

HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 9, 2026

hriccatholic.org

All Are Welcome



*But when he saw how [strong] the wind was he
became frightened;
and, beginning to sink, he cried out,
“Lord, save me!”*

Mt 14: 30



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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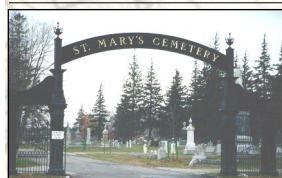
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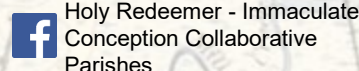
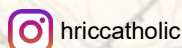
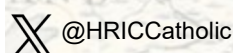
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Confessions

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



COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Mass Schedule

Saturday (8/08)

4:00pm **IC** *Patricia Donahue Gabriel, Christopher Michael Tobin* (Fr. Harrison)

4:00pm **St. Ann** (Fr. Stanley)

Sunday (8/09)

8:30am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin & Deacon Moranski)

9:00am **IC** *Patricia Donahue Gabriel, Dianne Zerigian Lees* (Fr. Harrison & Deacon Dow)

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

11:00am **IC** *Patricia Donahue Gabriel, Leon Nelson Randall* (Fr. Harrison)

Monday (8/10)

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

Tuesday (8/11)

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

Wednesday (8/12)

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

Thursday (8/13)

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

Friday (8/14)

9:00am **IC** *Marian E. Quinn* (Fr. Morin)

Saturday (8/15) **Feast of the Assumption**

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

4:00pm **IC** *Diana M. Marchese, Mary McDougall, Donald Goode, Art Murphy* (Fr. Stanley)

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

Sunday (8/16)

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

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

10:00am **St. Ann** (Fr. Harrison)

11:00am **IC** *John B. Rubner* (Fr. Stanley)

In your prayers please remember William R. Palle 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: hriccatholic.org as well as our Facebook page.



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Collaborative Faith Formation

K–8th grade Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation schedules and online registration forms are now posted on our website.

Go to www.hriccatholic.org/Faith-Formation to find links to the schedule and forms.

Confirmation Preparation (8th grade) will begin with two options: September 15 or 16 at 6:15 p.m.

All other grades will begin on Sunday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Baptisms

Please call the Collaborative offices (978-462-2724 or 978-346-8604) for more information regarding this sacrament.

IC Haiti Gratitude

Thanks to all who contributed to last weekend's collection to support IC Haiti's ongoing ministry to the school children of Puit Chacha, Haiti.



At the 4 :00 p.m. Mass at IC, Fr. Stanley's homily focused on Matthew's account of the feeding of 5,000. Whereas the disciples felt what they had to offer was too little to meet the needs of the people, Jesus told them not to dismiss the crowd. Instead, they were to distribute the little they had, trusting in Our Lord's blessing of their offering.

Just so, we as the HRIC Collaborative have accepted the call to minister to the needs of the school community in Puit Chacha. We are now in our 17th year of service, and the situation in Haiti continues to cry out for our help. Left to our own devices, we wonder how much longer we can remain committed to this ministry. But, as disciples of Jesus, we know we are not left to our own devices. Our Lord has entrusted us with this ministry, and He continues to tell us as He did His first disciples not to dismiss the crowd, not to give up on our brothers and sisters in Haiti.

Your generous response over the past 17 years is indicative of your enduring trust in God's blessing of IC Haiti's ministry. We are sincerely grateful for your support and for Our Lord's blessing on our shared ministry to Haiti.

Next week we will present you with an update on the Fr. Marc Piché Elementary School at the end of their most recent school year.

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

IC Church Parking Lot Resurfacing Updates

Daily Mass returns to IC beginning on August 10. The parking lot will be available for parking beginning August 8.

Note: There will be no lines in the parking lot yet. We will be arranging a time when the parking lot lines will be painted and the jersey barriers can be brought back. These dates are TBD. Please watch the website and social media for the most recent updates.

This schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions.

