

**HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
COLLABORATIVE PARISHES**

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Third Sunday of Lent

March 7, 2021



"We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God." (1 Cor 1:22-24)

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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

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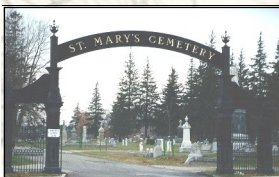
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (3/6)

4:00pm **Live-Stream** (Fr. McLaughlin)

Sunday (3/7)

8:00am **Nativity Mass in Thanksgiving for all Blessings received** (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am **IC Dianne Lucey** (Fr. Stanley and Deacon Dow)

9:30am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)

11:30am **IC Thomas F. Melican** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)

Monday (3/8)

9:00am **IC Thomas Burton, Jr.** (Fr. McLaughlin)

Tuesday (3/9)

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

Wednesday (3/10)

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

Thursday (3/11)

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

Friday (3/12)

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

Saturday (3/13)

4:00pm **Live-Stream James B. Lefebvre** (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

Sunday (3/14)

8:00am **Nativity Joseph Kardas** (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

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

9:30am **St. Ann Ann M. Daley** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

11:30am **IC Thomas F. Melican, Jr., Faris Jawdeh, Elaine Murphy** (Fr. Harrison)

In your prayers, please remember Hong Thi Bui 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](#)

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 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.

Call the offices at (978) 462-2724 for IC or (978) 346-8604 for HR if you have questions or need assistance making a reservation.

Bulletin Information

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

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

The scene in this weekend's Gospel is a disturbing one, as we do not often encounter an angry Jesus in the many different images of the Lord that are usually presented in the Scriptures. We are much more comfortable with Jesus welcoming the little children, or healing those who were sick, teaching His disciples, shedding a tear at Lazarus' tomb, sharing bread and wine at the Last Supper, and even being stoic in His suffering on the Cross.

But an infuriated, angry Jesus going so far as to make a whip of cords and thrashing it around to clear people and cattle alike from the Temple precincts . . . well, that is almost too much. Isn't anger something that leads to sin? How could Jesus, who never sinned, allow Himself to exhibit such an extreme? Was this a mistake or a misrepresentation of the Gospel?

The simple answer is no. Mark meant for us to experience Jesus in all of His unbridled emotion and energy. While anger, in and of itself, is not sinful, it is a raw and human experience that often catches us unprepared to handle all of its energy. It is, at the same time, the righteous response to the violation of justice and the willful infliction of harm on the innocent. It galvanizes us like few other things to pay attention and to act powerfully.

What more human response, then, to the Temple in Jerusalem, the one place on Earth that was supposed to be the center of faith and life having become perverted and overwhelmed with commerce. Jesus was fully God and fully human, so this sacred place that was meant to be the intersection between Heaven and Earth meant more to Him as a symbol of all that could and should be holy. And yet,

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Additional in-Person Mass

Beginning Sunday, March 7, 9:00 a.m. at IC

We have added an additional in-person Mass time Sundays at 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception beginning March 7.

As with all live, in-person Masses, you must register to attend the Mass. You can find the registration link on our website: hriccatholic.org or you can call the offices to register: IC: (978) 462-2724, HR: (978) 346-8604. COVID protocol, including social distancing and mask-wearing will be followed at all in-person events.

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.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

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 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.

Questions of the Week

Adult: During this period of Lent, we should take the time to reflect on the quality of our prayer and worship. How can we keep from just going through the motions of prayer?

Child: Why was Jesus angry? How do you show respect for God's house?

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Are you feeling isolated or 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 time for everyone, particularly 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.

Mass Scripture Readings

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass can be found online at 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; 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.)

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like human nature itself, it had become corrupted and overrun with sin. It ought not have become so, an obstacle to prayer rather than a conduit.

So, anger was the proper emotion, the true and rightful response of One who loves God and humanity.

Where do we see justice being violated today? Where do we encounter obstacles to prayer and worship? Where do we observe other gods taking the place that only and properly belongs to the Lord God alone? What gets in the way of our prayer, of our relationship with God? What has become something "that it ought not be" in our lives?

While the Scriptures do not indicate that Jesus ever struck or harmed any person (or even the cattle and oxen in this passage), what it does show us is that sin and corruption ought not be tolerated, and that we must be forthright in confronting those moments where the things of this world get in the way and clog the path to the things of Heaven.

Lent is a good time to take account of what is really going on in our lives, always trusting in the Lord's enduring help to make things right.

Lenten blessings to all,

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

San Marcos Coffee March 7



We will have plenty of freshly-roasted Honduran coffee available for purchase after all collaborative Masses on Sunday, March 7.

If you are not attending in person, we still need your coffee order and will arrange a drop-off or pick-up. You can order by leaving a voice or text message for Karen on 978-270-0183. \$10 per pound for this specialty coffee (whole bean or ground).

