

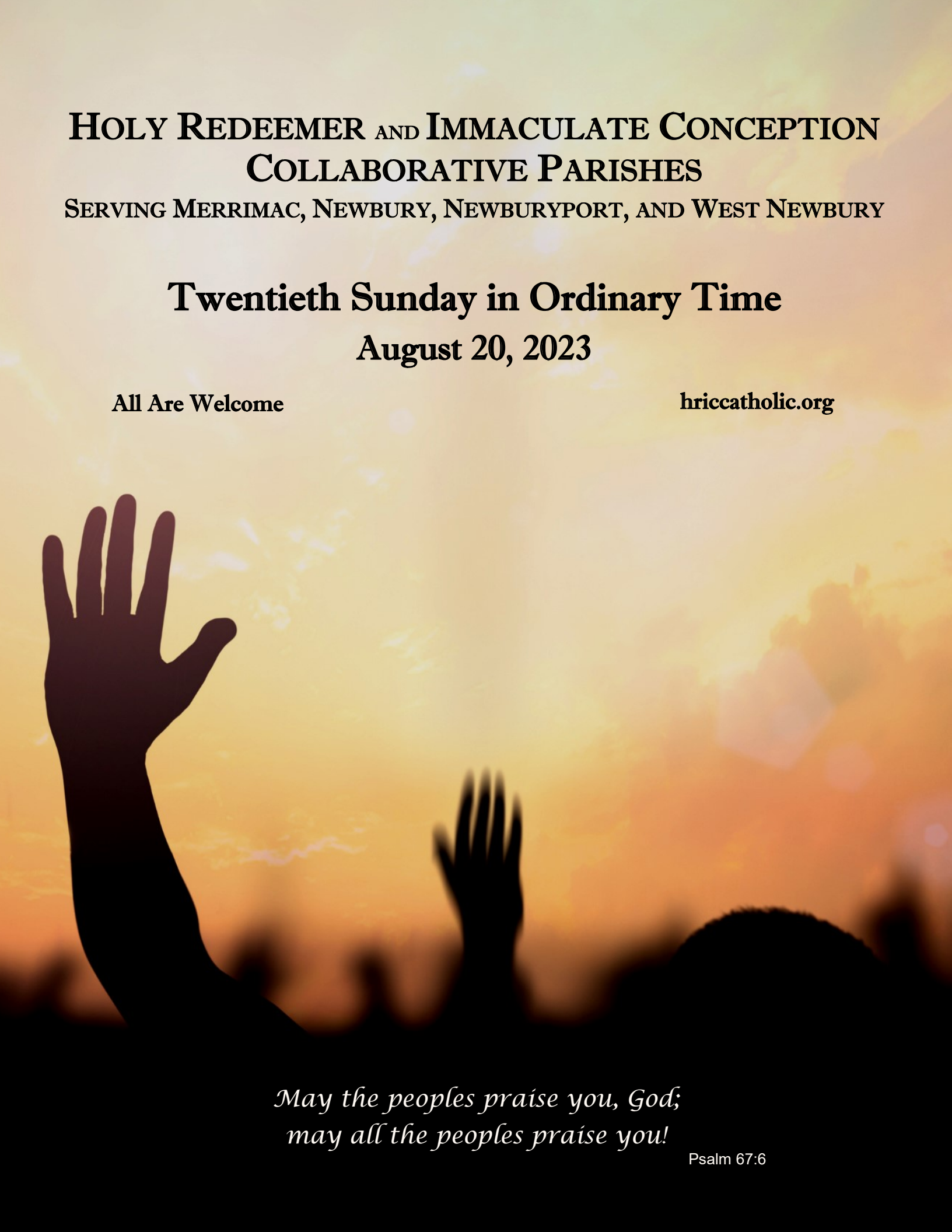
HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 20, 2023

All Are Welcome

hricatholic.org



*May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you!*

Psalms 67:6



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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Phone: 978-346-8604

Email: info@hriccatholic.org

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Office Hours: By appointment

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Immaculate Conception

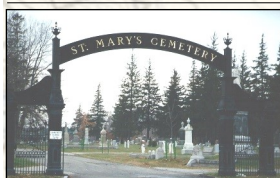
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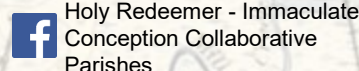
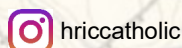
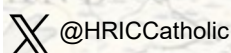
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (8/19)

4:00pm **IC Donald Hartman** (Fr. McLaughlin)

4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)

Sunday (8/20)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. McLaughlin)

