Holy Redeemer and Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes

Serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, and West Newbury

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021

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Rose window at
St. Ann, West Newbury

St. Ann, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Pray for Us.

All Are Welcome



Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

St. Ann

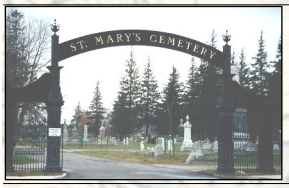
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Office Hours: M–F 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
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St. Mary's Cemetery

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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes

Collaborative News

Mass Schedule

Saturday (7/24)
4:00pm **IC** (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Dow)
4:00pm **Nativity** *Armand & Therese Cormier* (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
Sunday (7/25)
8:30am **Nativity** *Erwin Batchelder* (Fr. Harrison)
9:00am **IC** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)
10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)
11:00am **IC** (Fr. Stanley)
Monday (7/26)
9:00am **IC** *Mr. Stefan Javor* (Fr. Harrison)
Tuesday (7/27)
9:00am **IC** *Gene Talford, Josephine & William Caliento* (Fr. Harrison)
Wednesday (7/28)
9:00am **IC** *Jackie Gibbons* (Fr. McLaughlin)
Thursday (7/29)
9:00am **IC** *Joyce Corey* (Fr. Morin)
Friday (7/30)
9:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison)
Saturday (7/31)
4:00pm **IC** *Henry Szymura, John Kearney Herlihy* (Fr. Morin)
4:00pm **Nativity** *Jean Basque* (Fr. Harrison)
Sunday (8/1)
8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)
9:00am **IC** *Raymond J. Haley* (Fr. Harrison)
10:00am **St. Ann** *Dina Tsoukalis* (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)
11:00am **IC** *Mary Ellen Sylvester* (Fr. McLaughlin & Deacon Moranski)

In your prayers, please remember Adrienne Mosher and all the faithful departed.

IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport
Nativity—Merrimac
St. Ann—West Newbury

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

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

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

Bulletin Information

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

Family Prayer Group



Some of our parishioners have formed a group to pray for families and do so on the last Friday of the month, calling the prayer group "Final Fridays for Families" or "*FFF*" as a result.

It is not burdensome or time-consuming and simply involves receiving a reminder on the last Friday of each month and saying a prayer for families at a time and place that is convenient to you on that day. The group particularly prays for all members and their families and their special intentions. If you would like to join the group and receive the monthly prayer reminder, please let Sheila Cruise or Linda Temple know in our Collaborative Office. They can be reached at (978) 462-2724 or email at: info@newburyportcatholic.org.

Collaborative Pastoral Council

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

The purpose of the Collaborative Pastoral Council is to assist the pastor in his leadership role of planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating, and reviewing the evangelization, worship, religious education, and service activities within the Collaborative.

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

EWTN: Catholic News

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www.ewtnnews.com/

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

***Monday,* July 26**
AA Meeting 10:30am, *IC St. Louis Hall*
The Compassionate Friends Meeting 7:30pm, *IC Conference Room 209*

Tuesday, July 27
Breaking Bread Takeout-Only Meal 4:30pm, *IC St. Louis Hall*

Wednesday, July 28
Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, *IC Nazareth Library*

Thursday, July 29
Adoration 7:15pm, *IC Church*

Friday, July 30
AA Meeting 7:00pm, *IC St. Louis Hall*

Saturday, July 31
Confessions 3:00pm, *IC Church*
Sunday, August 1
RCIA 9:00am, *IC Parish Center, Room G19*

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

Holy Communion in the Hand

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

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

Confessions



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

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

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

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



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

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

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

Place: IC Church

Absent a clergy presider:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament only.

RCIA

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Then RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for you. RCIA is a program for those considering becoming Catholic as adults or youth that have not yet received the sacraments in the traditional years. If you would like to learn more, about this program, contact Deacon John Moranski, 978-432-1443, jmoranski51@gmail.com.

Prayers for the Sick

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

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

Word On Fire Engage

Everyone in our Collaborative now has free access to the entire Word on Fire digital video library.

WORD on FIRE ENGAGE

You can watch any of Bishop Barron's films or study programs whenever you want, on any device!

To access the resources of Word on Fire's ENGAGE, please register at **flocknote.com/hriccollaborative** or by texting **HRIC** to **84576**. Once you register, you will have access to ENGAGE.