Gracias from Honduras!

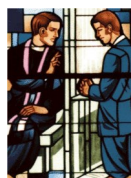
Prayers for the Sick

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

Dan Bedard
Priscilla Brown
Brett Burkinshaw
Joe Messina
Vincent Oberhofer

Mary Shachok
Ruth Sullivan
Ron Sylvester
Michael Tucker

Confessions



We are offering face-to-face, individual Confessions by appointment only. These will take place outdoors. The weather must be amenable for the appointment; both priest and penitent **must wear a face mask** and practice proper social-distancing during the Confession.

For more information or to schedule a time for Confession, please contact our Collaborative Office at (978) 346-8604 or (978) 462-2724.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Year of St. Joseph



During the pandemic, Pope Francis has been reflecting on St. Joseph who quietly protected and cared for Mary and Jesus—just like so many of us have made unseen sacrifices during the pandemic to protect others.

“Each of us can discover in Joseph—the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence—an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble,” the Pope wrote. He also said he wanted to highlight St. Joseph’s role as a father who served his family with charity and humility, adding, “Our world today needs fathers.” (CNA, 12-10-20)

To learn more about the Year of St. Joseph and resources available to you, visit bostoncatholic.org/yearofstjoseph. There you can find many resources and links.

ENGAGE & FORMED

We have a treasure chest of online faith formation resources available free to all in the HRIC community. We encourage you to take full advantage of these resources.

To access the resources of Word on Fire’s **ENGAGE**, register at flocknote.com/hriccollaborative or by texting “HRIC” to 84576.

To access **FORMED**, visit (formed.org), click “Sign up,” then “I belong to a parish or organization” and type in “Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative” to log in.

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/

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.

Women at the Well Bible Study

We Are Meeting Virtually

Please email HRICWomenAtTheWell@gmail.com to join us.

Do you ever feel like there must be something more than your day-to-day routine? Looking for a way to connect to other faith-centered women in the midst of a busy work, social or parenting life? Or maybe you're just searching for a new way to regularly meet and connect with Jesus.

WELCOME TO A COMMUNITY FULL OF

women just like you

Wherever you are in your faith journey, join us as we meet weekly for *Blessed Is She* bible study, community and friendship as we grow together in Christ.

WE ARE MEETING VIRTUALLY
DURING THE PANDEMIC
EMAIL US TO JOIN!

MONDAY NIGHTS
6:30PM-8PM
ALL ARE WELCOME!

please email HRICWomenAtTheWell@gmail.com if you have any questions

2021 Catholic Appeal



This weekend, we launch our annual Catholic Appeal, along with all the other parishes throughout the Archdiocese. Each year, the Catholic Appeal provides the faithful with a way to help support the ministries that support our parishes, our schools, and our communities. This is our Church, and every gift makes a difference. Please consider making your gift today by visiting bostoncatholicappeal.org or by scanning the QR code. Your gift has an immediate impact on our parish and the work of our Church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



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.

All parishioners are invited to join our monthly Parish Pastoral Council meetings via Zoom. Watch the bulletin for information on how to join in. **Our next meeting is Saturday, March 30 at 10:00 a.m.**

Members of the Pastoral Council

Father Tim Harrison, Chair
Jim Williamson, Vice Chair
Mary Bragg, Secretary

Chris Eagan
Amy Friend
Aaron Giard
Paula Higgins
Deacon John Moranski
Lucia Parker
Carol Robertson
Jonathan Temple
Pat Temple

Kathy Betz
Beth Brennan
Sue Coppinger
Steve DiCamillo
Deacon Paul Dow

The Pelican Intervention Fund



The Pelican Intervention Fund is dedicated to supporting men and women on their journey from addiction to recovery. The Pelican Intervention Fund offers hope for sustained recovery for adults who live in the communities of Amesbury, Byfield, Georgetown, Groveland, Ipswich, Merrimac, Newbury, West Newbury, Newburyport, Rowley, and Salisbury. If you have any questions contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more.

EWTN Easter Programming

EWTN brings you inspiring Holy Week and Easter Programming on TV, Radio, and Internet!

Join EWTN Global Catholic Network in remembering Christ’s love for us through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. During Holy Week and Easter, EWTN brings you special programming, LIVE Masses, and much much more! Go to ewtn.com/lent, stream our channel on the Internet, see us on your local cable television station, or use our EWTN APP on your mobile device.

LENT IN THE COLLABORATIVE

Centering Prayer for Lent

Lent is a time to follow Jesus more closely and learn from the fully human Jesus how to pray by entering your secret room, spending time that places God at the center of your life, opening yourself to a loving Father, surrendering your will and in trust allowing God to transform you. This is how we pray as we Center in silence.

