

HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

Love the Lord your God

with all your

Heart

&

hricatholic.org

All Are Welcome

with all your

Soul

&

with all your

Strength

Deuteronomy 6:5



Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

St. Ann

Church: 300 Main St., W. Newbury 01985

Rectory: 46 Maple St., W. Newbury 01985

Phone: 978-346-8604

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Parish, church, rectory, and offices:
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Office Hours: M-F 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

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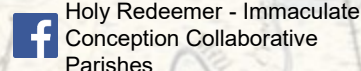
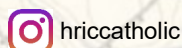
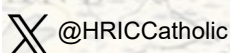
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Confessions

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



COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (11/2)

4:00pm **IC** Dave Kolman (Fr. Stanley)

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

Sunday (11/3)

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

9:00am **IC** Irene Palaima, Gilda LaBarba

(Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

10:00am **St. Ann** Jerry Mullen (Fr. Stanley)

11:30am **IC** Andrew Filomia, Earle Baughn, Paul Michael Doyle (Fr. McLaughlin)

Monday (11/4)

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

Tuesday (11/5)

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

Wednesday (11/6)

9:00am **IC** The Niles, Keefe, Swochak, and Macri families (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (11/7)

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

Friday (11/8)

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

Saturday (11/9)

4:00pm **IC** E. Gregory McDermott (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

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

Sunday (11/10)

8:30am **Nativity** For God's blessings of good health, prosperity, and increased faith for our Merrimac Veterans. (Fr. Stanley)

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

10:00am **St. Ann** For God's blessings of good health, prosperity, and increased faith for our West Newbury Veterans (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Dow)

11:30am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)

In your prayers please remember Stella Marquis, Jeannette Daggett, E. Gregory McDermott, Kathleen Hollowell, and 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: hricatholic.org as well as our Facebook page.

Bulletin Information

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

Ultreya

Our regional Ultreya will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 8, at IC St. James Chapel. We will share liturgy, a fourth day speaker, praise and worship music, and a time for sharing reflections.



Join our brothers and sisters from Amesbury, Haverhill and Newburyport in prayer for the women living their weekend. De Colores!

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This past week, a new Archbishop was installed in the Archdiocese of Boston, Archbishop Richard Henning. He succeeds Cardinal Seán O'Malley in his more than 20-year ministry as our local Catholic leader. Please take some time to pray for him as he begins his new work in our midst. We look forward



to welcoming him to the churches of our Collaborative in the months and years ahead as his schedule allows.

This coming week, as citizens of the United States, we will elect a new resident as well as many other local and national leaders. As I have said to you over many elections in the past, as your Pastor, I will never tell you who to vote for. But I do urge every parishioner who is a registered voter to take this duty of citizenship seriously and to exercise this important right of our constitutional republic. Admittedly, there are many complex issues and contested political races that we are being asked to weigh in on, and it can be confusing at times to try and discern what the right path is for our community and nation. The Catholic Bishops of the United States have produced a document that can help conscientious Catholics to consider the many concerns of how to balance living their faith and exercising responsible citizenship. A link for this document can be found here: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship-pdf>

At the end of the day, we must follow our well-formed conscience in making decisions, not only at the polls, but in all things in life. Forming our conscience is a lifelong process, and one that requires prayer, thoughtful conversation, patience, a deep knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures, a respect for time-honored Church teaching, and the willingness to listen to the many voices of reason that impact our lives. In the midst of all of these, the Holy Spirit will speak to us, guiding our hearts to make clear choices and considered decisions. It is not a matter of following one's feelings, but rather trusting that through our intentional prayer, God will guide and direct us to do the good and avoid that which will lead us astray. An active engagement in our society allows the Lord to work through all of us to bring about many blessings in our midst.

As Pope Francis recently shared, **"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."** So, study the issues, consider the candidates for office, ponder the needs of the many, give sufficient regard for the most vulnerable, long for peace, hunger and thirst for justice, pray... and then go and vote your conscience!

May the Lord bless our nation, our Archdiocese and all of our people and citizens in the days ahead!

Fr. Timothy Harrison

Pastor

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

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

Monday, November 4

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

Tuesday, November 5

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 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

IC Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, IC Church

Wednesday, November 6

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

IC Youth Choir Rehearsal 4:30pm, IC Church

Thursday, November 7

ICS PTO Mtg. 8:30am, IC St. Louis Hall

HRIC Prayer Shawl Mtg. 2:00pm, Nativity Hall

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, November 8

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

Ultreya Mtg. 6:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room/St. James Chapel

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

Saturday, November 9

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

Sunday, November 10

Coffee & Quiche Social 9:30am, Nativity Hall

IC Ministry Appreciation Luncheon 12:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

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

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

The Collaborative Ministry Committee would like to say thank you by sponsoring an appreciation luncheon for all who volunteer in any capacity on Sunday, **November 10 at 12:30 p.m.** It will either be held in St. Louis Hall in the IC Parish Center or in the IC School gym, depending on the number of reservations we receive.

