

**HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
COLLABORATIVE PARISHES**

**SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 26, 2026**

**[hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org)**

**All Are Welcome**



*I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved,  
and will come in and go out and find pasture.*

John 10:10



# Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

## St. Ann

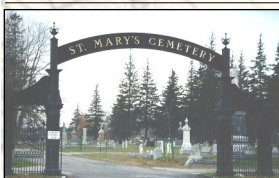
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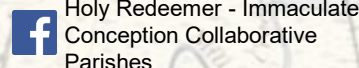
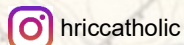
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### Confessions

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



# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday (4/25)

4:00pm **IC** *Elizabeth J. Hanlon, Reid A. Hoover Jr., Joseph A. Mulone* (Fr. Harrison)

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

### Sunday (4/26)

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

9:00am **IC** *Jerry Majocho* (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

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

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

### Monday (4/27)

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

### Tuesday (4/28)

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

### Wednesday (4/29)

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

### Thursday (4/30)

9:00am **St. Ann** *Ernest Booker* (Fr. Morin)

### Friday (5/01)

9:00am **St. Ann** *James Carew* (Fr. Morin)

### Saturday (5/02)

4:00pm **IC** *Paul L. Hanlon, Jessica Gill, Patricia Baikewicz* (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Dow)

### Sunday (5/03)

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

9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

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

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

*In your prayers please remember Patricia Baikewicz, Robert Rose, 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](http://hricatholic.org) as well as our Facebook page.

**NOTE: We will move our daily Mass to St. Ann beginning Tuesday, April 28 through Monday, May 4. Daily Mass will resume at IC on Tuesday, May 5.**



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## 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 on our website: [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org).

Free Admission!

# Spring Concert

Sunday,

April 26

2:00 p.m.

IC Church

## Featuring HRIC Adult and Youth Choirs



The HRIC Youth and Adult Choirs will be hosting their combined Spring Concert on Sunday, April 26 at 2 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church.

What a great way to welcome spring with sacred music from these talented choirs.  
Join us!

# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## This Week in Our Collaborative

See our online calendar for more listings. Link on our website: [hriccatholic.org](http://hriccatholic.org).

### Monday, April 27

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

Cub Scout Mtg. 5:30pm, Nativity Hall

### Tuesday, April 28

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

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

IC SVdP Mtg. 6:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

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

### Wednesday, April 29

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

### Thursday, April 30

### Friday, May 1

AA Mtg. 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

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

Newburyport Choral Society Concert 7:30pm, IC Church

### Saturday, May 2

Cursillo Reunion Group 9:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

### Sunday, May 3

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

Exploring Catholicism 10:15am, IC OCIA Room

St. Ann Coffee Social 11:00am, St. Ann Hall

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

Newburyport Choral Society Concert 4:00pm, IC Church

Confirmation Prep. Class 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

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

## Newburyport Choral Society

### Spring Concert: 2 performances

Friday, May 1, 7:30 p.m., IC Church

Sunday, May 3, 4:00 p.m., IC Church

Come hear the Newburyport Choral Society perform Felix Mendelssohn's dramatic oratorio "Elijah" and works by his older sister, Fanny Mendelssohn, under the direction of music director Dr. Minji Kim, in concert Friday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 3, at 4:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church.

For information: [www.newburyportchoralsociety.org/events](http://www.newburyportchoralsociety.org/events) or scan the QR code below.



*The Mendelssohn Connection*  
Elijah and works by Fanny Hensel



Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel Felix Mendelssohn

Friday, May 1 at 7:30pm  
Sunday, May 3 at 4:00pm

Immaculate Conception Church  
Newburyport, MA

Tickets \$35 | Seniors \$30 | Students \$10  
[NewburyportChoralSociety.org](http://NewburyportChoralSociety.org)

Tickets & Info



## Eucharistic Minister Training Session Announced



A training session for those interested in becoming Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion (EM/EMC) will be held on Thursday evening, May 7 at 5:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church. Anyone from any of our three Collaborative churches who is interested in this ministry and has been Confirmed can sign up. Please call Melinda in the Collaborative offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 to sign up for this training.

## Questions of the Week



**Adult:** Who are the ones in your life for whom you are a shepherd?

**Child:** Who takes care of you and watches you grow like a shepherd would do?

View our weekly bulletin online on our website: [hriccatholic.org](http://hriccatholic.org).

## Cursillo Corner



The opportunity to share in this 3-day, joyful re-introduction to the love of Christ has begun again at St. Basil's Seminary in Methuen. All are encouraged to further explore Cursillo as a part of your faith journey. Weekends are listed below.

