

HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
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SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

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*As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Mk 1:16-17)*

*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

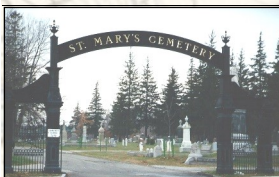
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# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday (1/23)

4:00pm **Live-Stream** *Mary E. Lefebre, Richard Lysik, Anita & Francis Babineau* (Fr. Harrison)

### Sunday (1/24)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. McLaughlin)  
9:30am **St. Ann** (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)  
11:30am **IC** *Patricia Vavro, Richard Noyes*  
(Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)

### Monday (1/25)

9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

### Tuesday (1/26)

9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

### Wednesday (1/27)

9:00am **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)

### Thursday (1/28)

9:00am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

### Friday (1/29)

9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

### Saturday (1/30)

4:00pm **IC Live-Stream** *Rose Thorsen* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)

### Sunday (1/31)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Stanley)  
9:30am **St. Ann** *John Pallone* (Fr. McLaughlin)  
11:30am **IC** *Derider Marton* (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers, please remember Aurelia Carter and all the faithful departed.

*IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport*

*Nativity—Merrimac*

*St. Ann—West Newbury*

**Saturday Live-Stream Vigil Masses are broadcast online through [Facebook](#).**



Find us on Facebook: [Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes](#)

## Virtual Rosary



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

**Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.**

## Watch Mass on Facebook

**To watch our Saturday live-stream Masses:**

1. Go to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/>) at the appointed time. If you don't have a Facebook page, you can still watch the live stream from your computer, smartphone, or tablet using the above link.
2. Click the "videos" link on the page.
3. The **LIVE** video should be the first one on the list.

## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

When all is right with the world, when everything is going our way, when we have no cares to keep us up and awake at night, when peace and goodness just ooze from our pores...it can seem easy to follow the ways of God. Attend a worship service, say a prayer for someone less fortunate than ourselves, give to charity, help out with some volunteering...and do it all with a smile that exudes our inner joy.



Sounds nice, doesn't it? If any of us actually have a day like that above, well...good for you! I guess we all need one or two of them here and there to keep us going. But most of life is not lived in the saccharine technicolor of a classic movie, but in the midst of pain and disappointment, indignation and frustration. We are called to engage our relationship with God whether we are feeling particularly cheerful on a given day or not. Our friendship with the Lord is not something that we can reserve only for days when we are reasonably certain that we are in a state of Grace, but it must be put into action when we are unhappy, confused, or wounded. It has to be something that is real enough that it can dwell and coexist within our souls on the bleakest of days, not just in the fair weather and sunshine. Even when we sin and persist in sinning, God's love is there for us, unchanged. Can we love God back in those dark moments, even if it is imperfect, even if our contrition needs improvement, our love purifying, and our humility a much-needed increase? In other words, do we need to completely get our act together in order to follow Christ, or can we work on it along the way?

The Scriptures we encounter this weekend give us some hints that ongoing conversion is the name of the game for us disciples. Starting with the example of Jonah, we see how God can work through our greatest prejudices and hatred. Jonah, plain and simple, hated the Ninevites. Rather than embrace an apostolic zeal for their repentance and conversion, Jonah would have liked nothing better than to see the Ninevites be destroyed and consumed in divine fire and brimstone. So much so, being the prophetic instrument of their conversion was the last thing he wanted to see happen. So he travelled in the opposite direction away from Nineveh, and when he reached the edge of the sea and could walk no more, he boarded a boat to go farther, when he was cast into the sea, swallowed by a fish and spat up upon the shore. Only then did he resign

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## Register to Attend Mass

To register to attend an in-person Mass celebrated in our Collaborative, go to the "Attend a Mass" section on our website: [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) to link to the signup page. At this time **a reservation is required** to attend a live Mass for capacity limits and contact tracing purposes.