Since many of the Holy Redeemer volunteers are involved in other activities that day, we will hold another luncheon in January for all HR volunteers.

Ministry leaders should have already sent out invitations and we ask that you respond to them if you are able to attend. Look for further information from your ministry leader and the bulletin for the date of the HR luncheon.

Friendsgiving Dance

Do you love to Dance?

Did you watch American Bandstand?

Did you ever do the Bristol Stomp, the Mashed Potato, the Twist or the Stroll?

Do you know your music trivia from the 50s and 60s? Then, dust off your dancing shoes and iron your poodle skirts and get ready to re-live the days of American Bandstand.



7:30 PM | NOVEMBER 23, 2024

IC SCHOOL GYM
INFORMAL ATTIRE

Tickets: \$25.

On sale after all IC Masses.

Sponsored by the Faith, Fun, & Fellowship Committee.

Enjoy some "Philly" snacks: hoagies, soft pretzels, TastyKakes, Birch Beer, and more while dancing to the tunes of returning band PartyOn!



Proceeds from the event will be used for future Collaborative-wide activities.

We're going hoppin', we're going hoppin' today
Where things are poppin' the Philadelphia way
We're gonna drop in on all the music they play
We're on Bandstand...Bandstand!
(Theme from American Bandstand)

New England Tenors



The Tenors are coming! Join us the Sunday after Thanksgiving for a matinee performance: **Sunday, December 1 at 2:00 p.m.** at IC church. Tickets are \$20 adult, \$12 children. Watch the bulletin for more details. Sponsored by IC St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Project Rachel

Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreat (Nov. 16)

Are you—or someone you know—seeking peace after an abortion?

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat on Saturday, November 16 (9 a. m. –5 p.m.). Location is confidential. For more information on retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

It's CORI Time

You can pick up a form in the back of any of the churches and have a priest or deacon verify it with your ID or stop by the IC parish offices and fill one out there. CORI forms are also available on our website so you can download one and fill it out ahead of time.

Remember that the Archdiocese of Boston requires all volunteers in the church, 18 years of age and older, to fill out a CORI form every year. We appreciate the cooperation of all those required to complete the CORI and we particularly thank you for keeping the pledge to protect those among us who are most vulnerable.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Second Collection for Hurricane Relief: November 3

Hurricane Relief Collection This Weekend

On September 26 Hurricane Helene, possessing 140 mph winds, made landfall in the Gulf Coast of Florida and caused enormous damage and loss of life in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

Less than two weeks following Helene, the region was impacted by Hurricane Milton, a storm that at one point was a Category 5 hurricane, with maximum winds of 180 mph. Milton made landfall in Sarasota, Florida as a Category 3 hurricane with winds of 120 mph.

Recognizing the immediate and growing needs for assistance, Cardinal Seán has asked that a special collection be taken in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston to support Church relief efforts being coordinated by Catholic Charities USA. CCUSA is the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States. 100% of funds raised are sent directly to Catholic Charities agencies in disaster-stricken communities to care for those impacted.

On behalf of the Cardinal, thank you for your attentiveness to these important collections and expressions of our solidarity with those who are suffering.

2024 Grand Annual Appeal

Our 2024 Grand Annual Appeal is off to a great start with many households making their gift. If you have not already done so, please place your completed "Grand Annual Pledge Card" in the regular collection at Mass. You may also return it to the parish by mail.

If you have not decided on your gift to the Grand Annual, we invite you to prayerfully consider making your gift this week. We truly appreciate any assistance you can give and are counting on the many, who are able, to support this appeal.

Thank you to the many families that have already returned their Grand Annual gift.

Adoration



Come spend some quiet time with Jesus at Adoration.

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)

Questions of the Week



Adult: What do you do for yourself? Do you spend as much time with God as you do with others?

Child: Jesus said we need to show love to God, our neighbors, and ourselves. How do you do that?

Prayers for the Sick

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

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

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

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, November 7 at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 2:00 p.m. You are welcome to join us!

Looking for Yarn Donations

We are always looking for **yarn donations**. Do you have some leftover yarn from an old project? Maybe a family member who no longer knits or crochets? We are asking for **only full skeins and no wool yarn** (we have some who are allergic to wool.). Contact Helen at 978-771-4673 and she will arrange to pick it up.



IC Haiti in Need of a Translator

IC Haiti's all-volunteer Board of Directors is looking to expand the Board with the addition of a volunteer who can read and write in Haitian Creole. Our goal is to have more direct communication with the administrators of the Fr. Marc Piché elementary school in Puit Chacha.

