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Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

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*"Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke
to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"*

Luke 24:32

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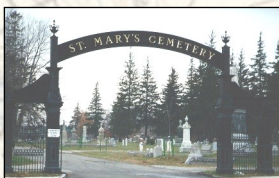
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Online-Only Mass Schedule

Saturday (4/25)

4:00pm John Boress

Sunday (4/26)

10:00am Nicola, Angelina, Francesco Maiello,
Joel Eiserman

Saturday (5/2)

4:00pm Barbara Miller

Sunday (5/3)

10:00am Regina M. Stronge, Andrew Filomia

In your prayers please remember all the faithful departed.

All Masses will be broadcast live through Facebook Live until further notice.



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

Visit our **Collaborative website**, www.hriccatholic.org for up-to-date information on what is happening in the Collaborative during these changing times. You can also find links to our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages.

Learn about the Mass

Aaron Giard, our Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, will be offering a walk-through teaching on the Mass during the 30 minutes before Mass on Sundays.

Tune in on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. via Facebook Live to learn more about the beauty of Mass and the whys behind the words and gestures we perform each week.

Prayer During the Coronavirus Pandemic

*May we who are merely inconvenienced
remember those whose lives are at stake.*

*May we who have no risk factors
remember those most vulnerable.*

*May we who have the luxury of working from home
remember those who must choose between preserving
their health or making their rent.*

*May we who have the flexibility to care for our children
when their schools close
remember those who have no options.*

*May we who have to cancel our trips
remember those that have no place to go.*

*May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of
the economic market
remember those who have no margin at all.*

*May we who settle in for a quarantine at home
remember those who have no home.*

*During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms
around each other,
let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our
neighbors.*

Amen



Online Mass this past weekend from St. James Chapel.

Watch Mass on Facebook Live

To watch our live stream Masses:

1. Go to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/>) at the appointed time.
2. Click the "videos" link on the page.
3. The LIVE video should be the first one on the list.

90 Days Now–For Your Parish

"90 Days Now–For Your Parish" is a new, three-month campaign created by a member of the laity to help support our parishes while we are temporarily closed. The funds raised go *directly* to your parish. Please visit our website at hriccatholic.org to read Fr. Tim's letter to the Collaborative to learn more about this project.

"90 Days Now" link:

<https://bcatholic.sites.bostoncatholic.org/90DaysYourParish>

Virtual Meetings

Attention Collaborative Groups

During the stay-at-home order, you are probably missing meetings with your groups and committees.

We would like to see if there is an interest from groups and committees to meet virtually (using ZOOM). If you are interested in starting to meet virtually, please contact us at hricbulletin@gmail.com to learn more.

Prayers for the Sick

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

Priscilla Brown
Brett Burkinshaw
Eunice Campbell
Joe Messina

Ron Pagliaruto
Ruth Sullivan
Michael Tucker

Bulletin Information

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

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- Add your name and email and click "sign up"
- You will receive an email that links you to the site

Act of Spiritual Communion

We cannot receive Communion right now but we 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.

Mass Scripture Readings

April 26–May 3, 2020

Praying with the Scriptures during this Easter season while we are all socially distancing ourselves for the common good can bring us into a more intimate relationship with the Lord and with the Communion of Saints here and in heaven. What do each day's Scripture passages reveal about our loving Father, our saving Lord Jesus, and the empowering Holy Spirit? What do they reveal about our vocation as a Church community to become ever more intentional disciples of Christ? Please access the HRIC webpage to learn about Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go to www.HRICcatholic.org and click on HRIC Pastoral Plan and then click on Lectio Divina.

- Sun., April 26: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35
- Mon., April 27: Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119; John 6:22-29
- Tues., April 28: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Psalm 31; John 6:30-35
- Wed., April 29: Acts 8:1b-8; Psalm 66; John 6:35-40
- Thurs., April 30: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66; John 6:44-51
- Fri., May 1: Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117; John 6:52-59
- Sat., May 2: Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 116; John 6:60-69
- Sun., May 3: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10

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



HRIC Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program

As the challenges of COVID-19 continue to evolve, Holy Redeemer-Immaculate Conception Collaborative is formalizing its "*Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program*" to respond to 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 unfolds.

The program is designed to respond to requests received by the Collaborative parishes for assistance with fundamental needs such as grocery store runs, prescription pick ups, and meal deliveries. Phone calls to the homebound and creation of cards to console or comfort are also ways in which we can support our neighbors during this difficult time.