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

This Week in Our Collaborative

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

Monday, August 10

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

Tuesday, August 11

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

Study: Pope Leo's Encyclical 9:45am, IC Charity Dining Room

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

HR Activities Committee Mtg. (Angel Craft) 6:00pm, Nativity Hall

IC St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 6:30pm, IC St. Louis Hall

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

Wednesday, August 12

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

IC Harvest Fair Mtg. 9:45am, IC Charity Dining Room

Holy Jammers Practice 10:00am, IC Nazareth Library

Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm, Nativity Church

Pilgrim Mtg./Mass 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall/St. James Chapel

Thursday, August 13

Study: Pope Leo's Encyclical 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

Chamber Music Festival Concert (See p. 7 for details) 7:00pm, IC Church

Friday, August 14

Adoration 9:30am, IC Church

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

Saturday, August 15

Men's Cursillo Reunion Group 8:00am, St. Ann Church

Quilters Mtg. 8:30am, Nativity Hall

Confessions 3:00–3:30pm, IC Church

Chamber Music Festival Concert (See p. 7 for details) 8:00pm, 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.

Note: a blue canvas lawn chair was left behind at the 250th anniversary event at the Elks on July 12.
Please call the offices if it is yours.

Offertory Commitment Program Envelopes Error

Please note that there was an error made during the distribution of our "Increased Offertory Commitment Program" information. The envelopes that were included were mistakenly printed as "Grand Annual" envelopes. All other literature is accurate.

When we receive these "Grand Annual" envelopes, we will ensure that they will be applied to the "Increased Offertory Campaign" as planned. Please feel free to use these envelopes for that purpose.

We thank you for participating in the Increased Offertory Campaign and hope this clears up any confusion.

Our Grand Annual campaign will be held later this year.

HRIC Soup & Sandwich Program

Next delivery is Wednesday, August 12



This program delivers soup, sandwiches, and casseroles to the Good Shepherd Center in Lawrence on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month.

Sandwiches: Popular sandwich choices are peanut butter & jelly or cold cuts with cheese. Please do not use condiments. We ask that sandwiches be cut and individually wrapped, then placed in the bread wrapper. Please label the bread wrapper with the variety of sandwich inside.

Soups and Casseroles: Make your specialty soup or casserole! One-gallon soup containers as well as foil casserole pans are available in the St. Ann Church Hall on Wednesday mornings during sandwich drop off. Please label your soup or casserole donation and include any heating instructions.

Also welcome: any other goodies you can donate: cookies, powdered drink mixes, chips, granola bars, fresh fruit, etc.

Drop off is at St. Ann Church, West Newbury from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

If you would like more information or have any questions about the HRIC Soup and Sandwich program, scan the QR code.

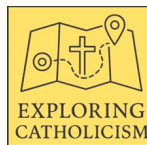


Bulletin Information

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

20 Things Church Tour

Save the Date



Are you new to Catholic worship?

Are you aware that **20 things** worldwide *distinguish* a church as Catholic?

See them all, learn their Jewish roots, marvel at why Catholic Christianity liturgically

presents:

- Closed doors to intentionally divide Narthex from Nave
- Holy Oils in the Ambry
- Jesus in the Tabernacle
- Incense in the Pascal Candle
- Holy Water in the Stoup
- Relics in the Altar Stone plus 14 more!

Open to all. Invite a friend. It's free!

PLACE: IC Church (meet at the piano)

DATE: Sunday, August 30

TIME: 12:15 p.m.–1:45 p.m.
(optional Q&A 1:45 p.m.–2:30 p.m.)

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Diaconate Ordination: Save the Date

Aaron Giard, our Collaborative's Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, along with five other men of the Archdiocese, has been called to the Sacrament of Holy Orders and will be ordained as a permanent deacon through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit by Archbishop Richard G. Henning at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2026, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston. Everyone is welcome to join Aaron, Diana, and their family at this beautiful and solemn Mass.

The Collaborative has hired a bus to attend the Mass. The bus will depart from IC Church (42 Green Street, Newburyport) on Saturday, September 12 at **8:30 a.m.**, and will return to Newburyport at approximately 1:30 p.m.

The following day, Sunday, September 13, there will be a **Mass of Thanksgiving** at the 11:30 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception Church, celebrating the newly ordained. All are welcome.



Questions of the Week



Adult: In what ways is it most difficult for you to trust in God?

Child: What is the Good News in today's Gospel?

Prayers for the Sick

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

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

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

Youth Music News

IC High School Praise Singers

The IC Praise Singers is now forming! If you are in high school and would love to sing and/or play your instrument to glorify God, *please contact Paula Quann*: youthchoir@hriccatholic.org.