If you are interested in joining the IC Haiti Board of Directors as our communication liaison to the school, please contact HRIC Administrative Assistant Melinda Burrell by phone 978-462-2724, by email burrell@hriccatholic.org, or in person at the IC Parish Center at 42 Green Street in Newburyport. Melinda will put you in touch with IC Haiti's Board president Nancy Rose.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

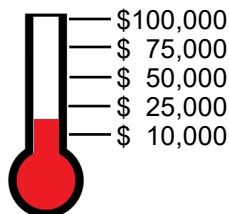
IC Offertory, Oct. 26–27	\$5,244.00
IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct. 25	\$3,155.00
IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$3,160.34
Total Weekly Offertory, Oct. 26–27	\$11,559.34
Ongoing Church Maintenance, Oct. 26–27	\$ 863.00

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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 \$21,575.00**



Remembering Those Who Have Died

November has traditionally been a month in the Church's liturgical calendar when we are called to pray for the dead and confront our own mortality. Over the years, parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish have embraced a beautiful custom of remembering loved ones who have passed through the creation of a small shrine for the dead. During the month of November until the beginning of Advent, parishioners are invited to place a small picture of their deceased loved one on the side altar near the baptismal font and ambry. Together as a community of faith, let's pray for those who have passed, that they may experience the fullness of the Heavenly Kingdom where we hope to one day join with them at the eternal banquet table.

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." Visit our website: ichaiti.org to learn more about this organization.



Congratulations to the winners of our Harvest Fair special raffles—the Taylor Swift basket, the signed, Celtics jersey and the dinner for six with Fr. Tim! Thanks for these donations and thanks also to all those people who donated gift baskets or items to be used in the making of our truly beautiful baskets for the raffle table.
The Harvest Fair Committee

Immaculate Conception School



The Immaculate Conception Cross Country Team celebrates a successful day on the course at the Catholic Elementary Schools Meet at Bishop Fenwick High School on Saturday, October 26. Runners in grades 5 and 6, Varsity Boys, and Varsity Girls had an impressive showing at this large meet that included a dozen RCAB schools. Congratulations to our team!

Knights Hospitality Sunday

Join us **Sunday, November 3, 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.

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**. 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.

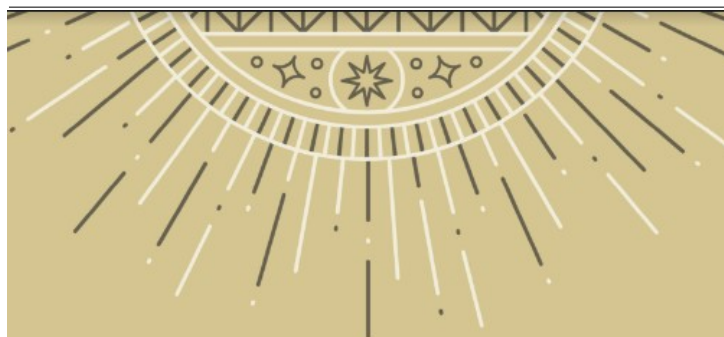
Breaking Bread Meal

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!

Free Hair Cuts

Donna Koen, an IC parishioner and licensed hairdresser for 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.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



2nd Annual Interfaith Choir Concert

November 17, 2:30pm

Annunciation Greek Church, 7 Harris St., Newburyport

All are invited to join us for the second annual Interfaith Choir Concert, hosted this year by Annunciation Greek Church. Come and hear the HRIC choir along with many other greater Newburyport congregations in the beautiful sanctuary of Annunciation Greek Church. Free to all.

Collaborative Faith Formation

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

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

Baptism

We celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism on the second Sunday of each month at IC Church at the 11:30 Mass. Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information.

Confirmation

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



On a beautiful October Saturday, members of the Laudato Si group volunteered their time to do some fall cleanup at the Bresnahan School.

Some weeding, raking, trimming and removal of invasive growth gave the school a nice, neat face lift for the winter months.

HR PARISH

HR St. Vincent de Paul

Short Days / Cold Days

The days are getting shorter. The nights are getting colder. This means utility bills are going up! Whether it's electricity, oil, gas, or propane...these bills are getting harder for our neighbors to manage on a meager income. Your kind and generous donations are needed more than ever in the coming months.



Our treasury has benefited by the recent Friends of the Poor Walk fundraiser. Thank you all for your generous donations. A few of us from the Holy Redeemer conference joined our sister conference at Immaculate Conception on Saturday, November 2 for the actual walk.

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

HR Cookbooks for Sale

If you would like to purchase a copy of the HR parish cookbook, they are available in the IC parish offices during business hours. Stop in and ask for Melinda. They are \$15 each and make great gifts!



They will be on sale at the HR Holiday Fair (November 23).