We are excited to bring ENGAGE to you. Along with **FORMED** (formed.org), we now have a treasure chest of online faith formation resources available free to all in the HRIC community. We encourage you to take full advantage of these resources.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Celebrating the life of St. Ann(e) in West Newbury



According to Christian tradition, St. Anne (or Ann) was the mother of Mary and the maternal grandmother of Jesus. She is not mentioned in the four canonical Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, but her story is told in early church texts written in the second and third centuries. From early times, she was honored in both Eastern and Western Christianity. A church was built in her honor in 550 AD in Constantinople and in the 700s, a fresco was painted in her honor in the church of Santa Maria Antiqua in Rome.

The tradition says that Anne was born in Bethlehem in Judea. She married Joachim from Nazareth and together they shared a wealthy and devout life in Jerusalem. But they grieved because they had no children. Like the barren Hanna in the Old Testament story of her conception of the prophet Samuel, Anne promised God that, if she conceived, she would dedicate her firstborn child to God's service. An angel appeared to announce that Anne would conceive Mary, a child who would be blessed by all the world.

At the same time, her husband Joachim, who had been turned away from offering sacrifice at the Temple because he was childless, went to the mountains to pray to God for a child. The angel then also appeared to Joachim and made the same promise. When Joachim returned, Anne went to meet him at the Golden Gate of Jerusalem, as instructed by the angel. They shared their stories of the angel's message and went home rejoicing. The Orthodox icon of "The Conception of the Virgin Mary" depicts Anne and Joachim embracing at the city gates. The upper left and right corners of the icon show Anne's and Joachim's encounters with the angel. In the Roman Catholic Church, the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim is celebrated on July 26.

According to one ancient tradition, when the child Mary was three years old, Joachim and Anne, in fulfillment of Anne's promise to dedicate the child to God, brought Mary to the Temple in Jerusalem, where they left her to be brought up. The dedication of Mary at the Temple became so important in church tradition that by 1585, Pope Sixtus V declared it a liturgical feast of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary (November 21). It is still observed as a Memorial in the Church calendar. Anne is said to be the aunt of Elizabeth, who became the mother of St. John the Baptist. And one tradition holds that St. Anne died in Jerusalem at the age of 79, before the Annunciation and birth of Jesus.

St. Anne is the patron saint of unmarried women, married women, women in labor, childless people, and grandmothers (also lace makers, equestrians, miners, the poor, and seamstresses). She is honored as a mother who cares for the needs of her spiritual children. As the mother of the Virgin Mary and the grandmother of Jesus, St. Anne was venerated as a woman of great virtue and love. The ancient Greek icon "The Holy Motherhood" depicts Anne holding Mary on her lap while Mary holds Jesus on her lap.

In later artistic renderings, St. Anne is often shown seated with a book on her lap. The child Mary stands against her, eager to listen and learn. Our St. Ann Church's stained glass window (on the bulletin cover) shows Ann with a book. Her statue there (see above) shows her standing with a book and an attentive child Mary beside her. God entrusted to St. Anne the task of raising Mary in a holy and virtuous home, and from a very young age, Mary looked to St. Anne to learn about God and how God works in the lives of those who love and serve him.

~Joan Rossi

Mass Scripture Readings

The Scripture passages read each day at Mass can be found on the United States Council of Catholic Bishops' website at **bible.usccb.org**. There you will find the daily readings, be able to listen to them on podcast, and have the opportunity to watch a short reflection piece on the readings offered by a Catholic priest, deacon, religious, or lay person.

Praying with the Scriptures daily is a wonderful way to deepen our relationship with Our Lord and to discern how best to serve God as an intentional disciple of Christ. Please access the HRIC webpage to learn about Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go to **www.HRICcatholic.org**; click on HRIC Pastoral Plan; and then click on Lectio Divina.

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

Prayer to St. Ann(e)



Glorious and holy St. Anne, whom the Heavens admire, whom the Saints honor, and the earth reveres. The just, the penitent, and the sinner consider you as their powerful advocate before God, for by your intercession the just hope for an increase of grace, the penitent for their justification, the sinners for the remission of their sins. Be, then, kind and generous to us. Pray for us in Heaven. Use in our favor the great influence you have before God, particularly for St. Ann Church in West Newbury. Obtain our request and grant that we may live always close to God. Good St. Anne, Mother of her who is our life, our sweetness, and our hope, pray to her for us and obtain our request.
OUR FATHER, HAIL MARY, GLORY BE.