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himself to the fact that he had to do what God had in store for him. And even then, can you imagine a more half-hearted prophet than Jonah? His actual preaching must have been far from the enthusiastic and passionate proclamation of God's Word that we expect of someone on a divine mission. And yet, because Jonah actually went ahead and did what God asked of him, God's Word was effective. And the Ninevites repented. And Jonah was left to sort out his anger and frustration. God's care for Jonah was constant, however, as was God's care for the Ninevites who were lost in their sins and confusion. That Jonah's personal holiness needed some sprucing up did not deter God's Word from working powerfully through him, despite his own misunderstandings and indignation. Read the whole Book of Jonah sometime. It is short—only 4 chapters. And see if you don't recognize yourself in some of its many-colored characters. The line about the King decreeing that every man and beast shall be covered in sackcloth as a sign of repentance surely underscores the hyperbole of it all! Can you imagine trying that with your cat?

And then we have the encounter of Christ calling the fishermen: Simon and Andrew, James and John. Now, lest we think of these 4 as angelic souls just waiting for someone to ask them to go do something good for some unfortunate other....Let's take a reality check here. They were fishermen. They had what is arguably one of the most difficult and dangerous jobs on the planet both in Jesus' time as well as ours. They fished in all weather—heat and cold, rain and snow, wind and chill. And the occasional pleasant day, too, I guess. Many of them couldn't swim, so staying in the boat was critical to their survival. They had little "gear" to assist them—just some nets that were always in need of mending. They hauled the fish ashore by the raw strength of their backs, fighting with all their might against the billion-year-old survival instincts of the fish to get free of the net and as far away from these guys as they could. Some days the fish were more plentiful than others. Some

days there were no fish anywhere to be found. Some days they had to question whether it was all worth it. I don't know what the Hebrew version of a four-letter word might be, but you can be guaranteed that these guys knew them all. They were scrappy, salt-of-the-earth survivalists who eked out a living at the waters' edge. Paradigms of holiness? Radiating God's unconditional love? Epitomes of mercy and forgiveness? Well, not yet.

But that didn't stop Jesus from calling to them and inviting them on the journey of a lifetime, to discover, along the way, the joys and secrets of God's Kingdom that was already unfolding in their midst. You see, that is the great secret that we have been immersed in: that God's Kingdom begins in the here and now, even if it will come to its completeness later on. The point here is simple: come as you are, with all of your imperfections, sins, and shortfalls. God will not be deterred by them. God will always call us to more, but always love us as we are. And that love of God is enough to transform the most hardened of hearts and penetrate every toughened and crusty exterior. God cared for the hated Ninevites and the unwilling prophet with equal measure. God's mercy was poured out on Saul who persecuted the early Church as well as on the wealthy Corinthians whom he would one day preach to. God chose earthy fishermen to become a living testimony to the sublime and eloquent outpouring of God's love through Jesus Christ. And not one of them ever reached perfection in word or deed before beginning what would be the long pilgrimage home to their Creator.

So, wherever you are on this day, saint or sinner or somewhere in between...let us continue to seek and follow the One who transforms hearts, forgives sins, and calls us all to share in the Good News. In Jesus' Name may we have new life, and have it in abundance.

Winter blessings to all,

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

## Women at the Well Bible Study

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## Winter Weather Mass Cancellations



Due to the hazards of travel and the safety of priests and parishioners alike, this winter daily Mass within the Collaborative will be cancelled if Immaculate Conception School, Pentucket Regional, or Newburyport Public Schools **in-person classes** are cancelled or delayed because of inclement weather. WBZ Channel 4 will have the updated school cancellation information. It is also available on their website at [boston.cbslocal.com](http://boston.cbslocal.com) and we will make every effort to keep our own website and social media updated as well.

In severe situations, it may also be necessary for safety reasons to cancel weekend Masses. Again, please watch WBZ or consult the websites and/or social media for cancellation information.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. In all things, God gave us the gifts of wisdom, reason, and prudence. Let's use them wisely this winter and exercise sound judgment when considering going out in severe weather.

# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Questions of the Week



**Adult:** If you had to make a list of how you show you are a follower of Jesus, what would be on it?

**Child:** What can you do to show to your family and friends that you are a follower of Jesus?

## Collaborative Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council for the Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative serves in an advisory capacity to the Pastor on matters of importance to the Collaborative.

