HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Second Sunday of Easter: Divine Mercy Sunday
April 24, 2022



Jesus said to them again,
"Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

(Jn 20:21)

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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

Collaborative Staff

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 Fax: 978-234-7399 Email: info@hriccatholic.org



St. Mary's Cemetery

36 Storey Avenue, Newburyport 01950

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1 Washington Street, Newburyport 01950, K-grade 8, Mrs. Joan Sullivan, Principal, Phone: 978-465-7780, Fax: 978-234-7331, www.icsnewburyport.com



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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes

Mass Schedule

Saturday (4/23)

4:00pm IC Maddie & Jack Walsh, Angelo Messina Jr., Ted LoPreste, Elizabeth J. Hanlon (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

Sunday (4/24)

8:30am Nativity (Fr. Stanley)

9:00am IC Bob Oscar, Bill Moore, John Boress (Fr. McLaughlin)

10:15am St. Ann (Fr. Stanley)

11:30am **IC** Catherine Hamilton, Ernest J. Falvo (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

Monday (4/25)

9:00am IC Susan Gerroir (Fr. Stanley)

Tuesday (4/26)

9:00am IC (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (4/27)

9:00am IC (Fr. McLaughlin)

Thursday (4/28)

9:00am IC (Fr. Morin)

Friday (4/29)

9:00am IC (Fr. Stanley)

Saturday (4/30)

4:00pm IC Margaret Horgan, Linda Sullivan

O'Brien (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm St. Ann (Fr. Stanley)

Sunday (5/1)

8:30am **Nativity** *Dean Goveia* (Fr. Stanley)

9:00am **IC** Fr. Michael Welch (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

10:15am St. Ann (Fr. Stanley)

11:30am **IC** *Rozalia Benca* (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers, please remember Joan Oldak, Rozalia Benca, Ronald Crivello Sr., Paul Callahan, and all 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 broadcast online through our website: hriccathlic.org and on Facebook: (Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes).

Live Stream Mass

To watch our live-stream Masses on our website:

- 1. Go to our website (hriccatholic.org).
- 2. Click on the live-stream map on the homepage
- 3. You will be directed to the live stream page. Click the image to begin the video.

To watch our live-stream Masses on Facebook:

- 1. Go to our Facebook page (facebook.com/hriccatholic/)
- 2. Click the "videos" link on the page.
- 3. The video should be the first one on the list.

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

I didn't want it to end. Sitting there in a moment of reflection as the choir was finishing their meditation hymn after Communion at the Easter Vigil last week, I felt an incredible sense of peace and joy. And I just didn't want it to end. I knew that the



moment I stood and offered the closing prayer and began the recessional down the aisle of the church, that this moment of singular peace would evaporate, fragile as it was . . . no doubt, to be replaced with the joy of greeting parishioners who had stayed for the longest liturgy of the year as well as mingling with the newly initiated who had been welcomed into the Church through the Easter Sacraments. But I wanted more of that peace. So I sat in silence as long as I dared when the choir finished singing, knowing that the final blessing could wait only so long.

What we celebrate at Easter, however, and any time that we enter into the Eucharist is our hope for a time when that peace will never end. We look forward to and anticipate the eternal life with God that is gifted to us in Christ's resurrection from the dead. Our baptism points to this enduring hope of Heaven, where time itself will have no meaning and we can enjoy the perfect experience of a right relationship before God and with one another uninterrupted and forever. We glimpse that from time to time here on earth, but will experience it in its fulness at the end of time.

As we continue to unpack the meaning of the Lord's rising from the dead, may we look forward in hope and with profound trust to our own resurrection to new life. Meanwhile, let's pray that God will keep the glimpses coming . . . to keep our appetites whetted and our souls properly famished for the things of Heaven.

Happy Easter to all!

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

Confessions



We offer Confessions Saturdays from **3:00–3:30 p.m.** at IC Church. No appointment needed. Confessions are also available at other times and places during the week by appointment only. For more information or to schedule a time for Confession, contact our Collaborative offices at

(978) 346-8604 or (978) 462-2724.