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- Visit formed.org
- Click "Sign up"
- Click "I belong to a parish or organization" and type in "Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative" (or type in code JRNDGP) and tap "next"
- Add your name and email and click "sign up"
- You will receive an email that links you to the site

Questions of the Week



Adult: In what ways do you generously provide for the needs of others who have little or nothing?
Child: How do you share what you have with others? This week write down or draw a picture of what you did every day to share with others.

Foster Care

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Retrouvaille Weekend Retreat

Retrouvaille Weekend for Couples
August 20, 2021, Tewksbury, MA

Is your marriage going down the right road? Or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help you get your relationship back on track.

For more information, contact the registration team: 800-470-2230 or visit our website HelpOurMarriage.org.

Facebook Mass

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

1. Go to our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/) at the appointed time. If you don't have a Facebook page, you can still watch the live stream from your computer, smartphone, or tablet using the above link.
2. Click the "videos" link on the page.
3. The LIVE video should be the first one on the list.

Women at the Well Bible Study

Welcome to a community full of women just like you. Wherever you are in your faith journey, join us as we meet weekly for Blessed is She Bible study, community, and friendship as we grow together in Christ.

We are meeting virtually. We meet Monday nights, 6:30–8:00. All are welcome.

Please email HRICWomenAtTheWell@gmail.com to join us.

Do you ever feel like there must be something more than your day-to-day routine? Looking for a way to connect to other faith-centered women in the midst of a busy work, social or parenting life? Or maybe you're just searching for a new way to regularly meet and connect with Jesus.

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Wherever you are in your faith journey, join us as we meet weekly for *Blessed Is She* bible study, community and friendship as we grow together in Christ.

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EMAIL US TO JOIN!

MONDAY NIGHTS
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ALL ARE WELCOME!

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Neighbors Helping Neighbors

If you are a parishioner in the Collaborative and want assistance with fundamental needs such as grocery store runs, prescription pick ups, meal deliveries, etc., please call the Collaborative offices at **978-462-2724** or **978-346-8604 (ext. 1000)** and let us know how we can help.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors volunteers would love to give you a call to chat or send you a note. We know that this is a difficult period for everyone, particularly to those who live alone. Let us help brighten your day! If you would be interested in receiving a call or note, please call the HRIC offices at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604 (ext. 1000) and leave your name, address, and phone number and we will reach out to you.

Virtual Rosary



Join us for recitation of the rosary live on Facebook twice every week. Pray along with us and add your intentions in the comments on Facebook. www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, July 17–18	**$ 970.00**
Mailed-in Offertory, week ending July 16	**$ 470.00**

No second collection this weekend (July 25) or next weekend (August 1).

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

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

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HR Online Giving

HR provides Online Giving—a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring donation. To get started you need to be a registered member of Holy Redeemer Parish. Registration forms are available on the website or contact the parish office.

Once you register, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then "HR Parish Online Giving" to get to the site. There are three different funds you can contribute to: Offertory, Monthly, and Grand Annual.

Questions? Contact Linda Temple, HRIC Administrative Assistant at 978-462-2724 x7404.

HR Holiday Fair Update

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

The fair will be held **Saturday, November 20**, in the Nativity Hall. Mark your calendars!

HR St. Vincent de Paul

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

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

Saturday Mass at St. Ann

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

HR Faith Formation

All Faith Formation schedules and registration forms are posted on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

School Year Programs

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

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

Summer Faith Formation

We are looking forward to offering a week of Faith Formation for those students entering Grades 3–8 the week of August 9–13 at the IC campus. If you are interested, please register your child as soon as possible!

A registration form can be found on our parish website (hriccatholic.org) or request one be sent to you by calling the Faith Formation Office at 978-462-2724 x7405.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

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

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

Please keep these children in your prayers!

Baptism

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

Confirmation

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

HR Prayer Shawl



Fr. Tim blesses the prayer shawls during Mass

If you know of anyone who needs a prayer shawl, please give their name to Helen hvktax@aol.com or 978-771-4673. If you know the address that we can deliver to, maybe a favorite color, that would be helpful but not necessary. We will not intrude at this difficult time but simply leave it at their door.

