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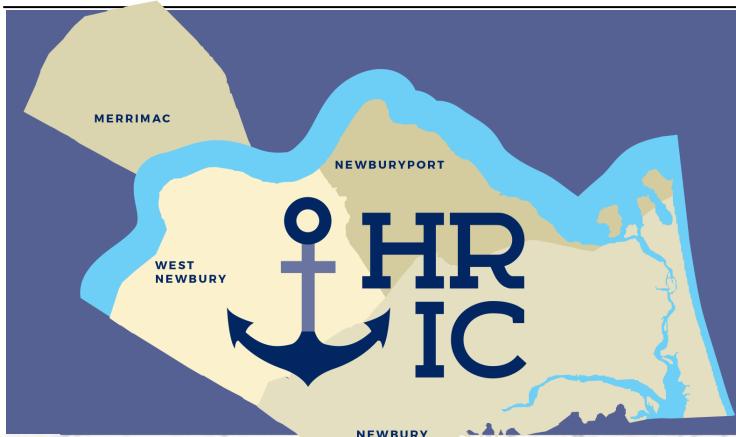
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 26, 2025

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All Are Welcome

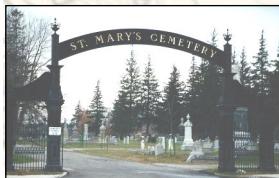


*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.*
(Lk 4:18-19)



St. Ann

Church: 300 Main St., W. Newbury 01985
 Rectory: 46 Maple St., W. Newbury 01985
Phone: 978-346-8604
 Email: info@hriccatholic.org



St. Mary's Cemetery

36 Storey Avenue,
 Newburyport 01950

Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

Nativity

Parish offices and church:
 4 Green St., Merrimac 01860
 Office Hours: By appointment
Phone: 978-346-8604
 Email: info@hriccatholic.org

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Parish, church, rectory, and offices:
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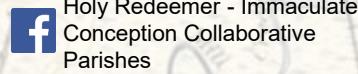
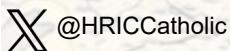
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Paula Quann, IC Youth Choir

609-519-3236

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00–3:30 p.m., IC Church
 Or by appointment. (Call Collaborative
 offices to schedule.)



COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (1/25)

4:00pm IC *For the intentions of Robert and Marilyn Morgan* (Fr. Harrison)
 4:00pm **Nativity CANCELLED**

Sunday (1/26)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison)
 9:00am **IC CANCELLED**
 10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)
 11:30am IC *For the intentions of Peter D'Ambrosio* (Fr. Harrison)

Monday (1/27)

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

Tuesday (1/28)

9:00am **IC Lena Maccarone Krager** (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (1/29)

9:00am **IC CANCELLED**

Thursday (1/30)

9:00am **IC CANCELLED**

Friday (1/31)

9:00am **IC For the needs of families** (Fr. Harrison)

Saturday (2/1)

4:00pm **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin)
 4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (2/2)

8:30am **Nativity** (TBA)
 9:00am **IC** (TBA)
 10:00am **St. Ann Jerry Mullen** (TBA)
 11:30am **IC Rosemary Anderson, Gerald & Jane Volpone** (TBA)

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 as well as our Facebook page.

You are welcome to gather at 9:00 at IC Church when no daily Mass is scheduled for a time of prayer, the Rosary, and/or Adoration.

Holy Communion will not be distributed.

Please see page 6 of this bulletin for daily Mass times at surrounding churches.

IC Haiti

If you would like to contribute to IC Haiti, please mail checks to IC Haiti, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA. 01950. Checks should be made out to "IC Haiti."

For those of you who are unfamiliar with our ministry to the Father Marc Piché school community in south-central Haiti, there is an eight-part historical overview at our website: ichaiti.org.

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Perhaps one of St. Paul's greatest contributions to our understanding of who we are as followers of Jesus Christ is his imagery of the Church as members of One Body, with many parts. "As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ." (I Cor 12:12) Just as each part has its own unique role to play, so each one of us as a member of Christ's One Body, have our own special part to play in building up the Kingdom of God. One of the best examples of how this plays out in our lives is when we come together to celebrate the Eucharist each week.



