

HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 9, 2023

All Are Welcome

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*Come to me, all you who labor
and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.*

Mt 11:28



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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Office Hours: By appointment

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Immaculate Conception

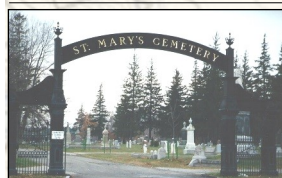
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Newburyport 01950

Immaculate Conception School

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Holy Redeemer - Immaculate
Conception Collaborative
Parishes



COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (7/8)

4:00pm **IC** *Matthew Eaton, Elaine Machaiek, Alton Tobey* (Fr. Harrison)
4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)

Sunday (7/9)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison)
9:00am **IC** *Regina Browe, John Larnard* (Fr. Morin)
10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)
11:00am **IC** *Joseph Underhill, Diane Rohner, For the Intentions of Joseph & Erin Goodwin* (Fr. Stanley & Deacon Dow)

Monday (7/10)

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

Tuesday (7/11)

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

Wednesday (7/12)

9:00am **IC** *For the Niles, Keefe, Swochak, & Macri Families* (Fr. Stanley)

Thursday (7/13)

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

Friday (7/14)

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

Saturday (7/15)

4:00pm **IC** *Mary Healy* (Fr. Stanley)
4:00pm **Nativity** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

Sunday (7/16)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Stanley)
9:00am **IC** *Paul J. Naughton, Sandra Lambert* (Fr. Harrison)
10:00am **St. Ann** *Jerry Mullen* (Fr. Morin)
11:00am **IC** (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Moranski)

In your prayers please remember Joseph Murphy Jr. 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: riccatholic.org and on Facebook: ([Holy Redeemer - Immaculate Conception Collaborative Parishes](#)).

Volunteers Needed for Merrimac "Old Home Days"

This year, scout Troop 41 will be unable to host their traditional Chicken BBQ as part of Merrimac Old Home Days on August 11–13.

Volunteers are being sought from the whole Collaborative who might be willing to step in and run this much-loved event this year. The Scouts will provide equipment and a step-by-step set of directions to those willing to help. If you are interested, please contact our Collaborative office and leave your name and contact information with Melinda or Christine. They can be reached at 978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604. Thank you for your help in carrying on a wonderful and tasty tradition!

Parade Marchers Needed

Immaculate Conception will feature a float in the Yankee Homecoming Parade as part of the continuing celebration of the 175th Anniversary.

The parade subcommittee has designed a large and stunning representation of IC for the float complete with music, and we invite everyone who is interested to don your **free tee shirt** and join us in walking beside the float in celebration of the anniversary.

In particular, representatives of all our ministries are encouraged to join and show off your creativity in displaying the work of the many ministries which serve the greater Newburyport community. Children are welcome!

The route is approximately 1.5 miles long. We will line up next to Atkinson Common at **11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 6** and the parade will begin promptly at noon.

Please email the committee at hricshare@gmail.com or you can call the office (978-462-2724) and let us know you will be there! Don't miss this fun community event!



Newburyport Chamber Music Festival Open Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 9, 10:00 a.m., Nativity Church

Ever want to be a fly on the wall and see how a classical work is prepared for performance? Come see the festival artists assemble this summer's repertoire. Central to NCMF, open rehearsals allow the audience to obtain an unvarnished look at the sometimes difficult and controversial process in which a piece is transformed from black marks on a page to a piece of music by individuals working together to make an artistic statement.

Join us Wednesday, August 9, from 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., at Nativity Church in Merrimac for a free and open-to-the-public rehearsal for the Newburyport Chamber Music Festival (NCMF). For more information on the Newburyport Chamber Music Festival, visit newburyportchambermusic.org.

Social Action Committee

The next meeting of the Collaborative Social Action Committee will be **Wednesday, July 12, at 7:00 p.m. in IC St. Louis Hall**.

The purpose of the committee will be to aid those in need in our local communities as well as in the poorer areas of the world. If you or a member of your family is interested in becoming involved, please attend our next meeting. We are particularly interested in getting younger parish members involved, so if your son or daughter has a community service requirement, this would be the perfect opportunity to satisfy it. For more information or if you have suggestions, contact Greg Jablonski: gjabbe@gmail.com.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, July 10

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

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

Scout Troop 41 Mtg. 7:00pm, Nativity Hall

Tuesday, July 11

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

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

IC Haiti Board Mtg. 5:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

IC St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 6:15pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:00pm, IC Nazareth Library

Wednesday, July 12

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program 7:00–9:00am, St. Ann Hall

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Centering Prayer 6:00pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Social Action Committee Mtg. 7:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Thursday, July 13

Adoration 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, July 14

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

Saturday, July 15

Confessions 3:00pm, IC Church

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

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: hriccatholic.org or you can scan the QR code.



