

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

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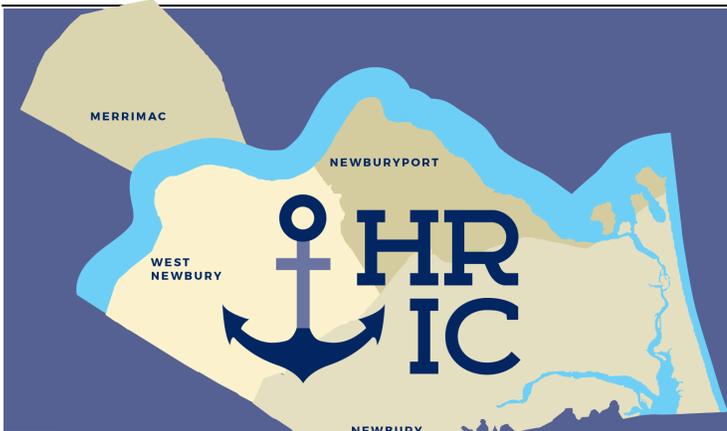
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*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In
verdant pastures he gives me repose.*

(PS 23:1)

All Are Welcome



Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

“Come all you who are thirsty, come to the waters...”

St. Ann

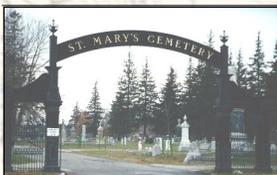
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

- Saturday (7/17)**
 4:00pm **IC** (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Moranski)
 4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. McLaughlin)
- Sunday (7/18)**
 8:30am **Nativity** *For the intentions of Dr. Dorothy Kardas* (Fr. Stanley)
 9:00am **IC** *For the intentions of Harold McKenna* (Fr. Harrison)
 10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. McLaughlin)
 11:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)
- Monday (7/19)**
 9:00am **IC** *Mrs. Magda Javor* (Fr. Harrison)
- Tuesday (7/20)**
 9:00am **IC** *Jackie Gibbons* (Fr. Harrison)
- Wednesday (7/21)**
 9:00am **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)
- Thursday (7/22)**
 9:00am **IC** *George H. (Buzzie) Lawler, III* (Fr. Stanley)
- Friday (7/23)**
 9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)
- Saturday (7/24)**
 4:00pm **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Dow)
 4:00pm **Nativity** *Armand & Therese Cormier* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
- Sunday (7/25)**
 8:30am **Nativity** *Erwin Batchelder* (Fr. Harrison)
 9:00am **IC** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
 10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)
 11:00am **IC** (Fr. Stanley)

In your prayers, please remember all the faithful departed.

IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

Facebook **Saturday Vigil Mass is broadcast online through**
Facebook: ([Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes](#))

Prayers for the Sick

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

Dan Bedard	Vincent Oberhofer
Priscilla Brown	Mary Shachok
Joseph Buonomo	Ruth Sullivan
Charmaine Haan	Ron Sylvester
Bridie Hubley	Michael Tucker
Joe Messina	

Collaborative Baptisms

We rejoice with the families of our new brothers and sisters who received the Sacrament of Baptism in June.

**Madelyn Lee Beaton • Charlotte Mae Castiglione •
 Colby Gerard Curt • William Jeffrey Hensher •
 Fliinn Renate Johnston • Oliana May Johnston •
 Brynne Theresa Lydon • Collins Ruth Saddler**

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Even in Jesus' time, there was a need to take a break from the daily work and rest a bit. The crowds were constantly pressing upon Him, people were seeking Him, the needs were intense. After sending His disciples on a short missionary stint, they, too, were in need of a respite. It was good to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."



There are different kinds of "tired," however. There's the physical fatigue that sets in with repeated action. Usually a short break and maybe a little food or drink will restore the worker to continue for a while. Then there's the mind-numbing kind of fatigue that comes from constantly thinking through complex tasks and scenarios. A burst of physical activity might actually be the thing needed to restore the person and refresh the spirit. And then there is the cumulative effect of days or weeks of actions and work that take longer to restore. It is a deeper kind of being tired that is not so easily refreshed. A week's vacation or longer is needed, a total break in the routine has to happen to bring a person back to wholeness and inner stability. A single day off won't do to satisfy this kind of fatigue.