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

10:00am **St. Ann Jerry Mullen** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

11:00am **IC Wadad Azzi, Linda O'Keefe** (Fr. Richard & Deacon Moranski)

Monday (8/21)

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

Tuesday (8/22)

9:00am **IC Adrienne Mosher, Josephine Caliento** (Fr. Stanley)

Wednesday (8/23)

9:00am **IC Alton Tobey & Lena Maccarone Krager** (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (8/24)

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

Friday (8/25)

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

Saturday (8/26)

4:00pm **IC Alexander Hasapis** (Fr. Stanley)

4:00pm **St. Ann Frederick Faulkner** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

Sunday (8/27)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

9:00am **IC Dennis J. Weldon, Deceased members of Bruno & Gautreau families** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)

11:00am **IC Ralph Filomia, John Scorzoni** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

In your prayers please remember all of 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 live-streamed online through our website: hriccatholic.org and on Facebook: (Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes).

AED Kits for the Collaborative

Earlier this year, we installed 8 AED (Automated External Defibrillator) kits in our worship spaces and parish halls. To date, we have received many donations that have covered the cost of **all but 2** of the AEDs that were purchased.

We continue to accept donations to cover the cost of the remaining 2 AEDs. The total cost per AED installed is \$2,192. Please contact Dennis LaMalfa for more information: 978-462-2724 x451, dlamalfa@hriccatholic.org

Questions of the Week

Adult: If you could, what would you "*demand*" of Christ today?

Child: What is the one thing you most want Jesus to do for you?

Collaborative Faith Formation

It's time to sign up for
Faith Formation
classes



Registration now open for the 2023-2024 school year.

Forms available on our website (hriccatholic.org) under the Faith Formation tab.

School Year Programs (K-10, Including Sacramental Prep.)

Faith Formation schedules and registration forms for the 2023-24 school year are now available on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

New: Online Payment Option

Online payment via our online giving site is now available in addition to the traditional payment-by-check option. Visit our website for more details and how to take advantage of online Faith Formation payments: www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

Baptism

We celebrate this sacrament the second Sunday of each month at IC Church. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information.

Bulletin Information

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

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program

Next delivery is Wednesday, August 23



The HRIC Collaborative Soup & Sandwich Program (formerly the HR Sandwich Program) is asking for volunteers to help make sandwiches for the Lazarus House Ministry.

We deliver on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Thank you to all who have been donating since we started up again. We are delivering over 150 sandwiches every date, and are now bringing 5 gallons of soup.

Sandwiches need to be **individually wrapped or bagged** and returned to the bread wrappers. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches are requested at this time, also cold cuts and/or cheese sandwiches. Please, no condiments. **Large** containers of coffee, Adobo, and minced garlic are also welcome. They are also looking for fresh vegetables (not potatoes). Drop off is at St. Ann Church, West Newbury, from **7:00-9:00 a.m.** on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. (Door on the larger parking lot side of the church).

Questions? Contact hricsandwichprogram@gmail.com.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, August 21

RCIA Team Formation Mtg. 9:45am, IC Charity Dining Room
AA Mtg. 10:30am, IC St. Louis Hall
Women at the Well Mtg. 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room
Scout Troop 41 Mtg. 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Tuesday, August 22

Women's AA Mtg. 7:00am, St. Ann Hall
Breaking Bread Meal 4:45pm, IC St. Louis Hall
IC St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 6:15pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Wednesday, August 23

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program 7:00–9:00am, St. Ann Hall
Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Thursday, August 24

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, August 25

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church
AA Mtg. 7:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Saturday, August 26

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Pilgrimage Opportunities

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: April 8–16, 2024

Join Christine and Paul Blanchette, IC parishioners, on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje, with optional post tour to Dubrovnik.

\$2,599 (double occupancy) from Boston (add \$649/person for Dubrovnik)

Inclusions:

- Round-trip airfare
- 7 nights accommodation
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Transfers, transportation
- Wireless headsets
- Assistance from professional local Catholic guide(s)
- Visit to Community Cenacolo
- Sightseeing and admissions fees
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)

Visit www.206tours.com/blanchette/medjugorje/, scan the QR code, or contact us: Alexandra@206tours.com or cat@206tours.com



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.



Collaborative Baptisms

We rejoice with the families of our new brothers and sisters who received the Sacrament of Baptism in the month of **July**:

Caden Augustine Gallagher

Lydia Rae Maloney

Brodie Twomey Price

Eucharistic Jesus: Adoration

Jesus, LORD of all that exists, awaits in a Monstrance for your visit. Allow His radical humility—in becoming Bread—to challenge your piety. One hour at Adoration will reap a harvest of thanksgiving.

