

**HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
COLLABORATIVE PARISHES**

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

**Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday**

April 28, 2019



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*“Unless I see the mark
of the nails in his
hands and put my
finger into the
nailmarks and put
my hand into his side,
I will not believe.”*

(Jn 20:23)

*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

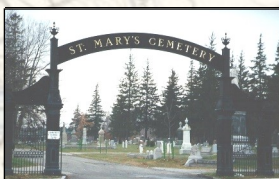
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Collaborative Mass Schedule

Saturday (4/27)

4:00pm **IC** *Stanley Jancewicz, Elizabeth J. Hanlon, Marion Laverty, James Lysik, Jedrey Connors, Charles Kelly, Lorri Hager* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (4/28)

7:15am **IC** *May Murray* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am **IC** *Sonny Marcoux, John Graham, John Grealish, Matthew Corbett, Joseph & Jeannette Donahue* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)

11:30am **IC** *Ann Hickey, Edna V. Eaton, Gail M. Watson, Nicola, Angelina & Francesco Maiello, Joel Eiserman, Sean Perkins* (Fr. McLaughlin)

Monday (4/29)

9:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)

Tuesday (4/30)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (5/1)

7:15am **IC** *Regina M. Stronge, Rita Diamantopoulos* (Fr. Morin)

Thursday (5/2)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

Friday (5/3)

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

1:30pm **Avita** (Fr. McLaughlin)

Saturday (5/4)

4:00pm **IC** *Jerry Cody, Marion Laverty* (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

Sunday (5/5)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

9:00am **IC** *Mary Collins Dupont, Richard Dylingowski* (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Dow)

10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)

11:30am **IC** *Lena & Andrew Filomia, Mary Razza, Luke Picillo* (Fr. Harrison)

In your prayers, please remember Gertrude C. O'Handley, John E. Hopwood, and all the faithful departed.

The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.

IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday's Gospel reading, often referred to as the "Doubting Thomas" story, is often used to comfort those of us who harbor our own doubts about our faith from time to time. Although we sometimes champion those of great surety, there is no shame in having questions. In fact, it is frequently through the entertainment of our questions and doubts that we come to greater knowledge of our faith and life in general.

But there is a gem, hidden in plain sight, in today's passage. It is the fact that Jesus knew what Thomas was saying, when nobody saw or recognized Him as being present in the room. Though subtle, this little detail underscores a much greater reality that the early disciples would come to awareness of: Jesus' enduring presence in the gathered disciples. He once said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Mt 18:20). This wasn't a spiritual nosegay, a nice saying or pleasant platitude that conjures the idea of having nice thoughts about Jesus or warm remembrances of His past time among us. No, what Thomas and the disciples came to realize quite directly was that Jesus really meant that He would be actually with us when we gathered in His name. Meaning, that when we came together to share our sacred stories, He would be there in the room. When we cared for the poor, He was there, caring for them with us. When we visited the sick, He was there in that visit. When we proclaimed His forgiveness of others in His name, He would be there, forgiving them directly. Whenever we broke bread in His name, He would be present in that breaking of bread, in that sharing of a cup. Whenever we suffered because of His name, He suffered with us. The closing line of Matthew's Gospel reads: "And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Mt 28:20). Jesus really meant it!

In the weeks ahead, the Church invites us to unpack the many different and amazing ways that the disciples came to experience and understand the shocking reality of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. One of the true joys of Easter is discovering for ourselves the many varied and exciting ways that we come to know the Risen One in our daily lives.

Where do we see and encounter the Risen Jesus today?

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor



Free Hair Cuts

Donna Koen, a parishioner and licensed hairdresser of 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.

Bulletin Information

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

Catholic TV

Visit www.catholicTV.com for a schedule of the latest program details on America's Catholic Television Network.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, April 29

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

IC First Eucharist Rehearsal (Sat., May 4 Group) 4:30pm, IC Church

HR Boy Scouts Meeting 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Tuesday, April 30

IC Knitting Ministry 1:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

IC First Eucharist Rehearsal (Sun., May 5 Group) 4:30pm, IC Church

Breaking Bread Meal 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Wednesday, May 1