**Women**  
April 30–May 3

June 4–7

**Contacts:** Pat Temple 617-899-0424, Jonathan Temple 978-809-9337

# 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.

## 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.

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

## Prayers for the Sick

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

Lucas Aucamp	Ed Hardy	Michael Martens
Paula Cullen	Jane Harney	Ovidio Martinez
Barnhart	Chloe Hequet	Carol O'Neal
Pattie Bombard	Loriann Herrick	Eleanora Paciulan
Kathy P. Brodeur	Matt Hershey	Joseph Palumbo
Michael Brenner	Angela Holloran	Carol Parks
Autumn Rose	Tula Hunt	Joanne Pesa
Coulombe	Emma Hurley	Elizabeth Pettingell
Kristen D'Entremont	Young Jameson	Regina Seely
Neal DesRoches	Carol Johnson	Yvonne Sloan
Cheryl DiCicco	Derek Johnson	Gary Smith
Ward Dilmore	Steve Johnson	Arlene Stoddard
Deb Downie	Michael Juralewicz	Susan Sweeney
Dotty Duval	Denise Kenneson	Taylor
Ann-Margaret	Arthur LaPointe	Captain Bill Taplin
Ferrante	Ed Laverty	Heather Thompson
John Flynn	Michael Lichtenstein	Michael Tucker
Jeanine Ebacher	Donna Limone	Maddie Villers
Fowler	Johannah Lord	Laurent Vincent
Renee Fowler	Monica Maguire	Joseph Vonhandorf
Cheryl Gallo	Sia Mahalati	Sandra Welch
Paul Gerroir	Michael Marchese	
John Gutshaw	Robert (Bob) Marks	

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

## Bulletin Information

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

## Youth Ministry

If your child is interested in **any of these ministries**, please call the parish offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 and leave your name, email, phone number, and which ministry interests your child.

### High School Youth Ministry

We invite any high school teen to join us this spring for fun, fellowship, and a little prayer on Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. on April 26. Bring a friend!

### Youth Liturgical Ministries

#### Altar Servers

**Requirements:** must have completed the 2nd grade and received his/her First Communion. **Training:** 3 one-hour sessions in the church.

#### Lectors

**Requirement:** Anyone who has been Confirmed. **Training:** approximately 1 one-hour session, on an early evening during the week.

### Youth Choir

*Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord* (Psalm 100)

The Youth Choir rehearses at IC Church on Wednesdays from 3:30–4:45 (3:45–5:00 if you need to come later).

New members, grades 3–8, are welcome! Come use your gifts to glorify the Lord!

**The Youth Choir will perform at the IC Spring Concert: Sunday, April 26 at 2:00 p.m.**



**The Youth Choir will sing at the May 10 9:00 Mass.**

For more information please contact Paula Quann: youthchoir@hriccatholic.org.

## True North Vacation Bible School

Trek into an unforgettable 4–day Alaskan adventure this summer at VBS!

**When:** Mon. June 29–Thurs. July 2

**Time:** 9:00–12:00

**Where:** Nativity Church Hall

**Who:** students ages 5–12



Registration is now open. Register online at hriccatholic.org under "Vacation Bible School."

Cost: \$50/child, \$75 for 2 and, \$100 for 3 or more children.

**Volunteers needed:** Adults and teens

Contact: Jen: 978-697-1082 Donielle: 413-668-6181

## Mass Scripture Readings

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass can be found on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website at [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org). 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.

## COLLABORATIVE NEWS



With Fr. George Morin • Thursdays in May  
9:45 a.m. (after daily Mass) • IC St. Louis Hall

Join Fr. George during the four Thursday mornings in Mary's month of May as he reflects on Our Blessed Mother depicted in four different famous pieces of art.

Refreshments will be served.

May 7: The Annunciation  
May 14: The Marriage of Joseph and Mary  
May 21: The Sorrowful Mother  
May 28: The Immaculate Conception

### Knights of Columbus



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, May 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in the IC Nazareth Library. For more information call 978-225-0804 or email [kofc231@outlook.com](mailto:kofc231@outlook.com).

### 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.

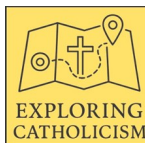
Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org), and click the "Links" tab, then on "HR Parish Online Giving" or "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the appropriate site.

Questions? Contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724.

### Exploring Catholicism

#### An Invitation to Reconnect

Have you ever felt like there are gaps in your understanding of the Catholic faith? You're not alone. Many adult Catholics carry questions they've never had the space or opportunity to ask.