### Members of the Pastoral Council

Father Tim Harrison, Chair	Chris Eagan
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Kathy Betz	Deacon John Moranski
Beth Brennan	Lucia Parker
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Steve DiCamillo	Jonathan Temple
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## Daily Masses

We are now offering Daily Masses Monday–Friday at 9:00 a.m. at IC, Newburyport. No advanced signup required.

We are still in need of volunteers to help with Daily Mass for St. Ann and Nativity on Mondays and Fridays respectively. Until we gather more volunteers to help with these churches, we cannot offer Daily Mass there. If you are able to help with any of these HR Masses, please contact Sue Noyes [susanjnoyes@gmail.com](mailto:susanjnoyes@gmail.com) to learn more.

## The Bible in a Year

Have you had a chance to listen to this podcast?

*The Bible in a Year* podcast, hosted by **Fr. Mike Schmitz**, walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. It is currently the top podcast in the country on Apple Podcasts.

With this podcast, you will read the Bible in a year, learn how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story, become more confident in your understanding of Scripture, experience the power of God's Word in your daily routine, and begin to see the world through the lens of Scripture. Each daily episode is about 20 minutes long.

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## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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NEIGHBORS  
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Some in our Collaborative may have challenges getting everyday needs accomplished during the COVID-19 emergency.

Holy Redeemer-Immaculate Conception Collaborative *Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program* can help those in need within our communities of Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, and West Newbury. The focus of the program is to comfort and nurture our parish community and send its faith, love, and generosity outward by offering meaningful ways to love and serve our greater communities as this pandemic continues to pose a threat.

If you are a parishioner in the Collaborative and want assistance with fundamental needs such as grocery store runs, prescription pick ups, meal deliveries, etc., please call the Collaborative offices at **978-462-2724** or **978-346-8604** and let us know how we can help.

### Are you feeling isolated and alone during the pandemic?

Neighbors Helping Neighbors volunteers would love to give you a call to chat or send you a note. We know that this is a difficult period for everyone, particularly to those who live alone. Let us help brighten your day! If you would be interested in receiving a call or note, please call the HRIC offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 and leave your name, address and phone number and we will reach out to you.

*"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."* Galatians 6:2

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## Centering Prayer and 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 presence and action in our lives. This ancient prayer practice opens our minds and hearts to hear God's words as we continue by reading Sacred Scripture in group Lectio Divina.

For the next 30 minutes we listen to God's words, ponder and share what we hear the Lord saying to us here and now, and contemplate God's message to us and let it guide our choices and actions. Both practices strengthen our faith and reliance on God and deepen our personal relationship with God.

For more information, please call Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483.

## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### New Mass Schedule

We have revised our weekend Mass schedule.

- The **4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass** will be live-stream only.
- **In-person Mass times:**  
**Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Nativity**  
**Sunday, 9:30 a.m. St. Ann**  
**Sunday, 11:30 a.m. IC**
- Daily in-person Masses will remain at 9:00 a.m. Monday–Friday at IC.

To attend a weekend in-person Mass, please register through Eventbrite. Visit our website for the registration link: [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org).

### Prayers for the Sick

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

Dan Bedard	Mary Shachok
Priscilla Brown	Ruth Sullivan
Brett Burkinshaw	Ron Sylvester
Joe Messina	Michael Tucker
Vincent Oberhofer	

### Bulletin Information

Email all bulletin submissions by Monday at noon to [hricbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:hricbulletin@gmail.com).

### Live-streamed Ecumenical Candlelight Taizé Meditation Service

On Sunday evening, January 31, at 7:00 p.m., you are cordially invited to attend a candlelight meditation service which will be live-streamed on the Groveland Congregational Church Facebook page, and also available afterward for viewing. The program will also be available for printing on the Facebook page.

The theme of this month's service is "Behold, I make all things new!" As we begin a new year, we hope and pray for justice, peace, respect, and kindness. We pray for the guidance of God's spirit. The service is modeled after those held at the Taizé community in France, with prayer, song, scripture, petitions, and silence.