IC PTO Meeting 8:30am, IC St. Louis Hall

Holy Jammers Practice 9:00am, IC Conference Room 209

Holy Quilters 1:00pm, Nativity Hall

IC Youth Choir Rehearsal 4:30pm, IC Church

Adoration 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel

Centering Prayer 6:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

IC Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

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

Thursday, May 2

HR Prayer Shawl 1:00pm, Nativity Hall

Rosary for Life 6:30pm, IC St. James Chapel

Friday, May 3

Adoration 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel

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

Saturday, May 4

Holy Quilters 8:00am, Nativity Hall

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 3:30pm, Nativity Church

Sunday, May 5

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 7:45am, Nativity Church

St. Ann Choir Rehearsal 9:45am, St. Ann Church

Baptism Class 1:00pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Discovering Christ Series 3:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

HR Religious Ed., Grades 9 & 10 Youth Mass & Potluck Supper 5:00pm, Nativity Church & Hall

Disciples in Mission Survey

In the weeks ahead, parishioners will be invited to participate in a brief, online survey to gauge the effectiveness and understanding of the Archdiocesan initiative called, "Disciples in Mission." This is the overall guiding document that was introduced in 2012 and has produced the system of collaboratives (or pairing of parishes) that the entire Archdiocese is in the process of being reorganized into. The entire text of "Disciples in Mission" as well as the online survey may be found at: <http://www.disciplesinmission.com>.

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Community Food Pantry

First Parish Church of Newbury Community Food Pantry, 20 High Road, Newbury, is open every Friday from 3:00pm–5:00pm for anyone in need in the Collaborative's towns as well as Georgetown, Rowley, and Salisbury. The volunteers are very welcoming and no one is made to feel uncomfortable when visiting. No registration or proof of residency required. Fresh fruit and vegetables, many types of frozen meats, pasta, and desserts, as well as an array of canned goods, toiletries, etc. are available.

If you would like to donate, nonperishable goods, personal hygiene products, and/or pet food may be dropped off on Sunday mornings from 9:30–11:30am. Grocery store gift cards as well as cash/checks (made out to "First Parish" and write "food pantry" in the memo) are always welcome.

Choral Society Concert

**Newburyport Choral Society to Perform
"Voices of America" Concert**

Saturday, May 4 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday May 5 at 4:00 p.m., at Belleville Congregational Church, 300 High St. Newburyport. (Pre-concert lecture begins 90 minutes before each performance).

The NCS Spring Concert "Voices of America" will feature Leonard Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms*, Aaron Copland's *Old American Songs*, and the New England premiere of a new work by contemporary composer Andrew Maxfield. Through these inspiring works, audiences will be connected to different dimensions of the best of the American spirit. For information: www.newburyportchoralsociety.org.

Online Resources

Visit our **Collaborative Website**, www.hriccatholic.org for up-to-date information on groups, meetings, religious ed., Mass times, registration forms, and current events. Link to our **calendar**, **Twitter**, **Instagram**, and **Facebook** pages, view our current and archived bulletins, find other Catholic websites, see our Get Involved tab to see how your talents can be utilized, or check out the photos section. We have so much happening in our Collaborative.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



Immaculate Conception School

Teaching children to be
good role models
is a **top priority**



Kindness, caring and respectful behavior are reflected in every aspect of the learning environment at the IC... and that's what makes us such a special school!

See if Immaculate Conception School is the right choice for your family, visit us!

OPEN HOUSE

9 - 11 AM

- Thursday, May 9
- Wednesday, May 22

Call Kelley Pappalardo
(978) 465-7780 for a private tour

One Washington Street, Newburyport, MA 01950 • icsnewburyport.com

Celebrating the Sacraments

Reconciliation

IC: Saturdays: 3:00pm to 3:30pm or by appointment.
HR: Saturdays before the 4:00pm Mass or by appointment.

Baptism

Call the Parish offices for information and to register.

Marriage

Archdiocesan guidelines request that couples planning to marry in the Church contact the church at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick

This Sacrament should not be seen as only administered when there is danger of death. Please call us if someone is in the hospital, so that we can visit the loved one and have the community pray for them.

Questions of the Week

Adult: Give one example of how you will show your belief in Jesus this week.

Child: How can you show Jesus to another person this week by how you act?

Centering Prayer

Welcome All Members of Our Collaborative Family

Centering Prayer, resting silently in God, facilitates the process of inner transformation. Our prayer without words is one of intention to surrender to God's presence and action in our lives and desire for a closer relationship with God. As God moves us closer to him, through our daily discipline of silent prayer, we find our focus turns from self to God and we are blessed with the fruits of Centering Prayer.