Confessions



We offer confessions Saturdays from **3:00–3:30 p.m.** at IC Church. No appointment needed. Confessions are also available at other times and places during the week by appointment only. For more information or to schedule a time for confession, contact our Collaborative offices at (978) 346-8604 or (978) 462-2724.



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IC Haiti

May the Lord continue to bless our ongoing efforts to support the people of Haiti. We thank Him for offering us a ministry of service to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

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."

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program

Next delivery is Wednesday, July 12



The HRIC Collaborative Soup & Sandwich Program (formerly the HR Sandwich Program) is asking for volunteers to help make sandwiches for the Lazarus House Ministry. We deliver on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Thank you to all who have been donating since we started up again. We are delivering over 150 sandwiches every date, and are now bringing 5 gallons of soup.

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

Any questions please contact Jill: dobsondolls@aol.com or Tom at Tom@grellafinancial.com.

Prayers for the Sick

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

Patricia Baikewicz	Jack Flynn	Lee Preble
Priscilla Brown	Eddie Gagnon	Donika Pulake
Vasfije Buhali	Charmaine Haan	Douglas Rose
Autumn Rose	Hillar Haan	Robert Rose
Coulombe	Jay Hanslig	Maureen Russell
Bill Crounse	Al Hasapis	Rob Schweizer
Drew Daubach	Terence Healey	Frank Siderio
Kristen	Sam Kitchen	Yvonne Sloban
D'Entremont	Arthur LaPointe	Arlene Stoddard
Ann-Margaret	Chet LeBlanc	Tom Tribble
Ferrante	Carol O'Neal	Michael Tucker
Jeanine Ebacher	Rev. Mario Orrigo	Maddie Villers
Fowler	Eleanora Paciulan	Laurent Vincent

Contact the Collaborative offices to remove someone 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.

Bulletin Information

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

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

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. Also, all are welcome to join us on the first Sunday of every month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the IC Parish Center for coffee and donuts.

For more information about our meetings or to join the Knights, call 978-225-0804 or email kofc231@outlook.com.

Pastoral Council Nominees

We have almost completed our third 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 parish in this way. Please list your own name if you are interested and/or list 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 parish.

If you are interested in serving on the Council, consider nominating yourself. All confirmed, active, practicing members of the Collaborative who are 16 years of age or older are eligible to be nominated. Please send the name, address, and phone number of individuals (if you have that information) you choose to nominate and email Jim: jimwilliamson35@gmail.com by **August 5, 2023**. 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.

women at the well

We invite all women to come join us at any time, no matter where you may be in your relationship with God. Our study, *Keeping in Balance from Walking with Purpose*, is about managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness rooted in Christ. We meet Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in person at the IC Parish Charity Dining Room and virtually on Zoom.

If you have any questions, or would like to join via Zoom, please email hricwomenatthewell@gmail.com for the link.

If you are unable to make it to every meeting, please do not worry! This group is designed to allow you to drop in whenever you are able to join us, no pre-reading necessary from week to week.

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

We welcome all members of our Collaborative community to join us each Wednesday 6:00–7:00 p.m. via Zoom for 30 minutes of Centering Prayer, silently resting in God and surrendering and assenting to God's presence and action in our lives, and 30 minutes of reading Sacred Scripture in group Lectio Divina. Both practices strengthen our faith and reliance on God and deepen our personal relationship with God. For more information, please call Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483.

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.

Join us for Adoration.

Place: IC Church

Enter through the Green Street door only.

Time: Thurs. 7 p.m.–8 p.m. and
Fri. 9:30 a.m.–12 noon

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

The Pelican Intervention Fund



We provide funding for non-profit, 12-step residential sober homes for economically challenged people struggling with addiction. Contact Kim Keene 978-430-1408 or visit www.pelicaninterventionfund.org to learn more.

Donations can be made to "**The Pelican Intervention Fund at ECCF**" Essex County Community Foundation, 175 Andover Street, Danvers, MA 01923

Recitation of the Rosary



Join us for recitation of the rosary Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. (before 9:00 Mass) in person at IC Church or on Facebook. www.facebook.com/hriccatholic/

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Collaborative Faith Formation

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

School Year Programs (K–8)

Registrations for the 2023–24 school year will be posted on the website in the weeks ahead. Watch the bulletin for details.