The link below describes the program in detail and provides a form for those interested in volunteering to help this effort. Volunteers will be contacted only by members of the *Neighbors Helping Neighbors* team to determine availability to respond to a particular request.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cou015DOFLP_rhhBqDaMAQZ-Z4ED9-WpxRGBWc9XMI0

Please join in helping our Collaborative show the face of Jesus to our parishioners and our communities. God bless you.

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

Women at the Well Bible Study

We Are Meeting Virtually

We will be meeting virtually until further notice. All are welcome to join in, whether you are a new face or have come before.

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.

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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.

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Questions of the Week

Adult: Are you able to recognize Jesus in the Eucharist? How will you share your experience with others?

Child: How can you get to know Jesus and recognize Him?

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Local Meal Resources

The number of families needing assistance is increasing. This week's resources include places where families can find food assistance. (As published in *The Daily News of Newburyport*.)

Meals: This list includes free takeout and limited delivery meals that are available to those families in need.

Mondays

Takeout and limited delivery by Among Friends at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 166 High St., Newburyport, 5–6:00 p.m. Call 978-465-5351 before 2:00 p.m. on day of meal for delivery.

Tuesdays

Takeout only by St. Vincent de Paul Society at Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 42 Green St., Newburyport, 5–6:00 p.m.

Takeout and limited delivery by Among Friends at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 166 High St., Newburyport 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. For delivery, call 978-465-5351 before 9:00 a.m. on the day of the meal.

Wednesdays

Takeout only, Salvation Army, 40 Water St., Newburyport, 11–11:30 a.m., grab and go at the parking lot door.

Takeout only at Our Neighbors' Table at the Congregational Church, 145 Main St., Amesbury, 4:00–6:00 p.m.

Thursdays

Takeout only, Salvation Army, 40 Water St., Newburyport, 5–5:30 p.m., grab and go at the parking lot door.

Fridays

Takeout and limited delivery by Among Friends at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 166 High St., Newburyport, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. For delivery, call 978-465-5351 before 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meal for delivery.

Saturdays

Takeout only, Central Congregational Church, 14 Titcomb St., Newburyport, 8–10 a.m.

Grab-and-go breakfast, All Saints Anglican Church, 69 Friend St., Amesbury, 9–10:30 a.m.

Sundays

Takeout only, Old South Presbyterian Church, 29 Federal St., Newburyport, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. at the School Street entrance.

Collaborative Pastoral Council

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Employment Opportunity

Assistant Principal, Immaculate Conception School Catholic Elementary School Pre-K to Gr 8, Co-Ed

Immaculate Conception School in Newburyport, MA seeks a highly qualified individual to assume a new position as Assistant Principal for the 2020–2021 school year. Individual must be a practicing Catholic, have a student-centered approach to education, and possess the skills necessary to collaborate on an administrative team.

Qualifications:

- 5+ years experience working in a K–8 school
- Degree in School Counseling
- Master's Degree
- Certification in School Leadership
- Citizenship, residency, or work visa in United States

Responsibilities:

- Model Christian values and support the mission of the school
- Teaching responsibilities—part-time
- Build relationships and effectively communicate with all stakeholders, cultivate parent and community involvement
- Embrace feedback as an opportunity for school improvement and growth
- Foster social-emotional development of all students through implementation of school-wide programs
- Evaluate instruction in alignment with curriculum standards
- Assists with hiring, professional development, curriculum development, instructional supervision, and teacher evaluations
- Contribute to an innovative approach to learning
- Support the integration of technology into the daily educational process for students
- Working knowledge of Google G Suite for Education
- Oversee administering of standardized testing
- Interpret data to contribute to improvement plans for student growth and achievement
- Support educational experience for all types of learners, including students with IEP, 504 plans
- Recognize and solve problems to maintain a safe, secure, and clean environment
- Approach problem solving with consideration of financial responsibility
- Contribute to a positive school culture to advance the marketing of the school
- Establish and oversee daily routines for students—daily schedule, morning assembly, lunch, recess, dismissal
- Oversee behavior of students, uphold and enforce discipline policy
- Counsel and guide positive correction to student behavior
- Understand the budget process and financial implications of decisions
- Prepare paperwork and reports as required
- Perform duties as directed by the principal
- Serve as principal when needed

Submit resume, cover letter, and three references to Mrs. Joan Sullivan, Principal at jsullivan@icsnewburyport.com by May 1, 2020.

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If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to
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Or read below to sign up for online giving.

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. (At this time, Online Giving is available for only IC members. 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 or the Online Giving link on our homepage, then click on “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.



The Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends (TCF) of Greater Newburyport provides support for bereaved families after the loss of a child, grandchild or sibling—any age, any cause. Our monthly support meetings are temporarily being held online (due to coronavirus) via Zoom at 7:30–9:00 p.m. on the 4th Monday of the month. Barbara J Hopkinson is founder and chapter leader.

Join our free online meeting by going to <http://zoom.us>, click on “Join a Meeting,” enter Meeting ID: 952-104-4920.

A Butterfly’s Journey (ABJ) is a separate non-profit to help a broader set of grievers. Barbara is the founder and an Advanced Grief Recovery Method (GRM) Specialist. GRM is the only evidence-based methodology for grief, 7-week-action-based method. GRM classes as well as a free online Resource Center can be found on abutterflysjourney.org. Schedule a free call for more info on ABJ or TCF-GN: <http://bit.ly/GRM-call>.

Immaculate Conception School



The IC school community is staying connected, while staying apart. As distance learning continues, IC teachers are finding new ways to foster relationships from home. In addition to daily live prayer sessions and morning meetings, and interactive online lessons, the IC has started weekly student and teacher Google Meet sessions that support the connection between teachers and students. Google Meet is a function of Google G Suite for Education tools that allow IC students and teachers to video conference with each other.

Last week, the Pre-Kindergarten students read *The Lorax* together in celebration of Earth Day, while Kindergarten had Show and Tell in small groups. The first graders have a weekly sing along, and second grade practices prayers together before sharing favorite at-home activities. For the older students, there are meetings to share current books of choice and to play BINGO, and sometimes to just chat about the week.

As a whole school community, the IC has weekly activities that families can participate in, such as sharing Easter photos for the digital “Easter Parade,” and the 2020 “Staycation Bake-Off,” to share baking photos and recipes. The staff is continuing a fan-favorite with “Mystery Reader” videos posted each day for a little entertainment during the school vacation. The IC community has always valued strong relationships among students, families, and teachers. Despite staying home, relationships continue to grow and develop.



IC families submitted funny captions for this picture in a “meme Contest.”

Pre-Planning/At-Need Burial Space

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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We will also post our weekly bulletins on the website for you to view electronically.

IC St. Vincent de Paul



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is here to help. So many people are experiencing hardship now and will continue to struggle during the months ahead as we recover from the impact of COVID-19. Residents of Newburyport and Newbury can call our Society of St. Vincent de Paul for help with food, clothing, rent,

utilities, gas, and other necessities. Call 978-518-0728 and let us know how we can help you get back on your feet again.

Donations made to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be used immediately in response to the calls for help that are received. Please send checks payable to Society of St. Vincent de Paul to Immaculate Conception Church, 42 Green Street, Newburyport MA 01950.

Thank you for helping us to help others!

IC Faith Formation

School Year Programs

We want to take this time to thank all of our volunteers who have contributed in any way to the success of the school year program. We could not do it without you!

Please watch for future announcements regarding Fall 2020.

Summer Programs

We are looking forward to the HRIC Summer Program which will take place the week of **July 13–17** for those children entering grades 3–6 in September, and **July 27–31** for students entering grades 7–9.

Please contact the Faith Formation office to request a registration form and/or to have more information sent to you.

Summer Program Volunteers

We are once again asking for assistance in making our Summer Program a reality. Many families depend on this week of faith formation for their children and it cannot take place without you!

There is a great need for **catechists** and **classroom assistants** at all grade levels. Please contact the office of Faith Formation for further information.

Confirmation

As we continue to receive guidelines from the Archdiocese, we will keep families informed of any pertinent information.

Please feel free to call or email the Faith Formation Office with any questions or concerns you might have. We will respond as soon as possible.

Baptism Dates to Remember

Please call the Collaborative Offices (978-462-2724) for further information regarding upcoming classes and the celebration of the sacrament.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

Please don't hesitate to call or contact the Faith Formation Office should you have any questions or concerns regarding the postponement of our First Eucharist celebrations.

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Please watch for future announcements regarding Fall 2020.

Summer Programs at IC

We are looking forward to the HRIC Summer Program which will take place on the IC campus the week of **July 13-17** for those children entering grades 3-6 in September, and **July 27-31** for students entering grades 7-9.

Please contact the Faith Formation office to request a registration form and/or to have more information sent to you.

Summer Program Volunteers

We are once again asking for assistance in making our Summer Program a reality.

Many families depend on this week of formation for their children, but it cannot happen without you. We are in need of **catechists** and **classroom assistants** for all grade levels. Please contact the office of Faith Formation (978-462-2724) for further information.