Bulletin Information

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

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This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, April 25

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

Women at the Well Mtg. 6:30pm, *IC Charity Dining Room*Compassionate Friends Mtg. 7:30pm, *IC Conference Room* 209

Tuesday, April 26

Breaking Bread Takeout-Only Meal 4:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall HR Confirmation Prep., Year 2 6:45pm, Nativity Hall IC Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Wednesday, April 27

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, *IC Nazareth Library* HR Activities Committee Mtg. 6:00pm, *Nativity Hall*

Thursday, April 28

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, April 29

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

Ultreya 7:00pm, IC St. James Chapel / Charity Dining Room

Saturday, April 30

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, May 1

Faith Formation 10:00am, IC Parish Center

IC Confirmation Prep, Year 1 3:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

To schedule your group's in-person meeting, contact Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to reserve your space.

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 <u>flocknote.com/hriccollaborative</u> or by texting "HRIC" to 84576.



FORMED®

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.

Prayers for the Sick

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

Priscilla Barry
Priscilla Brown
Bill Crounse
Susan Gerroir
Charmaine Haan
Hillar Haan
Jay Hanslig

Vincent Oberhofer Maureen Russell Ruth Sullivan Rob Schweizer Michael Tucker Jim Williamson

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

IC Haiti

We have good news to report to you, our generous donors. Our March quarterly collection raised more than \$10,000. Thank you!!! In addition, some of IC Haiti's faithful supporters over the years (Margot Anderson-Song along with her family and the Davis family) continue to champion the annual Cookies for Haiti fundraiser. This year's cookie sale will be after Masses at IC and is targeted for the weekend of May 14–15.

And, despite rising social and political unrest and gang violence in the capital city of Port-au-Prince,

- The Father Marc Piché school's operations have continued without interruption—as you know, being in a very rural area can be an advantage during these times of unrest.
- Although there have been some difficulties sourcing ingredients for the feeding program at times (fuel shortages, inflation, and roadblocks have all contributed), students have continued to receive meals each day at school.
- The team has purchased materials to build the school kitchen and will begin construction in late April or early May.
- 11 teachers recently participated in a 3-day refresher training on lesson planning, focusing on methods for teaching math and French.

Once again, thank you to all who continue to support IC Haiti's mission to our brothers and sisters in Haiti. Our next quarterly collection will be the weekend of May 21–22.

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

Questions of the Week



Adult: What part of today's Gospel gives you the most comfort?

Child: What part of the Gospel story do you like the best? Why?

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.

Collaborative Pastoral Council

The purpose of the Collaborative Pastoral Council is to assist the pastor in his leadership role of planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating, and reviewing the evangelization, worship, religious education, and service activities within the parish. Members are chosen by lot after a period of prayer and silent reflection. Members chosen will serve for three-year terms which are renewable once. Each summer, interested parishioners are asked to submit their name for consideration. Please watch for these notices in the bulletin and consider joining us in this important Collaborative work. The Collaborative Pastoral Council is now in its third year of existence.

We invite any of our Collaborative members to join our meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Saturday**, **May 7 at 10:00 a.m. at Nativity Hall**. If you have any concerns or questions about the work of the Council or to join the meeting, contact Jim at Jimwilliamson35@gmail.com.

Collaborative Website

Visit our **Collaborative Website**, <u>www.hriccatholic.org</u> for up-to-date information on what is happening in the Collaborative. You can also find links to our weekly bulletins and our Facebook, Instagram, and twitter pages.

Adoration

We offer Adoration at IC Church two times during the week. All are welcome. No experience necessary. **Note: enter at Green Street door only.**

Join us for Adoration on Thursdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Adoration/Benediction is also available in IC Church on Fridays immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass*.

*Note: If a Friday funeral is scheduled, or in the absence of a presider, IC Church will remain open for "Sacred Silence" only. Check the HRIC calendar online for updated information. The calendar link can be found on our website: hriccatholic.org.

women at the well

Welcome to Women at the Well: A weekly Bible Study for women seeking to grow closer to God and cultivate community!

We meet every **Monday at 6:30 p.m.** If you can't make it to every meeting, please do not worry! This group is designed to allow you to drop in whenever you are able to join us, no pre-reading necessary from week to week.