Baptism

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

The God Minute

Every morning a small group of priests, nuns, and lay people start their day in prayer. Soft music, sacred scripture, and a thoughtful reflection are weaved into a 10-minute prayer called *The God Minute*. It's then uploaded for you to access and pray along with us on your own time. And it's free.

Listen with your coffee in the morning, while driving to work or taking a walk. See how easy and beautiful prayer can be. www.thegodminute.org



SCAN ME

View our weekly bulletin online on our website:
hricCatholic.org.

SAVE THE DATE October 2, 2023

IC 5TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

RENAISSANCE GOLF CLUB
377 KENOZA STREET, HAVERHILL, MA

EMAIL US FOR
MORE INFORMATION
OR TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

golf@icsnewburyport.com



Archdiocese Web Site

Visit www.bostoncatholic.org for the latest news and information around the Archdiocese of Boston.

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.

Questions of the Week

Adult: When have you placed your trust in God even though others around you did not believe?



Child: A prophet is so filled with God that you can see God working through that person. Do you know anyone like this?

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.HRICatholic.org and click on Lectio Divina.

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



Help Wanted: St. Mary Parish Faith Formation Coordinators

St. Mary Parish, Georgetown - Rowley

St. Mary Parish is currently looking for 2 Faith formation Coordinators for our 2023–2024 school year.

1. Children's Faith Formation for grades 1–6, including First Reconciliation and First Communion.
2. Youth Faith Formation for grades 7–10, including Confirmation prep. and community service activities and events.

These part-time positions would require both weekday and weekend hours. To qualify, you must possess a passion for the Catholic faith and would need a minimum of nine college credits in Religious Studies or Theology and / or previous experience of 2–4 years as a Catechetical teacher in a parish setting. If interested, please contact Maureen Cannon at mcannon@stmaysgr.com or (978) 352-2024.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

Grand Annual Goal: \$25,000

\$19,715

The second collection this weekend (July 9) is the Monthly. The second collection next weekend (July 16) 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: hriccatholic.org/hr-online-giving.

Chamber Music Festival Open Rehearsal at Nativity

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Activities Committee Updates

We are in the planning stages of a **ham and bean dinner** followed by BINGO on Saturday, September 23 after the 4:00 Mass at Nativity. We continue to plan for the November 18 Holiday Fair as well.

If you would like to help out with the ham and bean dinner or any of the other Activities Committee events such as the November Holiday Fair, we welcome you to **join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. at Nativity Hall.**

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 or

hvktax@aol.com. 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, August 3 at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 2:00 p.m.

HR St. Vincent de Paul



Our conference welcomes additional members to join us on our journey and to help address the needs of those who call seeking assistance. There is no "summer vacation" from need. We are busy!

If you are interested in joining us or if you have questions about joining call 978-364-8604 and leave a voice message at the HR St. Vincent de Paul prompt. You can also email Marie Pierce: mvpierce4@gmail.com or Dave Olds: dolds777@gmail.com.

Continue to give generously using our poor boxes and the envelopes provided in the pews of both churches. Your donations are very much appreciated. Mail donations to 4 Green St. Merrimac, MA 01860.

Don't forget the clothes collection bin behind the Green St., Merrimac rectory and also beside the Food Mart in West Newbury. As always, we appreciate your generosity.

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

New Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers



Please give thoughtful consideration to becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion, or Altar Server for St. Ann or Nativity Church. No experience is necessary; we will teach you everything you need to know. Scheduling is very flexible. If you are interested in any of these helpful ministries, please contact the Collaborative office at 978-346-8604. Thank you for your consideration.

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HR Online Giving

It's convenient and safe. To learn more about Online giving (one-time or recurring donation options available), visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the "Links" tab, then click on "HR Parish Online Giving" to get to the site or contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724 x 402.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

Grand Annual Goal: \$100,000

\$82,165

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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 Online Giving

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

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

Once you register with the parish, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, 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.

Questions? Contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724 x 402.

Fr. Ray Richard Returns

Fr. Ray will be returning to IC Parish from his missionary work in Honduras for a visit from the end of July (in time for Yankee Homecoming) until the end of September. We look forward to welcoming him back to his native home after a number of years’ hiatus due to COVID travel restrictions.