Through prayer, Jesus, strengthened and moved by his Father's love for him, could willingly surrender his human life for love and reveal our God to us. Through the Paschal Mystery, Jesus of Nazareth was transformed to become Jesus the Christ. We, too, can be transformed through prayer that unites us to God. Lent is the time to pray as Jesus taught us and enter into the Paschal Mystery, receiving new life in God through death to self.

Centering Prayer is an ancient Christian practice available to all who seek transformation through a more intimate relationship with God. This daily practice deepens our faith as we come to better know our God.

Please consider joining us for weekly group Centering Prayer and let God move you closer to him. We gather Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. via ZOOM for 30 minutes of Centering Prayer and 30 minutes of Lectio Divina. All are welcome. Contact Elizabeth McCarthy, 978 462-7483, if interested.

Lenten Activities

Visit our website for suggestions to fulfill the Lenten disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Click on the Lent 2021 tab on our website: hricatholic.org.

Helping Our Homeless

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed.

In an effort to ease the suffering of our homeless and as a Collaborative-wide Lenten observance, we again will be collecting "Homeless Care Packs" at all three churches. A Homeless Care Pack is a one-gallon Ziploc bag filled with personal care items for men and women. They will be distributed to local agencies serving our homeless, including Pelican Intervention Fund, St. Vincent de Paul, Pettengill House, Salvation Army, YWCA, Community Service, and others.

Travel-size personal care items are the best size and can be found in most pharmacies in the area. There will be a collection box at the entrance of each church and in the lobby of the IC Parish Center, or you can contact a member of our Confirmation classes. For more information or to help, contact Aaron Giard at agiard@newburyportcatholic.org, or Jonathan Temple at jntemple@comcast.net Thank you for your generosity and compassion. **Items needed:**

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| Shampoo | Cough drops | Feminine hygiene products (Women) |
| Toothbrush | Protein bars | Umbrellas |
| Toothpaste | Soap | Antiseptic Wipes |
| Deodorant | Life Savers candy | |
| Razor | Disposable face cloths | No mouthwash or loose items please |
| Socks | | |
| Gloves | Kleenex packs | |
| Shaving Cream | Hand sanitizer | |

At-Home Lenten Retreat

An Individual Lenten Retreat, Jesus Wounded Healer

Another option for a Lenten Retreat has arisen as evening group Zoom meetings are not desirable for many, especially for those who work all day on Zoom. Here is the option:

- Receive a Retreat Packet and contact Spiritual Director to schedule review of the material.
- Read and reflect and schedule your first Spiritual Direction session by phone or Zoom. (weekend sessions are available).
- Continue reading, pondering, and praying and schedule your two additional Spiritual Direction sessions during Lent by phone or Zoom as you are ready.
- Schedule all meetings at your convenience and if needed reschedule as there would be no group meetings.

Following Jesus though our Lenten retreat we will stay awake with Jesus as he is wounded and suffers for us. We will give thanks for his great love and salvific suffering as we explore our own suffering and its transforming power. Responding to his love, we may allow Jesus to enter through our own wounds, heal us with his saving love, and be transformed.

Retreat packet materials support learning through Scripture and offer teachings of Richard Rhor, Cynthia Bourgeault, Marcus Borg, Joan Chittister, Paul Coutinho SJ, Carlo Charrette, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Julien of Norwich, Henri Nouwen, Pope John Paul II, and others as well as poems, prayers, and questions for reflection.

You will have opportunities for three individual one-hour sessions of spiritual direction by phone or zoom.

Spiritual Director: Elizabeth McCarthy, Certified Spiritual Director. Call (978) 462-7483 to register or for additional information. **Suggested Donation:** \$90.00

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction During Lent

Join us Thursdays during Lent at Immaculate Conception Church for **Adoration**. All are welcome. No reservations needed. Seating is limited. All attending must wear a mask and practice social distancing.

1:00–1:45 p.m.* and 7:15–8:00 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction will be offered only when clergy are present. There may be a couple afternoon times when no priest or deacon is present. All evening times will have a priest or deacon. In the event that there is no priest or deacon, the church will be open for silent prayer time.*

Stations of the Cross

We will have in-person **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays during Lent at 3:30 p.m. We will alternate the location among all three sites. The service will be live-streamed on our [Facebook](#) page. Please follow COVID protocol.

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| Mar. 12 IC | Mar. 26 IC |
| Mar. 19 St. Ann | Apr. 2 Nativity (Good Friday) |

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Women's History Month

During March, we would like to highlight some Catholic women who have become doctors of the church. First, what is a Doctor of the Church? This is a title given to a saint whose works, through their writings and teachings, have contributed to the theology and philosophy of the Church, is a tremendously holy person, and has a great insight of Church doctrine. There are only 36 Doctors of the Church.