Mass is like a great orchestra coming together to perform a magnificent symphony to the greater glory of God. When we think about it, each of us who participate, do so in a wide variety of ways: Some of us come to lead the singing. Some to proclaim the Sacred Scriptures. Some show up to lead the petitions, some to quietly add their own needs and the needs of others. Some lead the formal prayers and organize the celebration. Some help take up the collection for the needs of the community. Some play instruments of praise. Some preach. Some greet and welcome. Some help distribute Holy Communion. Some set up beforehand. Some help clean up afterwards. Some are Altar Servers. Some speak on behalf of local needs or upcoming events. Some direct the choir. Others simply come to offer their hearts before God. All come to have their sins forgiven and share in Holy Communion.

When done well and when all play their proper roles, something beautiful unfolds. God is praised, hearts are rendered, and lives are changed. Because in the midst of all of this activity and service is the One who calls us to new life and has promised to be with us until the end of time. From Mass, we are sent to bring God's love to others. Again, each in our own unique way and using our own specific gifts and talents, we bring the joy of Christ to the downtrodden, to those who despair, to the sick, to the hungry, to the lonely, to those who need hope, to those who suffer the ravages of injustice and neglect. Through our efforts to organize and plan, we bring the love and peace of Christ to the many.

So, today, in light of St. Paul's famous teaching, what role are you called to play as a member of the One Body of Christ and how does that responsibility connect others to the Lord?

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

Questions of the Week

Adult: Has there been a moment in your life when you knew that Jesus was present? How did you know?



Child: Have you ever felt that Jesus was truly with you?

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: hricCatholic.org.
Catholic Schools Week

Monday, January 27

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

Tuesday, January 28

Women's AA Mtg. 7:00am, St. Ann Hall

Faith Formation, Grade 2 3:30pm, IC Nazareth Library

Breaking Bread Meal 4:45pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Women at the Well Mtg. 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

IC Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Wednesday, January 29

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

IC Youth Choir Rehearsal 4:30pm, IC Church

Thursday, January 30

New Lector Training 5:00pm, IC Church

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, January 31

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

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

Saturday, February 1

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, February 2

KofC Hospitality Sunday 10:00am, IC St. Louis Hall

Coffee Social 11:00am, St. Ann Hall

First Communion Church Tour 12:45am, IC Church

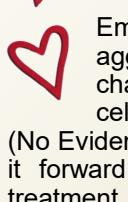
Baptism Prep. 1:00pm, IC Charity Dining Room

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

Emmy's Valentines at MGH



Please help Emmy and her Nana, Melissa, make Valentine's Day a bit brighter for children diagnosed with cancer at Mass General Hospital for Children.



Emmy was diagnosed 4 years ago with a rare aggressive brain cancer. She was given a 4% chance to live but we are happy to say she celebrated her 5th birthday and has remained NED (No Evidence of Disease) for 4 years. Now she wants to pay it forward by donating stuffed animals to those still in treatment.

We ask that stuffed animal donations are:

- Brand new, tags on if possible (they are being delivered to a hospital)
- **Not** Valentine themed
- 6-12 inches tall
- Lovable and squishy



Donations can be dropped off in the foyer of the IC Pastoral Center. There will be a plastic bin with a photo of Emmy and last year's donations. Please feel free to take home a photo.

Thank You, Thank You.

One of the many surprises of old age is the many spaces in your knowledge that remain to be filled up. For example, by way of saying good-bye in December the parishes threw two magnificent parties—each with great bunches of faith-filled people eating wonderful food. Wow, does that sound Eucharistic! Anyway, lots of people expressed their gratitude. (Oops! There's the Eucharistic theme again!) With the thought "Thank you for everything you've done."

Now I'm not normally overly modest, but honestly, I'm also aware I'm no clerical high-flyer. But that gracious statement has solved a mystery I've lived with for decades and it took the members of the Holy Redeemer/Immaculate Conception Collaborative and Charles Dickens to save it.

A literary insight: Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* is a sermon. Come to that, almost all the fiction he wrote (and I've got a shelf full of his novels to prove it) was a sermon, pointing out to smug Victorians how they were missing the point.

Quick example: early on, during Jacob Marley's ghostly visit to Ebenezer, he kicks him right in the middle of his rather insensitive conscience: "Not to know that any Christian spirit working kindly in its little sphere. . . will find its mortal life too short for its vast means of usefulness."