IC St. Vincent de Paul



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

You can now make online donations on our website: www.svdnewburyport.org. If you would like to mail in your donation, please make your check payable to “**SVdP of Newburyport**” and drop it into the collection box at Mass or mail it to the parish office at 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.

Breaking Bread Meal **Dining-in** Now Available

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

Immaculate Conception School

PELICANS NEST PRE-K PROGRAM

Pelicans Nest Pre-K provides an educational foundation through faith, fun, imagination, collaboration and social interactions!

- Flexible Scheduling
- Full Day
- ½ Day includes lunchtime and recess
- Before Care & After Care 7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Weekly Classes in Art, Music, Spanish, Gym.
- Multiple outdoor play times a day.
- Daily involvement with the larger school community, Buddy Program, Church Buddies.

Limited Openings Remain for 2023/24

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

Newburyport Scouting

Newburyport Scout Troop 21 Invites Youth Ages 11-17 to Join

The Scouts BSA Troop 21 is looking for boys and girls aged 11–17 to join and participate in the adventures of Scouting! Based in Newburyport at Immaculate Conception Church, Troop 21 is the oldest Troop to be chartered in Newburyport.

Troop 21, led by Leonard Wallace and Dr. Michelle LaFlamme, offers opportunities to learn and develop life and leadership skills, make new friends through a combination of outdoor activities, visits to cultural or historical sites, and much more. One of the hallmarks of our Troop is the annual summer camping week at Griswold Scout Reservation at Hidden Valley Scout Camp in Gilmanton Iron Works, New Hampshire.

Troop 21 is dedicated to community service. One of our traditional activities is partnering with other Scout groups in Newburyport for the Memorial and Veterans Day parades and ceremonies as well as many, many service activities.

Troop 21 aims to prepare members to make ethical and moral choices by instilling the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law—the foundations of Scouting.

For more information about Troop 21 or to get information on upcoming troop events, please check out our website at www.nbptroop21.org.

Lost Purse

A purse was lost in one of the pews after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on July 2. If anyone knows where it might have been turned in, please contact Melinda in the office (978-462-2724). There were some very special sacramental items in the purse which the owner would be grateful if found.

IC 175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

IC Parish: 175th Anniversary

Immaculate Conception Parish celebrates 175 years

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

A committee has formed to create, plan, and execute these yearlong events, focused on celebrating the history of our parish and our patroness. If you would like to be part of the planning, join our next meeting at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19** at IC St. Louis Hall. All are welcome.

IC Parish 175th Anniversary Harvest Fair

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

Harvest Fair Items Needed

All-Holiday Items **Raffle Prizes**
Grandma's Attic Items

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

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

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

Please help support our Parish's 175th Anniversary Harvest Fair by setting aside your treasures now! Drop off dates will be announced in a future bulletin.

IC Berry Festival

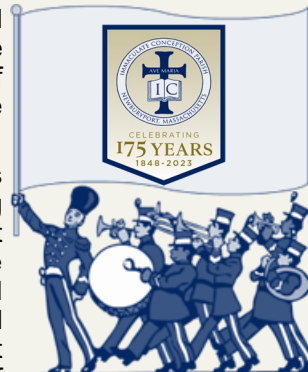
Mark your calendars for the **IC Berry Festival** which will be held on Sunday, July 30 on the grounds of IC Church during Yankee Homecoming. This will be our third festival.



Parade Marchers Needed for Yankee Homecoming Float

Immaculate Conception will feature a float in the Yankee Homecoming Parade as part of the continuing celebration of the 175th Anniversary.

The parade subcommittee has designed a large and stunning representation of IC for the float complete with music, and we invite everyone who is interested to don your **free tee shirt** and join us in walking beside the float



in celebration of the anniversary. In particular, representatives of all our ministries are encouraged to join and show off your creativity in displaying the work of the many ministries which serve the greater Newburyport community. Children are welcome!

The route is approximately 1.5 miles long. We will line up next to Atkinson Common at **11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 6** and the parade will begin promptly at noon.

Please email the committee at hricshare@gmail.com or call the office (978-462-2724) and let us know you will be there! Don't miss this fun community event!

175th Anniversary Page on Website

Take a minute to visit the IC 175th Anniversary page on the Collaborative Website, www.hriccatholic.org for many upcoming events as well as past events and photo links.

175th Anniversary Prayer

Immaculate Conception Church

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

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

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

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

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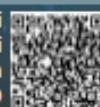
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