Join us for Adoration.

Place: IC Church

Enter through the Green Street door only.

Times: Thurs. 7–8 p.m.
and

Fri. 9:30–12 noon

Note: If a Friday funeral is scheduled, or in the absence of a president, IC Church will remain open for “Sacred Silence” only. Check the HRIC calendar online for updated information.



Pilgrimage to Fatima and Flavors of Portugal Duoro River Cruise: October 25–November 7, 2024

Join Fr. Tim on a pilgrimage to Fatima and Flavors of Portugal Duoro River Cruise

\$8,174 (double occupancy) from Boston in Cabin D (Cabin upgrades available at an extra cost)

Inclusions:

- Round-trip airfare from Boston (BOS)
- Airport taxes and Surcharges
- 11 nights accommodation (combination ship and hotels)
- Transfers
- Breakfast and dinner daily, lunches when on cruise
- Transportation
- Tour escort
- Assistance from professional local Catholic guide(s)
- Sightseeing and admissions fees
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Whispers headsets
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)

Visit www.206tours.com/blanchette/fatima/, scan the QR code, or contact us: alexandra@206tours.com or cat@206tours.com



A Word of Thanks from the Food Pantry

Thank you so much for your **ongoing** generous donations of food and personal care items! Your continuing contributions are helping many families in need. We monitor the bins and distribute the much needed items to the food pantries serving the local communities within our collaborative.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Prayers for the Sick

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

Patricia Baikewicz	Charmaine Haan	Robert Rose
Carole Bradley	Hillar Haan	Maureen Russell
Priscilla Brown	Jay Hanslig	Rob Schweizer
Vasfije Buhali	Terence Healey	Frank Siderio
Autumn Rose	Linda Hofferty	Yvonne Sloban
Coulombe	Sam Kitchen	Gary Smith
Bill Crounse	Arthur LaPointe	Arlene Stoddard
Drew Daubach	Carol O'Neal	Tom Tribble
Kristen	Rev. Mario Orrigo	Michael Tucker
D'Entremont	Eleanora Paciulan	Helen Vaillancourt
Ann-Margaret	Joseph Palumbo	Maddie Villers
Ferrante	Lee Preble	Laurent Vincent
Jeanine Ebacher	Donika Pulake	
Fowler	Douglas Rose	

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

An Evening of Formation and Reflection

For All Liturgical Ministers

Wednesday, September 27, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Location: Immaculate Conception Church, Newburyport

Presenter: Fr. George Morin, Our Beloved Retiree

All Eucharistic ministers, lectors, greeters, servers, ministers of Communion to the sick and homebound and those in the hospital and in nursing homes, and anyone else interested in these ministries in both of our parishes are invited to this wonderful event. Current ministers are strongly encouraged to attend as part of your ongoing training for these ministries.

Join us for an evening of reflection and formation to help all understand better the liturgical ministries to which they have been called. It will *not* be a training session as you have already been trained. Instead, it will be an evening where you will learn about the importance of your ministry and the theology behind its significance. The tone of the evening will be prayerful and reflective (with no quiz at the end!).

IC Church Tours

The FREE 3-Part Series

Celebrate IC's 175th Anniversary at this community-building series in the historical building where it all began.

More than spaces, sacraments, and saint faces, each one-hour tour will reveal in plain view our immigrant forebears' faith. Come to marvel at salvation history imbued in visionary artisans' intentional motifs (in tempura, wood, wool, tin, glass, and marble) to guide us deeper into spiritually-aware worship!

Place: IC Church interior

Dates: September 11 (part 1), 18 (part 2), and 25 (part 3)

Times: 9:30–10:30 a.m., 1:00–2:00 p.m., and 7:00–8:00 p.m. each date.

IC 175TH ANNIVERSARY

IC Parish: 175th Anniversary

Immaculate Conception Parish celebrates 175 years

In celebration of this milestone of faith and service to the greater Newburyport community, the parish is planning a series of events throughout the year.

A committee has formed to create, plan, and execute these yearlong events, focused on celebrating the history of our parish and our patroness. If you would like to be part of the planning, join our next meeting. All are welcome.

175th Anniversary Harvest Fair

We are planning to hold a Harvest Fair on Saturday, October 21. The fair will include a bake sale, artisan/craft tables, a wall of wine, Grandma's Attic table, raffles and door prizes, all-holiday table, 175th anniversary commemorative items, and much more.