St. Teresa of Avila, a Carmelite nun, became a Doctor of the Church in 1970. She was a proponent of reform to the Carmelite order and received much criticism for it. Her most famous writing is the book *The Interior Castle*.

Content source: <https://blessedisshenet.com/blog/female-doctors-church/>

HRIC

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

How can we help you?

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.

The Bible in a Year

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.

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.

Don't worry if you haven't started yet, you can jump in anytime and even listen to past episodes. Visit online at <https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/> to learn more or search for "The Bible in a Year" in Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Stitcher, Google Podcasts, or Amazon Podcasts.

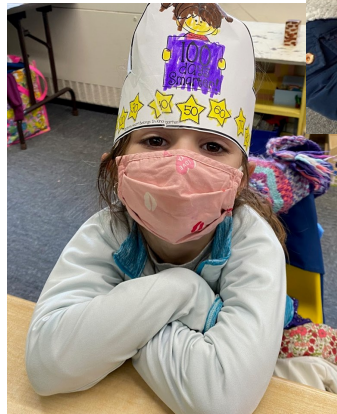
IC PARISH

Immaculate Conception School

Immaculate Conception School celebrated 100 days of school on Friday, February 26. This annual celebration is particularly exciting for young students as math lessons build to the number 100 through multiple concepts over the first half of the school year. Understanding the concept of one hundred is an academic threshold that once crossed, launches the students' understanding of numbers exponentially.



Pictured, the 2nd grade class built structures and made posters out of 100 items



Kindergarten students wore 100-Day crowns to mark the occasion.

Additionally, this momentous day called for the IC to celebrate 100 days of in-school learning for our students. With safety protocols in place and the dedication of our school families to take every precaution necessary to preserve the health of our community, the IC has prevailed! Achieving this benchmark of 100 days in school was accomplished through a team effort. Immaculate Conception School has a long-standing tradition of community and family. Despite the many challenges that we face with the pandemic, the IC family is stronger than ever.

IC Easter Flowers

We are now taking donations and memorials toward the purchase of Easter flowers. Simply mail in or place an envelope in the offertory box with the names of those you wish to be remembered or make a donation for the flowers. Please make sure your gift is received by **noon on Monday, March 22** so that the names can be included in our Easter bulletin

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Feb. 28 **\$1,230.00**
 Mailed-in Offertory, week ending Feb. 26 **\$5,375.00**
 Grand Annual **\$104,360.00**

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.

Catholic Appeal

Goal \$53,820.00
To Date \$14,845.00

Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org
 To learn more.



IC Online Giving

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

Getting started is easy—you need to be a registered member of Immaculate Conception Parish community. Parish registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office.

Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the “Links” tab, then click on “IC Parish Online Giving” to get to the site. There are four different funds you can choose to contribute to.

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 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 still ready to assist.



To donate, visit our website and donate online at www.svdpnewburyport.org, drop your donation (checks payable to “Svdp of Newburyport.”) into the collection box at Mass, or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

Breaking Bread to-go Meal

Tuesday evenings • **take out only** • 4:30 p. m. at the entrance to the IC Parish Center. All are welcome!



Follow Us on Twitter
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IC Faith Formation

All Faith Formation schedules and Registration Forms are posted on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

School Year Programs

Program information for those students entering Grades K–8 can be found on our parish website. **Registration forms are also available.** As always, please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 ext. 7405) or email agiard@newburyportcatholic.org should you have any questions.

Confirmation

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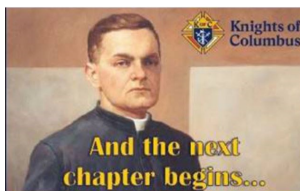
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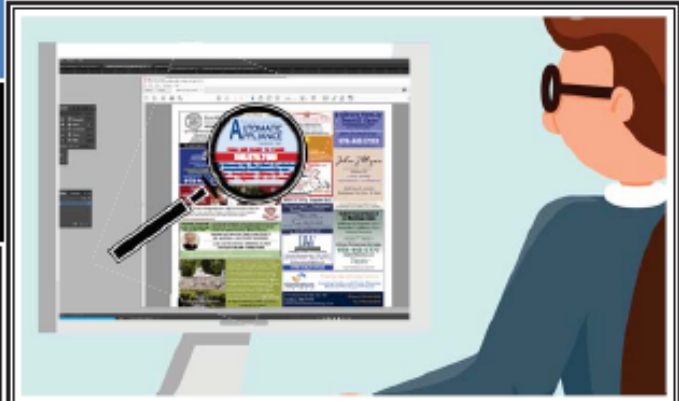
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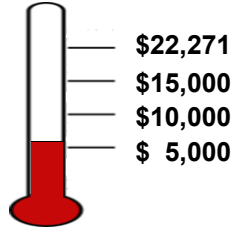
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