Join us on Wednesdays, 6:00pm-7:00pm, in the IC Conference Room 209. Join us as we pray in this ancient Christian tradition and together deepen our understanding of this prayer in our own spiritual journey. For information please contact Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483 or visit our website at www.hricatholic.org/Get-Involved.

EWTN: Catholic News

Want the latest Catholic News? EWTN News has got you covered. Check this link daily for news about the Catholic Church, and the latest issues in Catholicism. EWTN News: Your Online Catholic Resource.

www.ewtnnews.com/

Parish Membership

We welcome all newcomers to our Parish communities and hope you take an active part in parish life. Please introduce yourself and register in the parish. Forms are available online at www.hricatholic.org or you can call the Parish offices.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Cursillo and Ultreya

The Cursillo weekend is an invitation for you to experience the love of Jesus Christ on a personal level and to bring this love into your daily life. Many of your HRIC brothers and sisters have experienced this “short course in Christianity” at St. Basil’s Salvatorian Center in Methuen, MA and we invite you to include Cursillo as part of your faith journey.

Each month, we gather for an “Ultreya” (onward!) evening of Liturgy, sharing, food and fellowship at 7pm in St. James Chapel to continue the Cursillo spirit. All are welcome. Please join us! For more information, contact Jonathan Temple 978-809-9337 or Pat Forbes 617-899-0424.

Cursillo/Ultreya Calendar 2019

Cursillo weekends	Ultreya evenings
May 2, Women	May 31
June 6, Women	
October 3, Men	
November 7, Women	

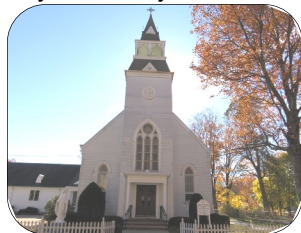
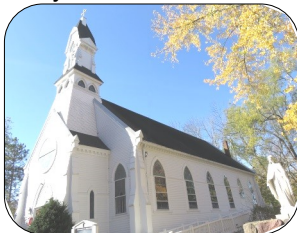
Mass Scripture Readings: April 28–May 5, 2019

In praying with the Scriptures, we have the opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Lord while discerning His ever-gracious invitation to love as He loves us. Please refer to the HRIC webpage to learn about Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go to <http://www.hricatholic.org/blog/lectio-divina> or to www.HRICcatholic.org and click on HRIC Pastoral Plan and then click on Lectio Divina.

- Sunday, April 28: Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 118; Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; John 21:19-31
- Monday, April 29: Acts 4:23-31; Psalm 2; John 3:1-8
- Tuesday, April 30: Acts 4:32-37; Psalm 93; John 3:7b-15
- Wednesday, May 1: Acts 5:17-26; Psalm 34; John 3:16-21
- Thursday, May 2: Acts 5:27-33; Psalm 34; John 3:31-36
- Friday, May 3: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Psalm 19; John 14:6-14
- Saturday, May 4: Acts 6:1-7; Psalm 33; John 6:16-21
- Sunday, May 5: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Our Collaborative

Holy Redeemer: St. Ann, W. Newbury & Nativity, Merrimac



Immaculate Conception, Newburyport



Calling All Cooks



The ChristLife Hospitality Team is setting up a team of volunteers to provide meals for the weekly meetings of **Discovering Christ** on Sunday afternoons from April 28–June 16. We will provide volunteer cooks with: one 9x13 foil casserole pan, one easy to follow recipe card, and a reminder phone call or email. We’re asking our volunteer cooks to provide: the time required to prepare one casserole dish, the cost of the ingredients, and delivery of the hot meal to church at 4:30 p.m. on their designated Sunday(s). There’s no need to volunteer every week. One week will be deeply appreciated as will any more our volunteers choose to cook. Would you be able to help us? **Sign up at the ChristLife volunteer link on hricatholic.org or contact: Mary Bragg: 978-465-8779.**

Archdiocese Web Site

Visit www.bostoncatholic.org for the latest news and information around the Archdiocese of Boston.

Our Neighbors’ Table

Our Neighbors’ Table would like to announce that we’ve opened a new market in Newburyport—so come and shop with us for free.

The ONT Newburyport Market is open Thursdays from 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. We are located at Community Service of Newburyport, 35 Summer Street, in the lower level of St. Paul’s Church. For your convenience we have several saved on-street parking spots in front of the market.

Each ONT location offers a beautiful, modern market where fresh, healthy food is made available to anyone in need—at no charge! There are no income requirements, just bring an ID with you.

We look forward to showing you around our Newburyport Market. If you have any further questions call Our Neighbors’ Table at 978-388-1907.