The IC Praise Singers will sing contemporary hymns at the 9:00 Mass once a month. Rehearsals begin in September.



Youth Choir

Does your child love to sing? Join the IC Youth Choir!

The IC Youth Choir is for young people in the 3rd–8th grade. If your child loves to sing, it is the perfect way for them to use their gifts to glorify God and serve our church.



Youth Choir rehearsals:

Wednesdays, beginning September 16 from 4:00–5:15.

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

"Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord"

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, August 11 at 7:00 p.m.** in the IC Nazareth Library. For more information call 978-225-0804 or email kofc231@outlook.com.

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, September 3**. All are welcome! **Come join us.** Don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you!

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

250TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICA SERIES



Pope Leo XIV

The First American Pope

Robert Francis Prevost was born in 1955 in Chicago, Illinois, to Louis Marius Prevost, an educator, and Mildred Agnes Martinez, a librarian. Robert, and his two older brothers, grew up in a modest, working-class suburb of Chicago.

Robert earned his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Villanova University in 1977 and a master's degree in Divinity in 1981 from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. He studied canon law at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, earning his Licentiate in Canon Law in 1984, and his doctoral degree in Canon Law in 1987. Robert speaks five languages!

In 1981, Robert became an Augustinian friar. He was elected Prior Provincial of Chicago in 1998 and Prior General of the Augustinian Order in 2001 and 2007. Under his leadership, the Augustinian Order expanded globally and increased their mission work.

Prevost was ordained a priest in 1982 and served twenty years in Peru as a missionary, pastor, educator, and bishop. Amid violent attacks by armed guerrillas in the 1980s and 1990s, Fr. Prevost fed the hungry, sheltered refugees, found jobs for the displaced, visited the imprisoned, and cared for orphans. In 2015, he was appointed Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru serving until 2023. Fr. Prevost was appointed Archbishop and Cardinal in 2023, serving in Vatican positions until his election as pope.

On May 8, 2025, the College of Cardinals elected then-Cardinal Prevost as pope. In taking his papal name, Pope Leo XIV took his place in history as **the first American-born pope and the first Augustinian pope** to lead the Roman Catholic Church.

Pope Leo XIV is challenging the Church and the faithful to respond to the Gospel's call to care for and uphold the dignity of all people, especially the powerless, voiceless, and vulnerable. His first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* (Magnificent Humanity), maintains that human dignity and the common good must always take precedence over technological efficiency and advances, including Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Pope Leo XIV spoke his first words as pope from St. Peter's Balcony. They were the first words of the Risen Christ: "Peace be with you." He continued in his own words. "Beloved brothers and sisters,...I too would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts, reach your families, to all people, wherever they may be, to all peoples to all the earth...." With this blessing, Pope Leo XIV took up the papal staff to shepherd the 1.4 billion Catholics that God has entrusted in his care. Pope Leo XIV is the 267th pope to do so.

Summer Reading with Pope Leo XIV



Even if you missed the last time, join us this Tuesday morning or Thursday evening as we unpack Catholic social doctrine, as expounded upon by Pope Leo in *Magnifica Humanitas*.

Tuesdays, 9:45–10:45 a.m.: in IC Charity Dining Room

or

Thursdays, 6:00–7:00 p.m. in IC St. Louis Hall

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 registered, or if you are already a registered parishioner, visit our website, hricatholic.org, and click the "Links" tab to get to the Online Giving page. Questions? Contact Christine Breslow at 978-462-2724.

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. 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.

Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage



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

Spiritual Director: **Fr. George Morin**

Group Leaders: **Paul & Christine Blanchette**

Dates: **October 26–November 4, 2026***

*Optional Post Tour to **Bari**: November 4–7

We still have a few spots left on this once-in-a-lifetime tour.

Visit www.206tours.com/cms/blanchette/italy/ to learn more or to make your reservation.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Updates from Vince along *The Way*

Our summer seminarian, Vince Barcinas, is walking the Camino de Santiago.

July 26 (Day 2): Zubiri, now descending. 13.3 mi on Camino app, 14.4 mi on iPhone

July 27 (Day 3): Pamplona. 12.6mi on Camino app. iPhone distance inconclusive due to exploring Pamplona with some friends.

July 28 (Day 4): Puente la Reina. The first brutally hot day. 14.7 mi.

