 at 7:00 p.m.** in the IC Nazareth Library.

### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

### **IC Offertory Collection**

IC Offertory, Sept. 13–14 \$5,782.00 IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Sept. 12 IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving \$3,669.00 \$12,993.00 Monthly, Sept. 13–14 \$2,330.00

The second collection this weekend (Sept. 21) is Clergy Benefit Trust. See page 6 for details. The second collection next weekend (Sept. 28) is Ongoing Church Maintenance.

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

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

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



IC Outdoor Nativity Goal: \$22,000.00 To Date: \$11,200.00



### **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.

### **Tootsie Roll Drive**

The Newburyport Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Tootsie Roll Drive fundraiser after all IC weekend Masses on October 11–12.

Please stop by and support the Knights! Or Venmo the Knights @KofC231.



### **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.

### **Immaculate Conception School**

On September 12, our school community gathered for our first Mass of the year—a cherished tradition that marks the beginning of our journey together. The pews were filled with the joyful sounds of students, each seated with their Church Buddy. This special pairing connects older and younger students, fostering friendship and mentorship in our faith.

Our 8th graders led the Mass, reading and leading prayers with voices that rang out strong and confident. Their conviction set an inspiring tone for the year ahead, and serves as an example of the leadership that 8th grade students provide for their younger school-mates.

Father Tim's homily brought the Gospel message to life in a memorable way. Drawing from Timothy 1, he asked, "Can a blind person guide a blind person?" With the help of our students in a short role-play, *pictured*, he illustrated how we need guidance and trust in those who lead us.



The lesson was clear: we are called to support, guide, and lift one another on our spiritual journeys.

Prayer holds special value in our school, offering children a moment of reflection, peace, and connection with God amid their busy days. As we begin this school year, may we continue to walk in faith, supporting each other as Church Buddies, classmates, and friends. Let us remember that with God's guidance—and each other—we never walk alone.

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

### **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.

### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

### Harvest Fair 2025

October 18, 9:00-3:00, IC School Gym.

• 20 artisans/crafters • Wall of Wine• Scratch Ticket Tree • Grandma's Attic • All Holiday Table • Raffle Table with 25+ gorgeous baskets • Bake Table • door prize every hour • and Jan's famous fish chowder!

#### All Holiday Grandma's Attic Items Needed

Please help us make this year's Harvest Fair a big success! Plastic bins are available in the Parish Center for collecting donations for Grandma's Attic and All Holiday tables.

#### Bake Sale Items Needed

Get a head start! Baked goods are needed. It's not too early to start baking and freezing cakes, breads, and cookies. Pies are welcome as well as gluten-free items.

Also, don't forget, baskets for the Raffle Table are due the weekend of September 27-28. Baskets can either be decorated or you can leave items loose for the committee to decorate.

### Harvest Fair Wall of Wine

The annual Harvest Fair on October 18 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.

### **Music Ministry Notes**

We are looking for new members to join us.

Adult Choir: Individuals, grade 9-adult sing every week at the 11:30 a.m. Sunday liturgies. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:45 p.m. in the choir loft. We have availability for new members so why not give us a try by singing with us for the Advent/Christmas season? It's time well spent filled with lots of faith, friends, and fun. This choir also sings on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. and performs at fundraising concerts for the local community at different times throughout the year.

Adult and Youth Choirs are currently looking for new **members.** There are no auditions—everyone is welcome. Why not give us a try? You'll have lots of fun, make new friends, fine-tune your talents, and receive a multitude of blessings in return. Come and join us today!



Questions? Call Donna Postle, IC Music Director, at (978) 317-8903.



### Walk With US!



### **SATURDAY SEPT. 27th**

Starting at 10 AM @ I. C. Church Parking Lot

- This is the major fundraiser for the Society. We need walkers and sponsors to make this event a success. Join your fellow parishioners and/or make a pledge for one of our walkers.
- This weekend there will be a table at the rear of IC church to sign up in advance to walk or sponsor. Or you may pick up the registration and sponsor forms, complete at home, and return them to the registration table with payment the day of the walk.
- On the day of the event, 9:00 a.m. registration begins. The walk will begin promptly at 10:00, beginning and ending in the IC parking lot.
- This is approximately a 3 mile walk easy enough for all ages. As they have in the past, Frs. Charlie, George, and Tim will be walking and are looking for sponsors. If you'd like to simply make a donation or would like to sponsor one (or all) of our priests, you may sign up to do so this weekend at the back of the church.
- Direct donations may also be made on our website: svdpnewburyport.org or by using the QR code below.

We pray that all parishioners, their families, and friends will join us on our Friends of the Poor Walk so that we may continue to serve the growing needs of our community.

#### SCAN TO DONATE



Street, Nbpt., MA 01950.



### 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



#### **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!

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### HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

### **HR Offertory Collection**

HR Offertory, Sept. 13-14 HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Sept. 12 HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving

Total Weekly Offertory, Sept. 13-14

Monthly, Sept. 13-14

\$2,137,00 50.00

140.00 \$2,327.00

\$1,357.00

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St. Ann Flower Bed Goal \$18,750.00 To Date \$16,720.00



### 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.

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. Harrison or Dennis LaMalfa at our Collaborative offices. Many thanks for your generosity and support!

### Save Your Baskets for the 2025 Holiday Fair

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

### HR Activities Committee News

Next Meeting: September 23, 6:00 p.m., St. Ann Hall

All are welcome to join us at our next Activities Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 23 at 6:00 p.m. in St. Ann hall. We will be planning for the Veterans Day breakfast and the Holiday Fair.

#### September Bake Sale



Proceeds will be used to buy fall flowers for both churches. Stop by this weekend! Cookbooks will also be available.

#### **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.



### HR St. Vincent de Paul

Talk the Talk and Walk the Walk!



The Holy Redeemer conference will once again be raising money as part of the national Friends of the Poor Walk conducted each year in connection with the celebration of the feast of our patron St. Vincent de Paul.

The Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Saturday, September 27 in conjunction with the Immaculate Conception conference. Registration will be in the IC Green Street parking lot at 9:00 a.m., and the walk will start at 10:00 a.m. We will be starting and ending at the IC parking lot. We encourage all Holy Redeemer parishioners, families, and friends to join us as we walk through downtown Newburyport to raise awareness and money so we can continue to serve the many needs in our communities.

Donations can be made in person at registration or using the envelopes provided in the pews of reach church. The QR code here takes you to our PayPal account for direct online donations. Alternatively, use the URL https://bit.ly/stvincentholy-redeemer. As always, we appreciate your generosity and ask that you pray for the success of our work.





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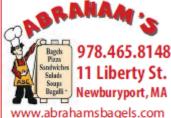
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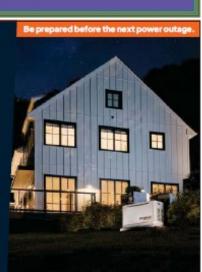
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