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HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

Offertory, April 13-14	\$ 3,236.00
Good Friday, Holy Lands	\$ 456.00
Easter, April 20-21	\$ 6,613.00
HR Grand Annual	\$20,335.00

The second collection this weekend is the Monthly.

Catholic Appeal

Goal \$22,183.00
To Date \$19,101.00
86% of goal



\$22,183
\$15,000
\$10,000
\$ 5,000

Easter Flowers

Additional donations made in memory/honor of:

Hal & Rosemary O'Connor • Kathy O'Connor • Anne & Dan Hayes • Joe & Kate Cassidy • Frank & Agnes Morris • Bob Nevins.

Saturday Mass at St. Ann

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00pm Mass will move to **St. Ann, W. Newbury** on **May 11**.

HR St. Vincent de Paul Society



Please return your mite boxes whenever convenient. You can leave them at the rear of either church.

Again, the Holy Redeemer conference thanks you for your generous almsgiving during Lent. Remember that the donations help those in need in Merrimac and West Newbury.

If you are writing a check for us, please write the check to HR Saint Vincent de Paul to help expedite our banking.

We are always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming part of a wonderful organization, contact Dave Olds.

HR Religious Education

Sun., 4/28 First Communion at St. Ann Church, 10:15 a.m. Mass. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Sun., May 5 Youth Mass at 5:00 p.m. at Church of the Nativity with Fr. George presiding. Pot Luck dinner to follow at 6:00 p.m. in Nativity Hall. **There is still time to let Mrs. O'Leary if you could serve at the Mass (altar server, lector, or Eucharistic Minister) email me.**

Also, you can let me know what dish you will bring to the Pot Luck, if you haven't signed up as yet. Thank you!

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

Holy Redeemer's Scout Troop 41 will be preparing a **complimentary Pancake Breakfast** for the entire parish on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, after the 8:00 Mass at Nativity. The scouts are thankful for the continued support from the Parish of their scouting journey. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, and fruit. Please, plan on attending. All are welcome.

If anyone grade 6 or older is interested in learning more about the troop or joining, contact the scoutmaster, Mark Townsend. All faiths welcome.

HR Prayer Shawl



Do you know of any woman, man, or child who needs comfort and could use a Blessed Prayer Shawl or Lap Blanket? Please call Helen Kelley 978-771-4673 or Terry Duhamel 978-384-8099 for a shawl or more information.

Come join us. Don't know how? We will teach you to knit or crochet and give you yarn. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 1:00pm. Our next meeting is **Thursday, May 2**.

Women's Evening of Prayer

The next Women's Evening of Prayer is Wednesday, May 23 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ann Church.

All women of the Collaborative are invited to attend this evening of prayer and song. Invite your friends.

How lovely our churches looked this Easter!



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IC Offertory Collection

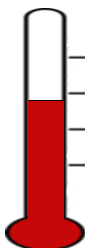
Offertory, April 13–14	\$10,828.00
Restoration/Renovation	\$ 1,751.00
Good Friday, Holy Lands	\$ 1,277.00
Easter, April 20–21	\$14,972.00
IC Grand Annual	\$77,180.00

The second collection **this** weekend is the Monthly. The second collection **next** weekend is Restoration/Renovation.

Due to a printing error, we are scheduling the Pastor's Charity Account Collection for May 19, 2019. Please save your envelopes until this date.

Catholic Appeal

Goal \$55,614.00
To Date \$36,898.00
66% of goal



\$55,614
\$40,000
\$25,000
\$10,000

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.) Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office. Once you register, visit our website, hricatholic.org and click the “Links” tab, 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 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, Groveland, Merrimac, Newbury, West Newbury, Newburyport, Rowley, and Salisbury. If you have any questions contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit our website, www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more.

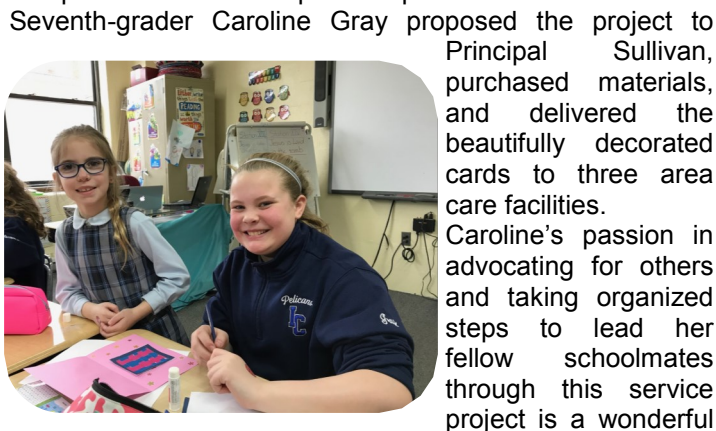
Consolers Circle Meal

The IC community offers a light meal to families who have lost a loved one. The meal, provided by volunteers, 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. Inform the funeral director that you request this service when making arrangements.