"Exploring Catholicism" is for you, too. It's a peer-led weekly conversation space for revisiting the foundations, learning afresh, and growing deeper. Join us Sundays, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (10:15–11:15 a.m.), in Room 305 of the IC Pastoral Center.

Come learn, revisit, or simply listen. All are welcome.

April 26: Is It Faith...Or Just Wishful Thinking?—An Exploration of What Faith Is and Isn't

May 3: If God is Real...Wouldn't He Reach Out to Us?—An Exploration of Christian Revelation

May 10 (no session) Happy Mother's Day

For questions or to learn more, contact: Aaron Giard, OCIA Director, (978) 462-2724, [agiard@hricatholic.org](mailto:agiard@hricatholic.org).



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### Marian Retreat

"To Jesus Through Mary" *St. Louis de Montfort*  
Celebrating God's gift of Mary in your life.

Please consider a Marian retreat in May to honor and celebrate the Gift of Mary, our Blessed Mother. This retreat will focus on your relationship with Mary. Exploring the many ways Our Blessed Mother leads her children to Jesus may reveal your own path to Jesus through Mary. Authentic Marian devotion always leads to Christ.

Provided retreat material will include writings from spiritual authors; questions for reflection; Scripture passages for reading, reflection, and Lectio Divina; and sacred images of Mary for Visio Divina. Retreat materials will reflect your desires and through your prayer and pondering may reveal the gift of Mary in your life.

We will meet in person or by Zoom for spiritual direction sessions you schedule. Spiritual direction sessions will provide time to share and explore the fruits of your retreat work. This offering is designed to provide an affordable, convenient retreat that creates an intimate space for you to share yourself deeply with the Holy Spirit's guidance.

**Retreat opens May 1; retreat closes May 31**  
**Begin retreat any time you choose.**

Four one-hour spiritual direction sessions scheduled at your convenience

Spiritual Director: Elizabeth McCarthy, Certified Spiritual Director, MA Pastoral Counseling

Call (978) 462-7483 to register or for additional information.

Suggested donation: \$95.00

# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Apr. 18–19	\$1,985.00
HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending Apr. 17	\$ 205.00
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$ 654.00
<b>Total Weekly Offertory, Apr. 18–19</b>	<b>\$2,844.00</b>
Pastor's Charity, Apr. 18–19	\$ 722.00
Grand Annual, Goal: \$25,000	\$24,336.00

The second collection this weekend (April 26) is the Monthly. The second collection next weekend (May 3) is Ongoing Church Maintenance.

Unless otherwise indicated, make out checks to **Holy Redeemer Parish** with the second collection noted in the memo.

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](http://hricatholic.org/hr-online-giving).



**HR Catholic Appeal**  
**Goal \$27,000.00**  
**To Date \$17,405.00**

Visit [bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org) to learn more or to donate.



\$27,000.00  
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## HR St. Vincent de Paul

*Neighbors in Need*

Here are a few stories of those that you have helped recently:

“Norm” lives alone in Merrimac and is unable to work due to chronic bone and joint problems. Only in his forties, he hopes to be able to find work that can accommodate his health issues. While his elderly father helps with many of the bills, you were able to pay an overdue light bill to prevent shut-off.

“Sharon” got behind in her Merrimac apartment rent payments when her hours were cut back over the last year or so. Recognizing that eviction proceedings would start soon, you stepped in to help.

“Rhonda” lives in the Merrimac house that her parents built. Now alone and suffering from cancer, she’s unable to pay some of her bills. You recently paid an overdue light bill to ease her financial burden.

Your kind donations in any form are always greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes that can be found on tables at the main entrances of 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**.

## Activities Committee Meeting

The Activities Committee will be having a meeting on Monday, May 11 at Saint Ann Hall- 9:30 AM. All are invited to attend. We will be discussing and planning our activities for the summer months!

## Catholic Legacy Society

*Do you want to thank God for all He has given you in your lifetime? Do you care about ensuring that the Catholic values you live and believe will continue to radiate well into the future? Do you want to ensure your parish remains healthy and strong?*

Consider making a planned gift!

A planned gift is a future gift from your assets that you can easily make through your will, trust, life insurance policy or retirement account. A planned gift supports the future of your parish while allowing you to receive life income and other tax advantages.