It is not clear exactly how tired Jesus and His disciples were after their missionary journey and repeated efforts to minister to the crowds. Clearly, Jesus and His followers were striking deep chords within people's lives and winning over minds and hearts. For better or not, they had become local celebrities who were providing hope and healing in ways that no one else could.

But they were also human, meaning that they got tired and needed rest and some time to clear their heads and regroup for the journey ahead. There were many moments when Jesus left the people of one village to press on towards another place where He intended to proclaim the Gospel as well. This sometimes meant leaving behind some needs in order to look ahead to needs that were yet unmet. And, on occasion, to just go and take a deep breath for a moment.

In the midst of busy lives with constant pressures, it can be hard to take a little "me time." Balancing work, community obligations, family needs, among others is more of an art form than an exact science. Get it wrong and we either end up with a string of failures and strained relationships or we easily become sick and unable to follow through on our commitments. It is important that we find the "sweet spot" and fulfill our duties to God, others, and self with appropriate measure and steadiness.

Jesus teaches His disciples that it is OK to take a break every once and a while, even though not everyone who could have been cured is healed or every demon that plagues the people has been driven out. There will be time tomorrow to pick up the task anew. But it is vital to take some personal time to pray, reflect on how things have transpired, and get the rest needed to engage the Gospel

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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

In-person activities & meetings this week:

Monday, July 19

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

Tuesday, July 20

Breaking Bread Takeout-Only Meal 4:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Wednesday, July 21

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

HR Activities Committee Meeting 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

New Hope Family Support Group 7:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Thursday, July 22

Evangelization Support Team Mtg. 7:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Adoration 7:15pm, IC Church

Friday, July 23

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

Saturday, July 24

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

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

Holy Communion in the Hand

Although most of the COVID-related restrictions at Mass have been lifted in recent weeks, one thing we are still being asked to do by the Archdiocese is to *receive Holy Communion only in the hand*. When Holy Communion is received on the tongue, it is very likely that the communicant will breathe on the hands of the priest or minister. It is very possible that small droplets of saliva or mucus from the mouth or lungs (which could contain COVID) could be transferred onto the hands of those distributing Communion and possibly passed on to others.

It is for this reason that those distributing Communion would be required to stop and sanitize their hands after every person whom they gave Communion to on the tongue. If we had to do this for everyone, the Communion procession would take an inordinate amount of time and become hopelessly cumbersome. So at this time everyone is being asked to only receive Communion in the hand. This is a temporary restriction that likely will be lifted in the months to come. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we continue to recover from the pandemic.

Confessions



We are now offering Saturday afternoon confessions from **3:00–3:30 p.m.** at Immaculate Conception Church. No appointment necessary. These will be held in the main body of the church at the discretion of the priest.

Confessions will also continue to be available at other times and places during the week by appointment only.

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

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anew. It does little good if a disciple throws him or herself 110% into ministering in one village only to get so sick and burned-out from the experience that they have to skip the next three villages that they were supposed to go to. Ministry is a long-term game, and disciples must pace themselves along the way.

So...it is summer. School's out, for those who are connected to education in any way. The weather is beautiful (mostly). New England is at its best (or at least at the peak of one of its best seasons, with a proper nod to all you leaf-peepers and skiers out there). We are coming out of a tough 17 months of pandemic lockdowns and self-isolation. The collective stress and anxiety that we have all experienced has added its own level of communal fatigue to our day-to-day tiredness. Even Jesus encouraged His followers to get some rest, to relax and unwind, to chill and refill. So...what are we going to do about it? What do each of us need to do to reinvigorate ourselves for the road ahead? How can we better help others to get their needed rest? What would God ask of me in the midst of the many responsibilities of my life? What does new life mean to me? Where can I find it and experience it for the sake of the Kingdom?

Ultimately, we will find our true rest and refreshment only in the Lord. But until we enter into the fullness of God's Kingdom, we must pace ourselves to cover the greatest amount of ground with the most love we can muster. And that requires occasional rest. Let us all be good stewards of the gifts we have received from the Lord!