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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, hricatholic.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.

Holy Redeemer Volunteers

Over the last few weeks all Collaborative volunteers should have received an invitation to a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on November 10 at IC Church.

When that date was planned, we were not aware of some conflicting activities at Holy Redeemer. Aware of that now, the Collaborative Ministry Committee is planning to schedule a thank you luncheon for Holy Redeemer volunteers sometime in January. We will announce that date as soon as possible. Watch the bulletin for further information.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

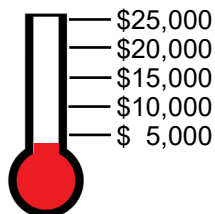
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HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Oct. 25	\$ 908.00
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$ 353.00
Total Weekly Offertory, Oct. 26–27	\$3,189.00
Ongoing Church Maintenance, Oct. 12–27	\$ 450.00

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

HR Grand Annual
Goal \$25,000
To Date \$4,245.00



St. Ann Coffee Social

Join us for St. Ann's Coffee Social on **November 3** following the 10:00 Mass in the church hall.



Please join us—young and old, and in between for coffee and baked goods, to visit with old friends, and to make new ones! They are a lot of fun! For your convenience, the side door on the parking lot side will be open with easier access to the hall.

If anyone is interested in hosting a coffee, or baking your favorite treat, please call or text Donna Pallone, (978) 886-1621.

Also, Holy Redeemer Cookbooks will be available to purchase for \$15.



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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception
Collaborative Parishes

Coffee & Quiche at Nativity

There will be coffee, quiche, and conversation at Nativity following the 8:30 Mass on Veterans Day **Sunday, November 10.**

After being nourished, we will be moving, lugging, and pushing items in the hall to start getting the hall set up for our **fair**. Please plan on helping. Workers will be busily preparing for the fair the following two weeks. Check out our **calendar** posted on the hall's glass doors and drop by to lend a hand!

Holiday Fair News

Save the Date. The HR Holiday Fair is Saturday, November 23.

The Holiday Fair is a long-running tradition at Holy Redeemer. It is held the Saturday before Thanksgiving at Nativity Hall. Visitors can shop for *gift baskets*, bid on *silent auction* items, purchase *50/50 raffle* tickets, browse the *nearly new table*, enjoy *homemade soups for lunch*, and stop over at the *bake sale* table for dessert.

Bake sale table donations: We could use some homemade treats. Please package donations in individual serving sizes (2–5 cookies per bag, 1 brownie per bag, etc.) and label it so we know what it is (chocolate chip cookies, lemon bars, etc.) and if it has nuts. We also welcome gluten-free items. Questions? Contact **Pauline: 978-504-1792.**

Donated items for the **Nearly New Table** may be brought to Nativity hall after the 4:00 Mass on **Saturday, November 2 and Sunday, November 3** after the 8:30 Mass. **We will not be able to accept donations for the Nearly New Table after November 3.**

The **Silent Auction Table** is also looking for donations. If you have questions, please call **Carole: 978-346-9031.** If you have pieces of art, collectables, sport tickets, a weekend getaway, *new* small appliances, etc., consider donating it to the silent auction. Most any donation is fun to display on the table and watch the bidding.

Homemade soups are served for **lunch**. Please **contact Marie Greeley (508-523-0404)** to tell us your soup donation and receive your crock pot liner. Drop off your hot soup the day of the fair by 9:00 a.m.

Gift basket donations are needed for our fair. Themed gift baskets at our annual fair are always a huge success. Pick a theme, purchase 3–4 related items and put them in a basket. The committee will wrap them up. Basket donations may be brought to Nativity Hall starting **Sunday, November 10.**



Volunteers will be in the hall for the 2 weeks prior to the fair, preparing for the fair. More donation times will be posted on the hall's glass doors. Donations may also be left in the back of St. Ann, please label donations "**FAIR.**"

This year we will not be mailing **raffle tickets** as the process has become too costly. Instead, we are holding a **50/50 raffle**. Tickets for the 50/50 raffle will be available after Masses on **November 2–3** and during the fair. The winning ticket will be drawn at 2:00 p.m. the day of the fair.

The fair committee is looking for CVS plastic **bags** (with the handles). These are a good size for us to use for our "to go" lunches. Please leave your donations in the back of either church labeled "fair."

The Activities Committee will be setting **up the Nativity hall for the fair on Sunday, November 10.** Please plan on helping move tables, cart boxes, push wall units and more! **Muscle** will be needed!!

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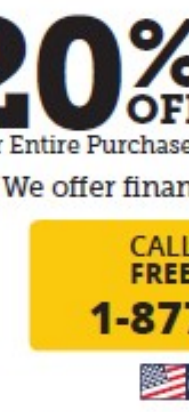


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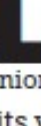
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