In-person: IC Charity Dining Room

Zoom: Email hricwomenatthewell@gmail.com for the link.



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 presence and action in our lives, and 30 minutes of reading Sacred Scripture in group Lectio Divina. 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.

Mass Scripture Readings

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



TICKETS:

\$49

*Boxed lunch available at extra cost

For more information, visit **JesusIsHereBoston.org**



Retrovaille Program

Rediscover Your Marriage—Retrouvaille (pronounced retrovi with a long i) simply means "rediscovery." The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming New England program beginning with a weekend on May 6–8, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230 or email us at 3023r@helpourmarriage.org.

Community Service of Newburyport Request

A "Drive-By Collection" of Adult Incontinence Products (Depends) will be held at the back door of Central Congregational Church on Pleasant Street on **Saturday**, **April 30** from 11 a.m.–1:00 p.m. All donations will be given to Community Service of Newburyport, Inc. for free distribution to our local neighbors. We are requesting donations for men and women in any size and/or gift cards at CVS to purchase them. These donations will help our local senior citizens to live with the dignity they deserve.

Also, Central Church is happy to accept these products from 9 a.m.—3 p.m. Monday-Friday at their door on Titcomb Street. Cash donations and CVS cards in any amount will be most gratefully accepted.

HR Parish

HR Online Giving

HR provides Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring donation. To get started you need to be a registered member of Holy Redeemer Parish. Registration forms are available on the website or contact the parish office.

Once you register, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hricatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then "HR Parish Online Giving" to get to the site. There are three different funds you can contribute to: Offertory, Monthly, and Grand Annual.

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

HR Greeters Needed

Would you like to serve as a welcoming presence at Mass? We are looking for additional greeters at Holy Redeemer, particularly at the 4:00 p.m. Masses at both churches and the 10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Ann.

All are encouraged to volunteer if they wish—men, women, and high school students. If you are able to serve, please contact Sue Noyes at susanjnoyes@gmail.com.



April 8 Stations of the Cross at Nativity

We have finished our Lenten journey with our Simple Suppers and praying the many versions of the Stations of the Cross. We invite you to join us in prayer next year!



HR Easter Flowers

The O'Connor Family • The Hayes Family

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HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

Good Friday, Church in the Holy Land HR Offertory, April 16-17, Easter Mailed in Offertory, week ending April 15

\$ 417.00 \$3,570.00 \$ 570.00

The second collection this weekend (April 24) is the Monthly. The second collection next weekend (May 1) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. 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.



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Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org to learn more or to donate.









HR Activities Committee Meeting

The Holy Redeemer Activities Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. in Nativity Hall. We are always happy to see new faces. All are welcome to attend and help plan the 2022 HR activities such as bingo night, dinners, and the November holiday fair, to name a few. All are welcome to join us.

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generosity to the HR Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. There are addressed SVdP envelopes in at both churches. Please place donations into the envelopes and either mail or place the envelopes in the collection. You can also place donations in the poor boxes at the back of each church. The boxes are emptied on a regular basis.

Make checks out to HR SVdP and mail to HR St. Vincent de Paul Society, 4 Green Street, Merrimac, MA 01860

HR Prayer Shawl

If you know of anyone who needs a prayer shawl, please contact Helen 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.

HR Faith Formation

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

School Year Programs

Information regarding the 2021-22 schedule for those children entering Grades K-8 has been posted on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Registration forms are also available. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron at agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda at burrell@hriccatholic.org.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

Registration forms as well as schedules for those children who will be preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist have been posted to the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with any questions or reach out via email to Aaron at agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda at burrell@hriccatholic.org.

Baptism

We will resume our schedule of celebrating this sacrament the second Sunday of each month at IC Church beginning May 8 at 1:30 p.m. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information.

Confirmation

Information regarding the 2021–22 Confirmation Prep schedule for grades 9 and 10 has been posted along with registration forms on the Collaborative hriccatholic.org. Please contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 x7405) with questions or email Aaron agiard@hriccatholic.org or Melinda burrell@hriccatholic.org.

Saturday Mass at Nativity

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass will move to Nativity, Merrimac for the month of May.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

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



Visit <u>bostoncatholicappeal.org</u> to learn more or to donate.