There's a lot more on the same vein, but they will give you the idea of the thing. It was puzzling to me when I was in the eighth grade, and not wonderfully clever until now when I'm in the eighth decade. Except that whatever I've been doing has been helpful to lots of people. Knowing that is probably as fine a Christmas present as you can receive—almost like getting to hear your eulogy ahead of time. And, in all seriousness, I am thrilled to have that mystery solved.

Again, thank you all.

Fr. Bill



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	Renee Fowler	Joseph Palumbo
John Bourque	Ed Hardy	Joanne Pesa
Kathy P. Brodeur	Jane Harney	Elizabeth Pettingell
Michael Brenner	Chloe Hequet	Donika Pulake
Priscilla Brown	Emma Hurley	Rose Raimo
Vasfije Buhali	Armand Hyatt	Rob Schweizer
Autumn Rose Coulombe	Michael Juralewicz	Yvonne Sloban
Bill Crounse	Arthur LaPointe	Gary Smith
Drew Daubach	Michael Lichtenstein	Arlene Stoddard
Kristen D'Entremont	Johannah Lord	Taylor
Deb Downie	Monica Maguire	Captain Bill Taplin
Dotty Duval	Sia Mahalati	Tom Tribble
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	Ovidio Martinez	Michael Tucker
John Flynn	Patricia Carey	Maddie Villers
Jeanine Ebacher	McCarthy	Laurent Vincent
Fowler	Carol O'Neal	Sandra Welch
	Eleanora Paciulan	

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

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.

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. Don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you! You are welcome to join us.

We will be taking a "winter break" from our meetings until May, but will continue to deliver shawls and lapghans to those who need them during our break. When we start again, we meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall in Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. **Our next meeting is Thursday, May 2.**

Collaborative Calendar

Did you know we have an online Collaborative calendar? It lists Mass times and all Collaborative events and activities. Access it through the calendar tab on our website: hricatholic.org, or you can scan the QR code.



Winter Weather Mass Cancellations

Due to the hazards of travel and the safety of priests and parishioners alike, this winter, daily Mass will be cancelled if Newburyport Public schools are cancelled because of inclement weather. Any Faith Formation classes will also be cancelled on such days. WBZ Channel 4 will have the updated school cancellation information. It is also available on their website at boston.cbslocal.com.

In severe situations, it may also be necessary for safety reasons to cancel weekend Masses. Watch WBZ or consult their website for cancellation information. We will also post cancellation information on our website and social media.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. In all things, God gave us the gifts of wisdom, reason, and prudence. Let's use them wisely this winter and exercise sound judgment when considering going out in severe weather.

HRIC Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council in our Collaborative assists the Pastor in his responsibilities as the leader of the Collaborative. They serve in a consultative role and there are members from both of our parishes. Please feel free to contact them with any questions.

Pastoral Council Members 2024–25

Fr. Tim Harrison (Chair)

IC

Alan McEmber, Co-Chair IC
Amanda Barcus
Mike Corbett
Joseph Cox
Thomas Grella
David Olds
Patty Olds
Nancy Rose
Tom Welch

HR

Greg Jablonski, Co-Chair HR
Bob Belmont
Veronica Laite
Colleen Mulholland
Kathy Peavey

Ex-Officio

Deacon Paul Dow
Deacon John Moranski
Aaron Giard

Medjugorje Pilgrimage Meetings

We are excited to invite you to **two** upcoming meetings. These gatherings will provide an opportunity for fellowship, reflection, and preparation for our Medjugorje pilgrimage.

There are currently 5–8 openings available for this wonderful journey. Invite a friend to join us February 12 or March 12, meet the registered group, and learn more about what we can expect as we travel.

Meeting Dates:

- Wednesday, February 12
- Wednesday, March 12

Schedule:

- 6:00 p.m.: Mass in the St. James Chapel
- Dinner to follow in the Charity Dining Room

We kindly ask that you RSVP to confirm your attendance. Please contact Christine to RSVP: call or text: 978-968-4140.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Daily Masses in the Area

Monday

6:45am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 7:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 8:00am St. Luke, Newton, NH
 9:00am St. John the Baptist, Haverhill
 9:00am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 9:00am St. Joseph, Amesbury
 9:00am St. Lucy, Methuen
 9:15am St. Anne, Hampstead, NH
 12:10pm All Saints, Haverhill