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, July 17–18	**$5,569.00**
Ongoing Church Maintenance, July 17–18	**$ 898.00**
Mailed In Offertory, week ending July 16	**$1,163.00**

The second collection this weekend (July 25) is Electrical Cooling Costs. The second collection next weekend (August 1) is IC Haiti. ***Please make checks payable to "IC Haiti."***

If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to
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Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then click on "IC Parish Online Giving" to get to the site. There are four different funds you can choose to contribute to.

If you manage your other bills online, why not give to your Church online? It is safe and secure and you get to decide exactly when and to where your gift will be made.

Any questions? Contact Linda Temple, HRIC Administrative Assistant 978-462-2724 x7404.

IC St. Vincent de Paul

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

To donate, visit our website and donate online at **www.svdpnewburyport.org**, drop your donation (checks payable to "**SVdP of Newburyport**.") into the collection box at Mass, or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

Breaking Bread to-go Meal

Tuesday evenings • **take out only** • 4:30–5:30 p. m. at the entrance to the IC Parish Center. All are welcome!

IC Haiti Appeal

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

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

Please use the special IC Haiti envelops and make out checks to "IC Haiti."

St. Mary's Cemetery

Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue. St. Mary's Cemetery is a 35-acre cemetery with consecrated grounds that provides tranquility and peacefulness at those difficult times that we all are faced with. Please visit the parish cemetery and you will find the cemetery to be well-managed and maintained. Cemetery plots are available for full-body and cremated remains burials in any denomination. Call Joseph Viel, Superintendent, at 978-208-0266 to schedule an appointment.



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The Pelican Intervention Fund



The Pelican Intervention Fund is dedicated to supporting men and women on their journey from addiction to recovery. The Pelican Intervention Fund offers hope for sustained recovery for adults who live in the communities of Amesbury, Byfield, Georgetown, Groveland, Ipswich, Merrimac, Newbury, West Newbury, Newburyport, Rowley, and Salisbury. If you have any questions contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more.

PIF Yankee Homecoming Parade Invitation

The Pelican Intervention Fund invites the Collaborative to join us as we march in the 2021 Yankee Homecoming Parade on Sunday, August 8.

The parade route is along High Street, Newburyport, and all you have to do is walk with the "Pelicans" and wave at the happy people lining the parade route cheering us on. Help us share our message of hope and recovery utilizing the faith-based 12-step programs we support.

- Parade starts at 12:00 noon, on August 8, 2021
- Line-up time: 11:00 a.m. at Mosely Ave. (look for the decorated PIF truck)
- Parade starts at Atkinson Park and ends at Barlett Mall (about 1.5 miles)



- All are welcome- kids, grands, parents: the whole family

If interested, please call Kim Keene at 987-430-1408 or email, Kim.e.keene5@gmail.com.

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Family Support Group

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



Meetings are hosted by Corey Beaver, a certified family-focused interventionist. For more information, please call Corey: (781) 854-2541

IC Faith Formation

All Faith Formation schedules and registration forms are posted on our website at www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation.

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

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

Summer Faith Formation

We are looking forward to offering a week of Faith Formation for those students entering Grades 3–8 the week of August 9–13. If you are interested, please register your child as soon as possible!

A registration form can be found on our parish website (hriccatholic.org) or request one be sent to you by calling the Faith Formation Office at 978-462-2724 x7405.

Confirmation

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

Baptism

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

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

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

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

Please keep these children in your prayers!

Free Hair Cuts



Donna Koen, a parishioner and licensed hairdresser of 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.

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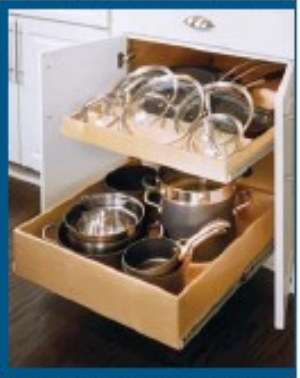
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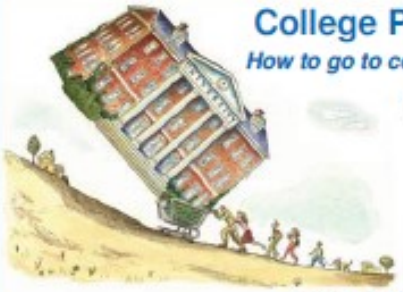
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