Harvest Fair Items Needed

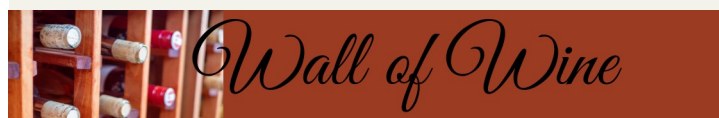
**All-Holiday Items Raffle Prizes Grandma's Attic Items
Wall of Wine Prizes**

How Can You Help? Do you have any "once loved" holiday items from **any holiday** that you no longer use or display at home that could be donated to our **All-Holiday Table** especially Halloween, Thanksgiving, or Christmas?

Do you have a "gently used" item for the **Grandma's Attic Table**?

Perhaps you could donate a gift card to a local restaurant, tickets to a sporting or musical event, or a weekend at a summer cottage or ski resort for our **Raffle Prizes**?

Please consider helping us make the Harvest Fair a success by dropping off your donation of items for the Holiday or Grandma's Attic tables in the baskets provided at the entry of St. Louis Hall. However, if you have a gift card or voucher for the raffle, please give it to Melinda in the Parish Office. If you have any questions, email Hbees@comcast.net.



The IC Harvest Fair committee introduces the. **"Wall of Wine"** booth at the IC Harvest Fair on **Saturday, October 21**. The "Wall of Wine" will be filled with bottles of wine valued from \$15–\$75 or more! Each bottle will be in a foil sack and numbered. (Red foil for Red/Rose wines, silver foil for white wines)

For only \$10.00 you can try your luck and choose any bottle. The bottle will always be valued at \$15 or more and the bottle may be a premium wine valued at \$30+. You must be 21+ to participate.

Want to help make this booth a success? Please purchase one or more bottles of wine valued at \$15.00 or more and donate them to the Wall of Wine. We will be collecting all wine donations at weekend Masses in October, prior to the Fair. Call Kathie 978-992-6450 for more information or to have your wine donations picked up.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Aug. 12–13	\$4,446.00
IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Aug. 11	\$2,512.00
IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$3,262.59
Total Weekly Offertory	\$10,220.59

Monthly, Aug 12–13 \$1,157.00
 The second collection this weekend (Aug. 20) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. The second collection next weekend (Aug. 27) is Maui Relief (Please note "Maui Relief" in the memo section of checks.). Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to Immaculate Conception Parish with the second collection noted in the memo.

If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to **Immaculate Conception Parish, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.**

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

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.svdnewburyport.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.

Breaking Bread Meal Dining-in Now Available

We serve our weekly Breaking Bread meal on Tuesday evenings. It is a hot, nourishing, 3-course dinner. Supper is served from 4:45–5:30. Those who prefer to continue "Grab & Go" can pick up at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome!



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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes

IC Online Giving

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

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

Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hricatholic.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 Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724 x 402.

Immaculate Conception School

October 2, 2023

IC 5TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

RENAISSANCE GOLF CLUB
377 KENOZA STREET, HAVERHILL, MA

Don't Golf?
Join us for a BBQ dinner!
All families are invited to join us for a fun evening with the purchase of a Dinner-Only-Ticket





All proceeds will benefit the Immaculate Conception School Newburyport, MA

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 Monday, **August 28** in the IC Parish Center, Room 209 from 7:30–9:00 p.m. Contact Mel Yell, 978-764-2547 or Heidi Damiano, 978-360-7525 with questions.

175th Anniversary Prayer

Immaculate Conception Church 1848-2023

Gracious and loving Father, on this 175th anniversary of our Parish, we celebrate our past and rejoice in our present.

We praise You for all the joy we have shared in these years of faith and fellowship. We pray for all who together make up this community of Your people.

Through the guidance and intercession of our Patroness, may we be ever mindful of the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the strength of the Holy Spirit who renews all things.

May our Parish continue to grow as a home for all who seek Your love and mercy. Mary, Queen of Peace, conceived without original sin, pray for us. Amen

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Aug. 12-13	\$1,401.00
HR Mailed-In Offertory, Week Ending Aug. 11	\$1,052.00
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$ 311.25
Total Weekly Offertory	\$2,764.25

Monthly, Aug 12-13 \$1,668.00

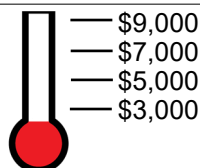
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If you would like to mail in your collections, send them to **Holy Redeemer Parish, 4 Green Street, Merrimac, MA 01860.**