CATHOLIC  
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 ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON

*Lynne Sullivan, Director of the Catholic Legacy Society, will be speaking at Masses this weekend about the Catholic Legacy Society and will be presenting “Planned Giving*

*Made Simple” on Wednesday, June 3 (location/time TBD). For more information or to register please contact Dennis or Christine at 978-462-2724, 978-346-8604.*

**Lynne will speak at the following HR Masses:**

**April 26, 8:30 Mass at Nativity**

**April 26, 10:00 Mass at St. Ann**



*Congratulations to Carley Couturier who was received into full Communion and Confirmed at Nativity Church Sunday morning, April 12. She is pictured with her sponsor, Donielle Silwa.*

## Saturday Mass at Nativity

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass will move to **Nativity, Merrimac** for the month of **May**.

## HR Coffee Socials

**St. Ann** will be holding their next coffee social in the church hall on **May 3** following the 10:00 Mass. 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.

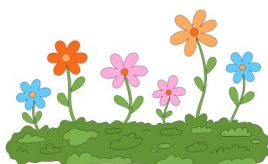


If you are interested in hosting a coffee, or baking your favorite treat, please call or text Donna, 978-904-5682.

**Nativity's** last coffee social, before we take a break for the summer, will be Sunday, **May 17**. Please plan on attending after the 8:30 Mass.

## HR PARISH

### Activities Committee Planting Summer Flowers



The Activities Committee, once the weather gets warmer, will be working on the church yards and flower plantings. With our bake sale before Lent, we raised over \$600.00. We plan to buy flowers for the outside of our churches.

Please consider lending a hand. There will be sign up sheets in the back of the churches soon, looking for weekly **watering help** this coming summer. If you could commit to **one week this summer**, to tend to the plants, that would be a great help in making our churches look spiffy!

### St. Ann Lost & Found

Items left in the pews at St. Ann can be found in in a small bin in the rear of the church.

Lost & Found items currently in the bin:

- Black beanie winter hat
- Book: *The Resting Place*
- Blue lady's hat
- Prayer card for Andrew T. Vlack
- 2 glasses cases
- 2 pairs of lady's leopard print gloves
- Article: "The Cross that Came Back"
- 3 pairs of reading glasses
- Toy airplane
- 1 silver hoop earring



### Memorial Day Events

The American Legion will be having a Memorial Day service at the **Locust Grove Cemetery, Merrimac on Monday, May 25**. There will be an 8:30 a.m. service for the Navy and Coast Guard and a 9:00 a.m. service for all other military. *Memorial Day, held the last Monday in May, is the nation's foremost annual day to mourn and honor its deceased service men and women.*

**West Newbury** will be celebrating Memorial Day on **Monday, May 25** with a parade at 10 a.m.. To honor our Veterans and support the parade goers, there will be a table in front of **Saint Ann Church**. Please stop by and say hello!

## IC PARISH

### IC Choir Members at Gospel Night at the Pops

Four members of the Immaculate Conception Adult Choir will be performing at Boston's Symphony Hall at 7:30 p.m. on June 6 as part of the Boston Pops Gospel Choir.

Bonnie Durante, Kate Prescott, and Pat and Jon Temple will join the 90-member choir, directed by renowned conductor/arranger, Charles Floyd, with guest artists Tamela and David Mann.

Tickets are on sale at the Symphony Hall box office or online at [www.bso.org](http://www.bso.org). The show is always a sellout so tickets will go quickly. A "friends and family" discount can be applied using the promotion Gospel25.

Come and support our choir members and enjoy a night of joy-filled, spirit-lifting music and ministry.

### St. Mary's Cemetery



Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue in Newburyport. 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. Cemetery plots are available for full-body and cremated remains burials in any denomination.

Call Joseph Viel, Mill City Management Corporation, at 978-208-0266 to schedule an appointment.

### Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage



- Rome • Papal Audience • Monte Cassino • San Giovanni Rotondo • Monte Sant' Angelo • Lanciano • Loreto • Assisi • Sansepolcro • Medjugorje\*

Spiritual Director: **Fr. George Morin**  
Group Leaders: **Paul & Christine Blanchette**  
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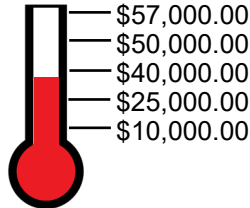
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## Immaculate Conception School

The Immaculate Conception School 8th grade class spent four days and three nights exploring Washington, DC and its surrounding areas the week after Easter. Highlights included a spooky and fun Old Town Alexandria Ghost Tour, where students walked historic streets and heard local legends. At the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, they were fascinated by the papal chair display, especially the chair designed specifically for Pope Leo. Several boys from the class brought up the gifts during the 5 p.m. Mass.