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

Collaborative Pastoral Council

We have completed our first full year and are seeking the names of people you think might be good candidates for this Council. We are now looking for parishioners who might be interested in serving in this capacity. At this point we would just like the names of people who might serve the Collaborative in this way. Please list your own name if you are interested and/or the names of others. No need to ask them at this point—this will be done as the process unfolds. No one will be chosen for this Council until they fully understand what they are being asked to do and the time involved. This is just the initial surfacing of names.

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 Collaborative.

If you are interested in serving on the Council, consider nominating yourself. All confirmed, active, practicing members of the parishes who are 16 years old or older are eligible to be nominated. Please send the name, address, and phone number of individuals (if you have that information) you choose to nominate and email this information to jimwilliamson35@gmail.com by **August 15, 2021**. Thank you for your assistance in this important aspect of the life of our Collaborative. Please also pray for the work of this Council. Selection of candidates for expiring terms will be chosen by lot in late August.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

IC Parking Lot Maintenance

To our Neighbors,

Beginning **Monday, July 19** the Immaculate Conception parking lot will be closed for approximately one week for maintenance (resealing and repainting).

Working with the contractor, we will do everything we can to avoid any damage to vehicles that are parked on the streets alongside the parking lot. However, you may wish, at your discretion, to park elsewhere during this time.

We do apologize for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,

The Immaculate Conception Parish and School



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/

Questions of the Week



Adult: Jesus knew His disciples needed time to rest and renew. To be a better disciple of Jesus, do you make time in your schedule to rest and renew through prayer?

Child: Think about what activities you have scheduled for the week. Have you made time for prayer each day?

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.

[mass.gov/foster-care](https://www.mass.gov/foster-care) | 1-800-kids-508

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

Facebook Mass

To watch our **Saturday 4:00 p.m. live-stream Mass:**

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.

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.

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

Mary: Ark of the Covenant & Jesus: Bread in the Monstrance



With reverence we extol Our Lady who bore Jesus in her womb, but we worship the Real Presence of her Son in the Monstrance at **Adoration**. This posture releases ineffable treasures that expand every soul with graces that flow from their Sacred Hearts!

Don't miss a chance to encounter Our Lady & Our Lord who longs to spend one-on-one time with you! Join us for **Adoration**.

Time: Thursday evenings 7:15–8:00 p.m. (rain or shine)

Place: IC Church

Absent a clergy presider:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament only.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

History of St. Ann Church

On July 25, St. Ann Church will celebrate the feast day of its patron saint, St. Anne (or Ann). Scripture does not speak of St. Anne. However, our Lord's calling her to be the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the maternal grandmother of Jesus gives testimony to St. Ann(e)'s holiness and virtue. On the weekend of St. Ann(e)'s feast day, we will dedicate a petition in our Collaborative Prayers of the Faithful to honor St. Ann(e) and to seek her intercession across our Collaborative congregations and churches.

St. Ann Church has served the residents of West Newbury for over 120 years. In 2006, St. Ann merged with the Church of the Nativity in Merrimac to form Holy Redeemer Parish. In 2015, Holy Redeemer Parish joined with Immaculate Conception Parish and Church serving Newbury and Newburyport to form the Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception (HRIC) Collaborative. The HRIC Collaborative shares resources and serves the faith communities across its wide geographic span.

It is always good to remember where we came from in order to chart our forward course. We are sure you will enjoy looking back at a brief history of the establishment of the town of West Newbury and our beloved St. Ann Church.

West Newbury was part of the area settled in 1635 as Newbury Plantation. In 1759, Enoch Noyes began manufacturing "horn buttons" and coarse combs of various kinds. This was the beginning of the comb making industry in the area. On June 14, 1820, the legislature named the area West Newbury. Over the last forty or so years, West Newbury has evolved from a rural farming town into a

thriving community. The town's oldest continually operating farm is Long Hill Orchard. The farm has been active since 1896 and has a long and interesting history. West Newbury is separated from Newburyport by the Artichoke River and its upper and lower reservoirs. Several other rivers and brooks, including the Indian River, flow through the town.