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Please don't hesitate to contact the Faith Formation Office should you have any questions or concerns regarding the postponement of our First Eucharist celebrations.

Baptism Dates to Remember

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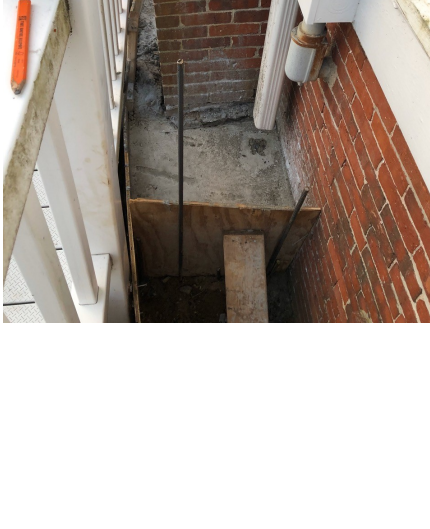
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St Ann Pointing Work Update

Work continues on the foundation corners of St. Ann. This is part of the long-awaited Capital Campaign improvements that have been planned for several years now. Once the foundation has been solidified and pointed, work will continue on the wooden corner columns. Then, work can proceed on rebuilding the retaining wall at the back of the parking lot. See photos below.

Nativity Bell Tower Update

Work on the bell tower at Nativity Church is scheduled to begin mid-late summer.