Tuesday

6:45am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 7:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 8:00am St. Mary, Rowley
 8:00am St. Luke, Plaistow, NH
 9:00am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 9:00am St. James, Haverhill
 9:00am Star of the Sea, Salisbury
 9:00am St. Lucy, Methuen
 9:00am St. Patrick, Groveland
 9:15am St. Anne, Hampstead, NH
 12:10pm All Saints, Haverhill

Wednesday

6:45am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 7:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 9:00am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 9:00am St. John the Baptist, Haverhill
 9:00am St. Joseph, Amesbury
 9:00am St. Mary, Georgetown (Adoration following Mass)
 9:00am St. Lucy Methuen
 9:15am St. Anne, Hampstead, NH
 12:10pm All Saints, Haverhill
 6:30pm, St. Luke, Plaistow, NH

Thursday

6:45am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 7:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 8:00am St. Mary, Rowley
 8:00am St. Luke, Newton, NH
 9:00am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 9:00am St. James, Haverhill
 9:00am St. Lucy, Methuen
 9:00am St. Patrick, Groveland
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 12:10pm All Saints, Haverhill

Friday

6:45am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 7:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 9:00am Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Hampton, NH
 9:00am St. John the Baptist, Haverhill
 9:00am St. Mary, Georgetown
 9:00am St. Lucy, Methuen
 12:10pm All Saints, Haverhill

Saturday

8:00am Sacred Hearts, Bradford
 9:00am All Saints, Haverhill
 9:00am St. James, Haverhill
 9:00am (First Saturday of the month) St. Mary, Georgetown
 9:00am St. Monica, Methuen

Bulletin Information

Email all bulletin submissions by Monday at noon to hricbulletin@gmail.com.
 View our weekly bulletin online on our website: [hricCatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org).

Collaborative Faith Formation

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

Faith Formation schedules and registration forms for the 2024-25 school year are available on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation. Please be sure to check out the new information for Confirmation prep.

Baptism

Please note that in January and February 2025 the schedule for celebrating the sacrament of Baptism will have changed. No Baptisms will take place during the 11:30am Mass. Please contact the Collaborative office (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) to review what Baptism dates are available in 2025 prior to the Lenten season.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation moved from grade 10 to grade 8. As a result, our Faith Formation and Sacramental preparation process have changed. Help us to spread the word to families of middle schoolers who may not be aware.

Adoration: Make It a Weekly Ritual



Routines subdue chaos. Weekly morning rituals like Friday Adoration define the attitudes you'll take into daily tasks. Weekly evening rituals like Thursday Adoration, wash away the dross and dial in weekend duties performed as intentional, prayerful encounters with Christ. Adoration is the interior access door! Leave the chaos outside.

Wednesdays 3:00–4:00 p.m. Nativity Church

Thursdays 7:00–8:00 p.m., IC Church
(enter at Green Street door only)

Fridays 9:30 a.m., IC Church (unless a funeral is scheduled)

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Online Giving

Both HR and IC offer Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring (weekly or monthly) donation. Getting started is easy—you need to be a registered member of one of our parish communities. Parish registration forms are available on the website or contact the Collaborative offices.

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 on “HR Parish Online Giving” or “IC Parish Online Giving” to get to the appropriate site.

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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Jan. 18–19	\$4,674.00
IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Jan 17	\$ 155.00
IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$3,689.09
Total Weekly Offertory, Jan. 18–19	\$8,518.09

The second collection this weekend (Jan. 26) supports various pastoral projects throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. The Collection for the Church in Latin America funds the work of evangelization, formation of laity, religious and seminarians, as well as youth ministry and catechesis. Please visit usccb.org/committees/church-latin-america for more information.

The second collection next weekend (Feb. 2) is Ongoing Church Maintenance. 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: hriccatholic.org/IC-Online-Giving.

**IC Grand Annual
Goal \$100,000
To Date \$96,416.00**



Knights Hospitality Sunday

Join us **Sunday, February 2, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass**, in IC St. Louis Hall for Hospitality Sunday sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. We will have free coffee and donuts for all.



Hospitality Sunday



All men of the Collaborative, 18 years or older, are welcome to join the Knights. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the IC Nazareth Library. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m.** in the IC Nazareth Library. For more information call 978-225-0804 or email kofc231@outlook.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drop Box



Immaculate Conception SVdP now offers a St. Vincent de Paul clothing drop box. We are accepting **clothing and shoes only** in the drop box.

The box is located behind the IC Parish Center, nearest Green Street.