Taizé prayer is a simple form of ecumenical Christian prayer centered on scripture, silence and song. It involves singing and listening to the word of God in an atmosphere of silence and peace. The worship space will be illuminated with a multitude of candles; the music will consist of simple repeated refrains, enabling the worshippers to enter into prayer. There will be readings from scripture, petitions, and a time of silent prayer.

Why not give yourself the gift of these few moments of calm and peace in God's presence!

### Mass Scripture Readings

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass will no longer be posted in the bulletin. Instead, they can be found online at [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org) the site of the United States Council of Catholic Bishops. There you will find the daily readings, be able to listen to them on podcast, and have the opportunity to watch a short reflection piece on the readings offered by a Catholic priest, deacon, religious, or lay person.

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. Please access the HRIC webpage to learn about Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go to [www.HRICatholic.org](http://www.HRICatholic.org); click on HRIC Pastoral Plan; and then click on Lectio Divina.

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



### Word On Fire Engage

Everyone in our Collaborative now has free access to the entire Word on Fire digital video library.

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You can watch any of Bishop Barron's films or study programs whenever you want, on any device!

To access the resources of Word on Fire's ENGAGE, please register at [flocknote.com/hriccollaborative](http://flocknote.com/hriccollaborative) or by texting **HRIC** to **84576**. Once you register, you will have access to ENGAGE.

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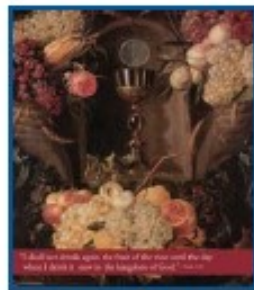
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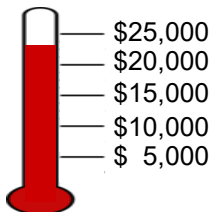
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Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, [hriccatholic.org](http://hriccatholic.org) and click the “Links” tab, then click on “HR Parish Online Giving” to get to the site. There are three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

If you manage your other bills online, why not give to your Church online? It is safe and secure and you get to decide exactly when and to where your gift will be made.

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

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## Act of Spiritual Communion

Those who cannot receive Communion right now are all encouraged to make an act of Spiritual Communion.

*My Jesus,*

*I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

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## HR Prayer Shawl



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If you know of anyone, please give their name to Helen [hvktax@aol.com](mailto:hvktax@aol.com) or 978-771-4673. If you know the address that we can deliver to, maybe a favorite color, that would be helpful but not necessary. We will not intrude at this difficult time but simply leave it at their door.

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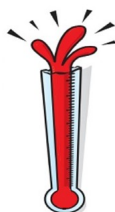
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You can also sign up for online giving. Visit our website to learn more: [hriccatholic.org/IC-Online-Giving](http://hriccatholic.org/IC-Online-Giving).

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**\$10,000**

*Congratulations! Immaculate Conception has surpassed its goal. Thank you to all who contributed to our Grand Annual collection. Contributions are still being accepted.*

## IC Online Giving

Immaculate Conception Parish provides Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring (weekly) donation.

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Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, [hriccatholic.org](http://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.

If you manage your other bills online, why not give to your Church online? It is safe and secure and you get to decide exactly when and to where your gift will be made.

Any questions? Contact Linda Temple, IC Administrative Assistant 978-462-2724 x7404.

## IC Haiti

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## IC St. Vincent de Paul



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If you choose to mail in your donation, please make your check payable to **"SVdP of Newburyport."** You may drop it into the collection box at Mass, or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950, or use our **Newly established** website and donate online at [www.svdpnewburyport.org](http://www.svdpnewburyport.org).

### Breaking Bread to-go Meal

Our weekly Immaculate Conception Breaking Bread meal has transitioned to a to-go only meal format. We continue to serve our weekly meal on Tuesday evenings. It is a hot, nourishing, 3-course dinner which is currently **take out only** and is distributed at 4:30 p. m. at the entrance to the IC Parish Center. All are welcome!



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## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and some span multiple weeks on a given weekday. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.

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## The Compassionate Friends




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