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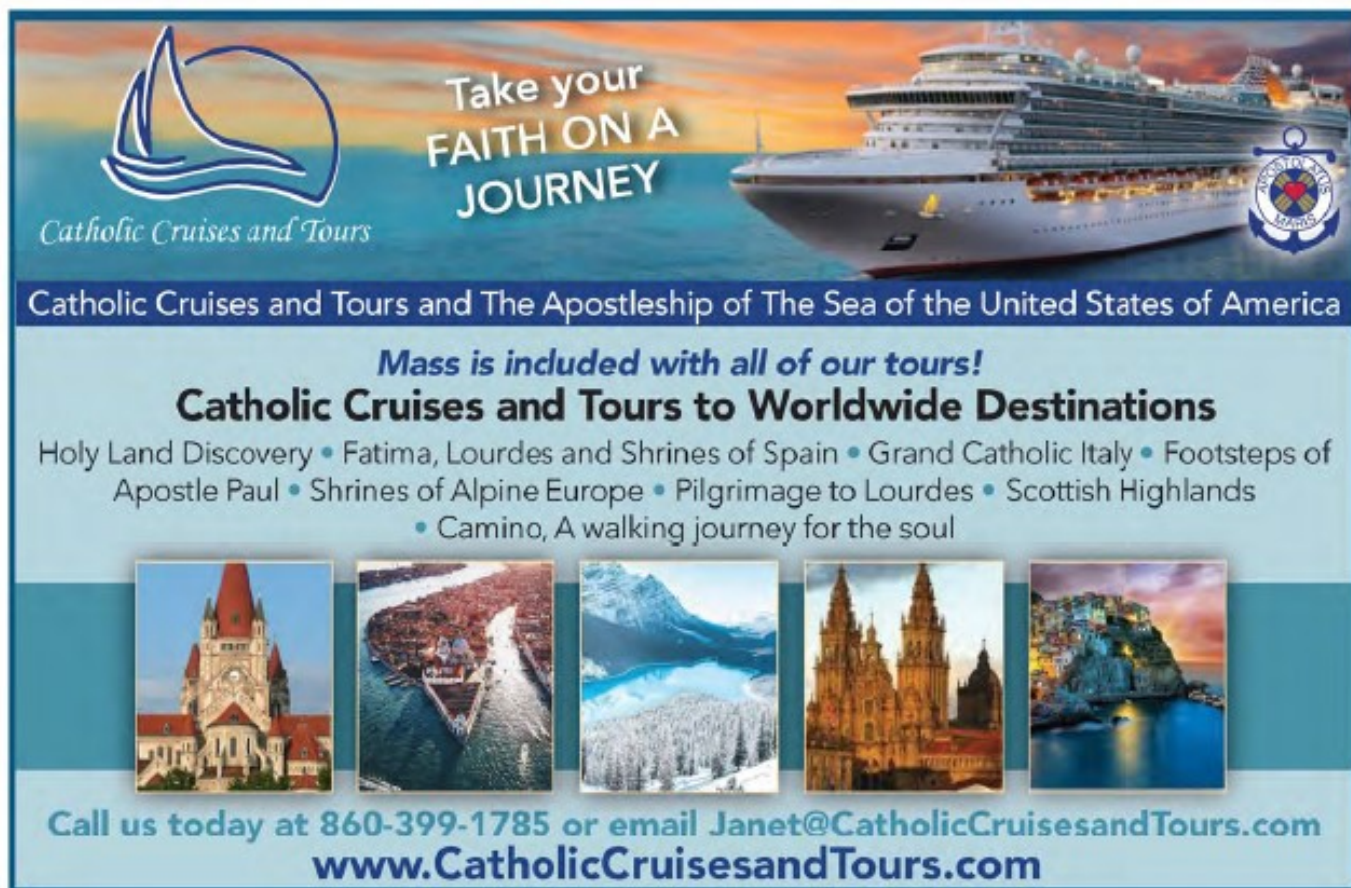
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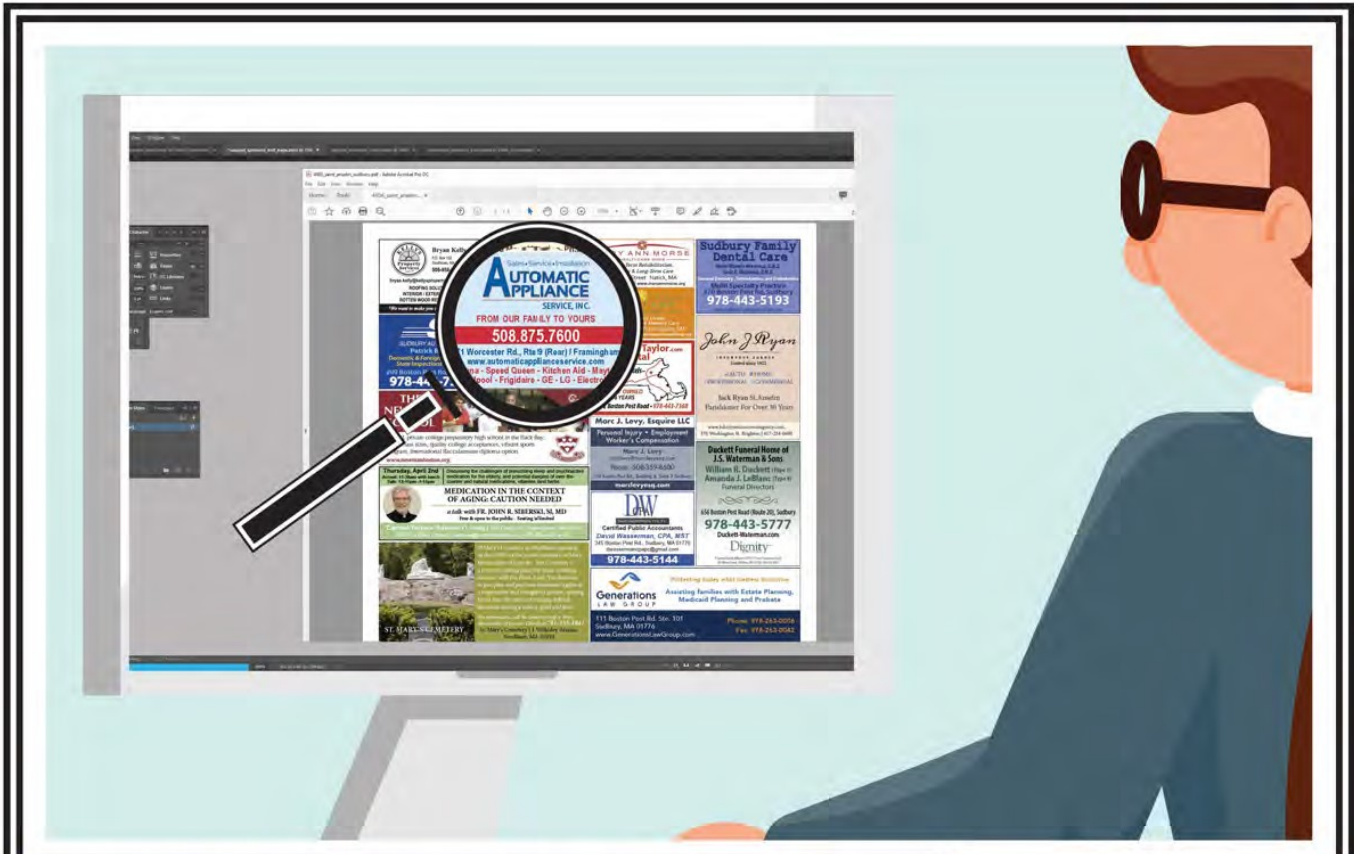
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