St. Ann Church

Until the mid-1880's, West Newbury Catholics walked to Haverhill or Newburyport to attend Mass and to receive the sacraments. By the 1860s, a visiting priest from Newburyport celebrated Mass in the West Newbury "Old Town Hall" and confessions were heard in various homes. Under Rev. McClure's pastorship, ground was broken for a much-needed church. Rev. McClure was a generous contributor to the building fund. Parishioners raised all needed funds through cash donations or donations of time and labor, and the church was built and furnished with no debt. St. Ann's first Mass was celebrated on Christmas Eve, 1879. The church was dedicated in May, 1880. St. Ann, at that time, did not have its own pastor and was a mission church of the Church of the Nativity in Merrimac. In 1945, St. Ann was granted official status as an independent parish and received its first pastor. Initially, the pastor lived in a home on Main Street, but later the parish acquired an old colonial period home on Maple Street which they razed and then built the current rectory. The old water pump in the front yard is all that remains from the original house. The parish flourished for 126 years and in October, 2006, the Archdiocese merged St. Ann Church in West Newbury and the Church of the Nativity in Merrimac to form the Holy Redeemer Parish. Both historic churches are still in use today, with Masses said each week.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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 (ext. 1000)** and let us know how we can help.



Neighbors Helping Neighbors volunteers would love to give you a call to chat or send you a note. We know that this is a difficult period for everyone, particularly to those who live alone. Let us help brighten your day! If you would be interested in receiving a call or note, please call the HRIC offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 (ext. 1000) 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 on the United States Council of Catholic Bishops' website at bible.usccb.org. 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.HRICcatholic.org; click on HRIC Pastoral Plan; and then click on Lectio Divina.

Bulletin Information

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



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

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, July 10–11	\$1,405.00
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No second collection this weekend (July 18) or next weekend (July 25).

If you would like to mail in your collections, send them to

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

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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, hriccatholic.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 Holiday Fair Update



The Activities Committee is planning on having a “scaled down version” of our Holiday Fair, keeping a watchful eye on the CDC recommendations.

The fair will be held **Saturday, November 20**, in the Nativity Hall.

We will be meeting to discuss this fair on **Wednesday, July 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Nativity Hall**. All are welcome to join our group!

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Our conference continues to help those in need and could not do this without your generous offerings. We help with rent, utilities, and food and gas cards; these are the biggest needs right now.

Make checks out to HR SVdP and mail to 4 Green Street, Merrimac, MA 01860 or place in the poor boxes at the back of each church. The boxes are emptied on a regular basis.

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 fall 2021 schedule for those children entering Grades K–8 will be posted here as well as on our Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org in the coming weeks. Contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 ext. 7405) or email aqiard@newburyportcatholic.org with questions.

Thank you to all those who helped in any capacity with the programs held this past academic year.

Volunteers Needed! Summer Faith Formation

We are happy to announce that we are planning to offer a week of Faith Formation (IC campus) for students in grades 3–8 the week of August 9–13.

In order for this to take place, however, we need volunteers to serve as catechists or as classroom assistants. Please help us to make this program a reality for the children in our Collaborative. The Office of Faith Formation can be reached at 978-462-2724 x7405 or by contacting Aaron at aqiard@newburyportcatholic.org.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

We have been so pleased to be able to share the celebration of First Eucharist with so many of our Collaborative families!

Over the course of this past month, 72 children came to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

Please keep these children in your prayers!

Baptism

Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724) for information regarding the celebration of the sacrament.

Confirmation

Information regarding the fall 2021 Confirmation Prep. schedule for grades 9 and 10 will be posted here as well as on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org in the coming weeks.

HR Prayer Shawl



*Fr. Tim
 blesses the
 prayer
 shawls
 during Mass*

If you know of anyone who needs a prayer shawl, please give their name to 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.

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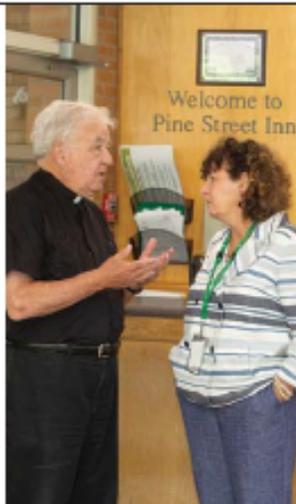
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IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, July 10–11	\$4,122.00
Monthly, July 10–11	\$1,013.00
Mailed-in Offertory, week ending July 9	\$2,740.00

The second collection this weekend (July 18) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. The second collection next weekend (July 25) is Electrical Cooling Costs.