Immaculate Conception School



The IC students enjoyed a service-learning “Buddy Activity” just before adjourning for Easter vacation. The “Buddy Program” is designed to cultivate a sense of community, foster relationships across grades, and provide important role-modeling opportunities for students. Pictured, Buddies work together to make Happy Spring and Easter cards for area nursing home residents and patients at Anna Jaques Hospital.



Seventh-grader Caroline Gray proposed the project to Principal Sullivan, purchased materials, and delivered the beautifully decorated cards to three area care facilities. Caroline’s passion in advocating for others and taking organized steps to lead her fellow schoolmates through this service project is a wonderful example of what Immaculate Conception School cultivates within the educational experience for all ages.



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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Religious Education

Religious Ed. Office: 978-462-2724

School Year Programs

The School Year program for Grades K–8 has finished for this academic year. Thank you to all who took part in making it a wonderful, Faith-filled experience for our children.

Registration forms for the upcoming school year beginning September, 2019 will be available in June.

Watch the bulletin for updates.

Grades 1–8 Summer Program

Depending upon the availability of volunteers to teach and assist, we anticipate offering a week of Religious Education for those students **entering** Grades 1–8 in September of 2019. This will be held **the week of June 24–28** for this age group.

Registration forms are available. If you have not yet received one or you are able to volunteer, please contact the Religious Ed. office.

Summer Volunteers

We are once again asking for assistance in making our Summer Program a reality. Registration forms are being submitted, but **there is still a huge need for catechists/assistants**. We do not want to have to turn any applicants away.

Many families depend on this week of Faith Formation as classes during the school year are not feasible for them. Please consider offering your time the week of June 24. Perhaps you could co-teach with a friend. For more information as to what this would entail please contact the Religious Ed. office.

Reconciliation / First Eucharist

We are looking forward to the celebration of First Eucharist on **Saturday, May 4 at the 4:00pm Liturgy** followed by another celebration on **Sunday, May 5 at the 11:30am Liturgy**.

Rehearsals for these 2 sessions will begin promptly at **4:30pm in the church**.

Upcoming rehearsals:

Monday, April 29 **for those receiving on Saturday, May 4**

Tuesday, April 30 **for those receiving on Sunday, May 5**

If you are not sure of your scheduled date for Eucharist, please check with the Religious Ed. Office.

Baptism Dates to Remember

Please call the Parish Office for information regarding the next **Baptism class** which is scheduled for **Sunday, May 5** with the sacrament scheduled to be celebrated on May 12.

IC Knitting Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Knitting Group meets Tuesdays at 1:00pm in Room 209 in the IC Parish Center. We knit/crochet prayer shawls, hats, mittens, and scarves for charity.

Come join us; we meet every Tuesday at 1:00pm. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call Julia O'Connor 978-465-3350 or Frances Ronan 978-462-4972.

Adoration & Rosary

Please join us for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration in IC's St. James Chapel in the Parish Center on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Fridays at 8:00 a.m. Join us for recitation of the Rosary on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus

The next monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Tuesday, May 14** at 7:30pm in the IC Nazareth Library, Room 205. We welcome new members to this long-standing group of Catholic men. For more information, contact us at membership@kofc231.org, (978) 572-0231.

Local Knights are encouraged to ensure email addresses are on file so volunteer opportunities are communicated. Please contact us at membership@kofc231.org.



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Confirmation

For those students who anticipate receiving the sacrament this fall, please note that Confirmation will take place on **Sunday, September 22** here at IC. Information regarding the retreat and rehearsal times will be made available as soon as possible. Any questions please contact the Religious Education office.

Confirmation Summer Program

A summer session will be held the week of July 15 for those students **entering** Grade 9 in September.

For those students **entering** Grade 10 in September, classes will be held the week of July 22.

These classes will be held in the evenings from 5:30–8pm. Registration forms are available. If you have not yet received one, please contact the Religious Ed. office.



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