Immaculate Conception School

Immaculate Conception School Newburyport
Celebrating Over 140 Years!



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- Advanced Math
- Community Service
- Leadership Programs
- Athletics
- Pelican Pre-K Program
- Art, Music, Theater
- Spanish Program Pre-K thru 8th Grade



Limited Openings Remain for 2024/25

Call (978) 465-7780 to schedule a tour today!

IC St. Vincent de Paul

If you know someone living in Newbury/Newburyport who needs assistance, please suggest that they call our **help line 978-518-0728**. We are ready to assist.

You can now make online donations on our website: www.svdpnewburyport.org or scan the QR code. 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

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!

Recruiting Altar Servers

for Weekend Liturgies

Any youth or adult 4th grade or older who feels the call to become an altar server should contact the IC parish office immediately.



New recruits will attend three 1-hour training sessions and, once trained, will work closely with our priests and deacons to prepare the altar for consecration of the Eucharist. This is a beautiful way to learn more about our faith and to participate more fully at Mass.

After the training is complete each server will be asked to serve at a Mass of their preference once a month. Scheduling is done based on availability and working within each family's schedule. We plan to hold the training sessions at the end of February.

If you are interested, please call (978-462-2724) or see Melinda in the office.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Jan. 18–19	\$1,892.82
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving	<u>\$397.50</u>
Total Weekly Offertory, Jan. 18–19	\$2,290.32

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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: hriccatholic.org/hr-online-giving.

**HR Grand Annual
Goal \$25,000
To Date \$26,500**



\$25,000
\$20,000
\$15,000
\$10,000
\$ 5,000



Coffee, Quiche and Conversation was plentiful! Watch for next month's date and make plans to join in the fun!

HR Activities Committee

Our committee is open to discuss any ideas you may bring to help create a community of support, fellowship and fun!

The next HR Activities Committee meeting will be Sunday, February 9 after the 10:00 Mass at St. Ann, W. Newbury. We will be discussing Fr. Charlie's 80th birthday.



Lost and Found at Fr George's birthday party at Nativity. They are in the hall, near the closest, waiting to be picked up!

Saturday Mass at St. Ann

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00pm Mass will move to **St. Ann, W. Newbury** for the month of **February**.

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Your kind donations in any form are always greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes at St. Ann and Nativity churches for your donations. These can be mailed or placed in the poor boxes at the churches. Reminder: Make sure to *make checks payable to HR St. Vincent de Paul.*

HR St. Vincent de Paul Raffle

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An appreciation dinner for all Holy Redeemer volunteers will be held on **Saturday, March 8 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass** at Nativity. It will be held in Nativity Hall. As the date gets closer, we will send out invitations and ask for an R.S.V.P. The dinner is sponsored by the Collaborative Ministry Committee.

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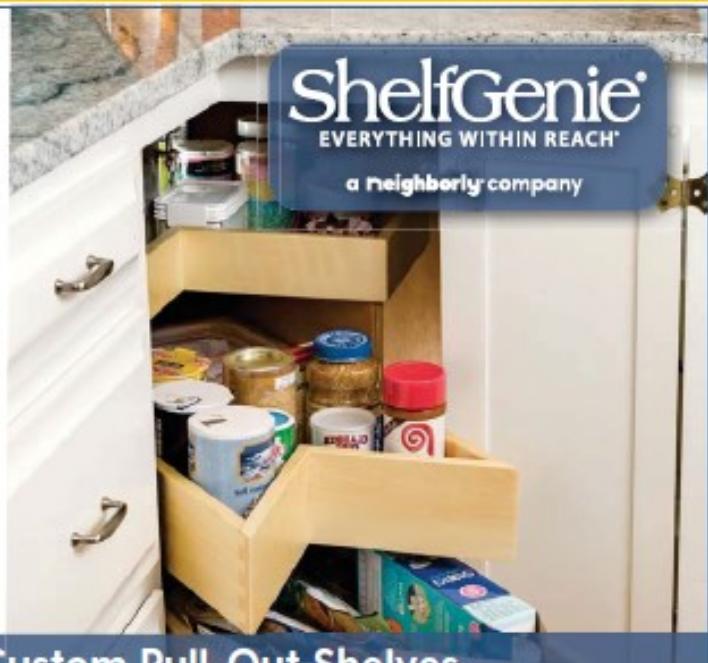
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