If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to
Immaculate Conception Parish
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You can also sign up for online giving. Visit our website to learn more: hriccatholic.org/IC-Online-Giving.

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IC Haiti Appeal

Dear Parishioners, the next collection for IC Haiti will be taken up during Yankee Homecoming weekend (July 31–August 1). Once again, we appeal to your care for, and generosity toward, the children and school community of Puit Chacha, Haiti. Since 2009 we have responded to the basic needs of our brothers and sisters in Haiti despite hurricanes, earthquakes, health crises, and political unrest.

During the worldwide pandemic, we've experienced a reduction in our collection totals, but still we've been able to keep the Fr. Marc Piché elementary school up and running. We were also able to provide funding for the construction of a Covid-care building for those who were unable to be attended to properly at home or at the hospital complex in Fond des Blanc. Now, despite the pandemic remaining a constant health concern and political unrest brought on by the recent assassination of Haiti's president threatening to disrupt Haiti's social, political, and economic systems, we will not be deterred from continuing our mission to the school community in Puit Chacha. Let us continue to support our brothers and sisters there with our prayers and financial gifts.

On July 31– August 1, please use the special IC Haiti envelopes and make out checks to "IC Haiti."

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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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, HRIC 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** • 4:30–5:30 p. m. at the entrance to the IC Parish Center. All are welcome!

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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.

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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. Visit our website at tcfnewburyport.org.

Our monthly support meetings are held in the IC Parish Center, Room 209 at 7:30–9:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month. Our next meeting is **July 26**.

Barbara J. Hopkinson is founder and chapter leader. Contact Barbara for questions on either TCF or ABJ at barbarajhopkinson@gmail.com.

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

We welcome all to join us Wednesday at 6:00–7:00 p.m. via Zoom for 30 minutes of Centering Prayer. This ancient prayer practice opens our minds and hearts to hear God's words as we continue by reading Sacred Scripture in group Lectio Divina. For the next 30 minutes we listen to God's words, ponder and share what we hear the Lord saying to us here and now, and contemplate God's message to us and let it guide our choices and actions. For more information and the Zoom and in-person schedule, please call Elizabeth McCarthy, 978- 462-7483.

Family Support Group

The Knights of Columbus present New Hope Family Support Group. New Hope seeks to support family members of those battling addiction. Meetings are held in IC St. Louis Hall at 7:00 p.m., on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month.

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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.

Information regarding the fall 2021 schedule for those children entering grades K–8 will be posted here as well as on our Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org in the coming weeks. Contact the Faith Formation office (978-462-2724 ext. 7405) or email agiard@newburyportcatholic.org with questions.

Thank you to all those who helped in any capacity with the programs held this past academic year.

Volunteers Needed! Summer Faith Formation

We are happy to announce that we are planning to offer a week of Faith Formation (IC campus) for students in grades 3–8 the week of August 9–13.

In order for this to take place, however, we need volunteers to serve as catechists or as classroom assistants. Please help us to make this program a reality for the children in our Collaborative. The Office of Faith Formation can be reached at 978-462-2724 x7405 or by contacting Aaron at agiard@newburyportcatholic.org.

Confirmation

Information regarding the fall 2021 Confirmation Prep. schedule for grades 9 and 10 will be posted here as well as on the Collaborative website: hriccatholic.org in the coming weeks.

Baptism

Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724) for information regarding the celebration of the sacrament.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

We have been so pleased to be able to share the celebration of First Eucharist with so many of our Collaborative families!

Over the course of this past month, 72 children came to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

Please keep these children in your prayers!

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Knights of Columbus



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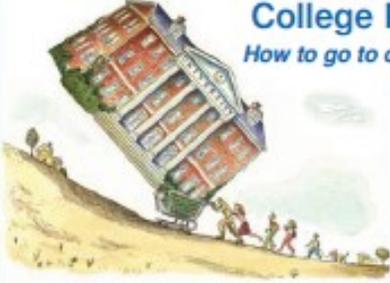
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