The group was moved by their visit to the Old Supreme Court Chamber at the Capitol Building, where history came alive. Arlington National Cemetery made a strong impression, especially for those with family connections to this national landmark. The students were there for the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The Holocaust Museum left a lasting impact on everyone, prompting thoughtful discussions and reflection. The tour at George Washington's home at Mount Vernon was also impactful. Lighter moments were enjoyed at the National Zoo and the Natural History Museum, where students marveled at animals and ancient artifacts.

Perfect weather made the trip even more enjoyable, and everyone appreciated the chance to spend time together, strengthening friendships and creating lasting memories. With graduation just six weeks away, the Washington, D.C. trip is an important bonding time for our students!



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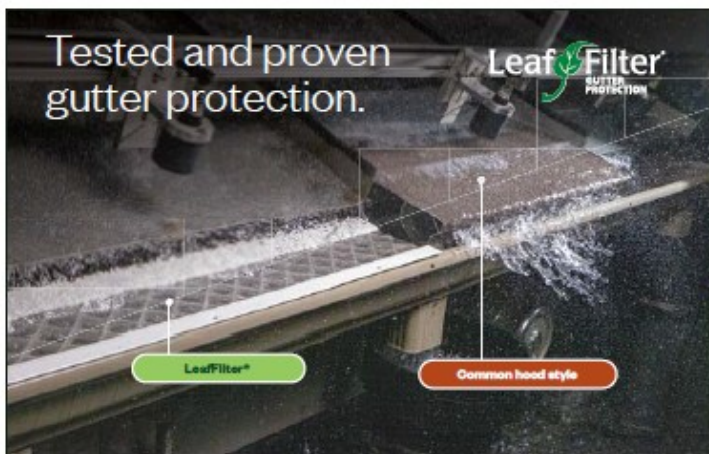
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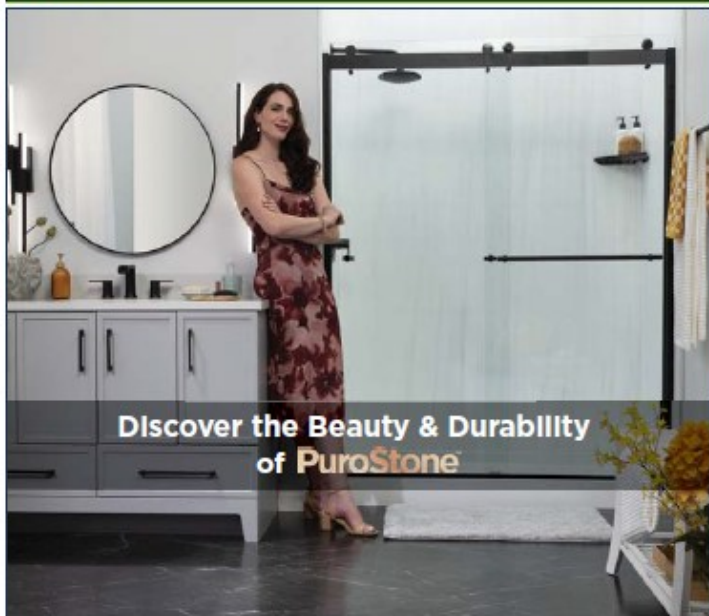
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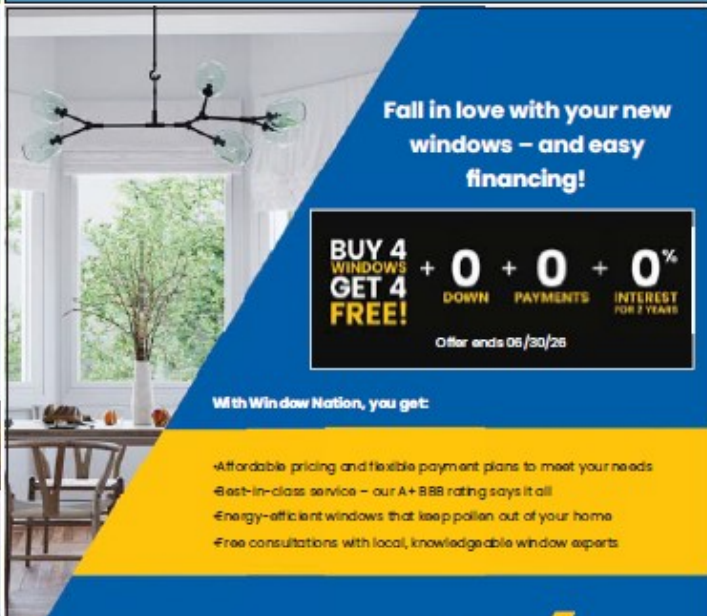
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