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IC Online Giving

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

To get started, register as a member of Immaculate Conception Parish if you are not yet registered. Forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office.

Once registered, 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.

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

The Pelican Intervention Fund



We provide funding for non-profit, 12-step residential sober homes for economically challenged men and women struggling with addiction. Questions? Contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more.

Donations can be made to:

"The Pelican Intervention Fund at ECCF"

Essex County Community Foundation, 175 Andover Street, Danvers, MA 01923

Immaculate Conception School

Stations of the Cross: Though Mary's Eyes was celebrated on Good Friday by the Immaculate Conception School community. Eighth grade students performed the Stations as a tableau on the altar as Fr. Tim processed to each Station. Music Ministry Director Steve Swochak led the faithful in response. Particularly moving was the voice of Mary that was brought to life by the angelic voices of the 8th grade girls.



IC Easter Flowers

The Smart Family—Leon, Harriet, Gary, Michael, Ronald, and Barbara • Sean Perkins • Deceased Members of The Donahue, Lynch and Bryant Family • Deceased Members of The Paciulan, Leary, Crowley & Jones Family • Pat & Jerry Cody • Faye Scarborough • Dorothy Copelin

Free Hair Cuts

Donna Koen, an IC parishioner and licensed hairdresser for over 30 years, is offering free hair cuts to anyone in need. She is willing to travel to your home. Her number is (978) 998-9219. This is a service she has been offering for years for the Newburyport Housing Authority, Salvation Army, and the Sisters of Notre Dame.

She is happy to help our parishioners who are in need.

The Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends provides support for bereaved families after the loss of a child, grandchild, or sibling—any age, any cause. Visit our website tcfnewburyport.org.

Our next monthly support meeting is **April 25** in the IC Parish Center, Room 209 at 7:30–9:00 p.m. Contact Barbara for questions at barbarajhopkinson@gmail.com.

IC PARISH

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. If you would like to mail in your donation, please make your check payable to "SVdP of Newburyport" and drop it into the collection box at Mass or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

A Heartfelt Thank You to All of Our Contributors

IC Society of St. Vincent de Paul thanks all who contribute on a regular basis through the collections, mail-in contributions, and the Poor Box in the church. Your ongoing assistance adds up in a big way and allows us to continue our work to those in need. Thank you!

Breaking Bread to-go Meal

We serve our weekly Breaking Bread meal on Tuesday evenings. It is a hot, nourishing, 3-course dinner which is currently **take out only** and is distributed at the entrance to the IC Parish Center from 4:30–5:30 p.m. All are welcome!



Join the Knights!

Second Tuesdays at 7pm IC Parish Center Library

For More Info: Matt Blanchette 978.697.5135 kofc231@gmail.com



Foster Care

Is there room in your home and heart for a foster child?

There is a need for foster homes in our area to provide children a supportive and healing home during a difficult time. Learn more from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) about Foster Care and Adopting through Foster Care.

https://www.mass.gov/guides/upcoming-foster-careadoption-informational-meetings

St. Mary's Cemetery

Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue. 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. Please visit the parish cemetery and you will find the cemetery to be well-managed and maintained. Cemetery plots are available for full-body and cremated remains burials in any denomination. Call Joseph Viel, Superintendent, at 978-208-0266 to schedule an appointment.

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Consolers Circle Meal

The IC community offers a light meal to families who have lost a loved one. The meal is provided by volunteers and is held in St. Louis Hall following the funeral Mass. Our hall holds up to 75 people, and there is no charge for this service. Donations are accepted. Please let the funeral director know that you request this service when making arrangements.

Family Prayer Group



Some of our parishioners have formed a group to pray for families and do so on the last Friday of the month, calling the prayer group "Final Fridays for Families" or "FFF" as a result.

It is not burdensome or time-consuming and simply involves receiving a reminder on the last Friday of each month and saying a prayer for families at a time and place that is convenient to you on that day. The group particularly prays for all members and their families and their special intentions. If you would like to join the group and receive the monthly prayer reminder, please let Linda Temple know in our Collaborative office. Contact her at (978) 462-2724 or email at: info@hriccatholic.org.

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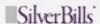
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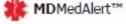
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