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

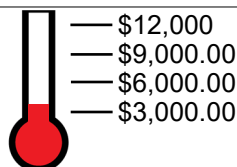
St. Ann Church Painting Project

Goal \$9,000.00
To Date \$668.00



Nativity Hall Air Conditioning

Goal \$12,000.00
To Date \$3,535.00



Holy Redeemer Projects

Painting the Interior of St. Ann Church

We are raising funds to give the interior of St. Ann Church a new coat of paint. This spring, a group of parishioners formed a small committee to pick out new colors. We need approximately \$9,000 to complete the project. Special envelopes have been included in the monthly packets for those who receive them, or blank ones are available at the back of the church. Please watch the bulletin to track our progress. Once the money has been raised, we will schedule the painting to be done. Many thanks for your support and generosity in helping to complete this work!

Air Conditioning for Nativity Hall

We are beginning to raise funds necessary to add air conditioning to Nativity Hall. Like the church, we intend to install the heat pump "splits" that have enabled us to enjoy a more comfortable environment for worship this summer. Taking advantage of current rebates available, we hope to see this work done for about \$12,000. In addition to helping with a number of parish meetings that have resumed, this project will also be helpful with the occasional meal following funerals and other events. Special envelopes for this have been included in the monthly packets for those who receive them and blank envelopes are available in the church as well. Once we have raised these funds, we will proceed with the project. Many thanks for your generosity and support!

HR St. Vincent de Paul



As we enter the dog days of summer, please remember that back to school needs will be upon our community very soon. We are routinely helping families with children in school and any gift cards (Walmart, etc.) and cash

donations would be very much appreciated.

Please continue to use the envelopes provided in the church pews, place your donations in the poor boxes, or mail donations to 4 Green St. Merrimac, MA 01860. Your donations are very much appreciated.

If you know of someone who needs assistance, please have them call our hotline at 978-346-8604 X4.

Activities Committee Updates

Next Meetings: September 6 & 27

The Activities Committee will be meeting Wednesday, September 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Merrimac hall. We will be gathering to place the final preparations for our ham and bean supper on Saturday, September 23. Please join us.

We will also meet on Wednesday, September 27, at 6:30 p.m. in the Merrimac hall to get our Holiday Fair underway. The fair is Saturday, November 18. Many, many hands are needed and we welcome your help!

Coffee and Conversation, September 17

Please join us after the 8:30 Mass on September 17 for coffee and conversation. We would all love to hear what you did on your summer vacation!

Ham & Bean Supper, September 23

We are planning a **ham and bean supper** followed by BINGO on Saturday, September 23 after the 4:00 Mass at Nativity. We will be serving sliced ham, baked beans, cole slaw, rolls, and homemade apple crisp for \$10 per person, 12 and younger: \$5. After dinner, BINGO cards will be available for \$1 each for cash prizes.

Holiday Fair, November 18

Join us in planning this wonderful event.

Bake sale table: planning ahead! Our bake table could use some homemade zucchini breads. We understand they freeze well. Bake now to avoid the rush!

Lawn signs: Anyone who has an advertising lawn sign from last year, please return to the back of either church so we can change the date and get it cleaned up and ready to use for this year's fair.

Holiday Fair baskets We are collecting baskets for the November fair. Please consider donating your empty wicker baskets by leaving them in the back of either church. Also, we are looking for donations of 1 1/2"-2" wired Christmas ribbon, clear jumbo plastic bags for the baskets, and heavy-duty paper for wrapping and stuffing the baskets. Donations can be left in the back of either church.

HR NEWS

Communion to the Homebound

We would like to offer our Holy Redeemer parishioners the opportunity to receive the Eucharist if you are homebound or unable to attend Mass on a regular basis. If any parishioner knows of someone who might be interested in receiving the Eucharist, please also let us know. This could be a one-time occasion, or a regular schedule could be arranged. Please call Melinda Burrell at 978-346-8604 to schedule a visit.

Shawls and Lapghans



Shawls and lapghans are given freely as a gift, to offer comfort and joy! We would be happy to deliver to anyone. Or if you personally would like to give one to a friend, relative or neighbor, please contact Helen at 978-771-4673.

Come join us. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall in Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. Don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you! All are welcome.

Our next meeting is Thursday, September 7 at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 2:00 p.m.



Last week, Nativity Church was host to an open rehearsal for the Newburyport Chamber Music Festival.



What beautiful sounds in our beautiful church!

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, hrccatholic.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 Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724 x 402.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

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

The Pelican Intervention Fund



We provide funding for non-profit, 12-step residential sober homes for economically challenged people struggling with addiction. 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

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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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