July 29 (Day 5): Villatuerta. Spent the evening at a convent overseen by my aunt in Daughters of St Mary of Leuca. 11.3 mi.

July 30 (Day 6): Los Arcos. Ended up deep into the forest surrounded by unknown animals at 5 a.m. *Never again!* 15.7 mi.

July 31 (Day 7): Logroño. Officially broke 100 miles since I arrived in SJPP (Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port—Gateway to the Camino Francés) on Friday (7-24-26)! 20% done. 17.2 mi.

4:00 a.m. starts to the day since it gets too hot in the afternoon to continue.

August 1 (Day 8): Nájera, 17.6 mi. To my surprise, I found a Chinese restaurant. Sadly I did not eat there.

August 2 (Day 9): Santo Domingo de la Calzada, 13.0 mi. I can confirm the chickens in the cathedral are real.

August 3 (Day 10): Belorado, 14.1 mi. Had a moment of camaraderie with an old man who gave me directions to the supermarket when I ran into him again at the same market.

August 4 (Day 11): Agés, 17.1 mi. Already left wine country, and I had just entered on Day 7 en route to Logroño.

August 5 (Day 12): Burgos, 13.9 mi. A lot of goodbyes as I prepared to leave my pilgrim group to advance ahead.

August 6 (Day 13): León, early report. I'll be travelling ahead by train to keep schedule for on-time return. Rescheduling also introduced an unexpected rest day, so will recover for a day in preparation for the next ascents. I don't have an exact number but I'm at least 125 mi away from where I started. I guess I'm getting that rest day sooner than I thought. I had to make an on the ground pilgrimage adjustment and instead of arriving in León next week I arrive there Thursday (8-6-26).

Please let everyone know I am okay, that the schedule change isn't due to danger, and I'm incredibly thankful for the prayer support that keeps me going AND the gifts that gave me the option to readjust and transfer ahead in the Camino. I haven't been worried about finding a place to stay or food because of everyone's generosity, and because everyone has been generous I've been able to be generous to those in need here. *More to come...!*



Newburyport Chamber Music Festival

HRIC is proud to host two concerts in August performed as part of the 25th anniversary of the Newburyport Chamber Music Festival. This milestone season features a distinguished roster of guest artists, including Grammy Award-winning Miró String Quartet, legendary Metropolitan Opera soprano Lucy Shelton, and classical pianist Kenny Broberg, laureate of both the Tchaikovsky and Van Cliburn international competitions. See Newburyportchambermusic.org for tickets and info.

The ten day festival includes puppetry for the family, intimate Hausmusik settings, open rehearsals and the haunting Nachtmusik.

The two concerts that will be performed at Immaculate Conception Church are on **Thursday, August 13 and Saturday, August 15**.

Newburyport Chamber Music Festival		SAT 8	SUN 9	TUE 11	WED 12	THU 13	FRI 14	SAT 15
David Yang, Artistic Director		Opening Night Concert Piano Recital*	Works in Progress/Meet the Artists 3pm - 4:30pm First Religious Society Unitarian Church 26 Pleasant St. FREE	Open Rehearsal 10am - 1pm Illume Books 10 Market Sq. FREE	Open Rehearsal 10am - 1pm Native Sun 20 Pleasant St. FREE	Concert: The Return of Jon Deak Music for Soprano and Strings 8pm	Open Rehearsal with Jon Deak 10am - 1pm NBPT Art Association 65 Water St. FREE	Concert: Twenty Five Years of NCMF
August, 2026 25th Summer Festival Calendar		7pm St Paul's Church 166 High St. Pay-as-you-can \$40 suggested	Hausmusik #2 7pm \$50 advance ticket required	Open Rehearsal 3pm - 6pm Jabberwocky Bookshop Tannery Marketplace FREE	NCMF Salon 7pm Venue disclosed upon ticket purchase. \$250 advance ticket required	Immaculate Conception 42 Green St. Pay-as-you-can \$40 suggested	Nachtmusik 8pm St Anna's Chapel at St Paul's Church 166 High St. \$50	8pm Immaculate Conception 42 Green St. Pay-as-you-can \$40 suggested *Pre-Concert Talk with Jon Deak begins at 7:15pm
Tickets and event info at newburyportchambermusic.org								

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

HR Offertory, Aug. 1–2	\$2,936.00
HR Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending July 31	\$ 320.00
HR Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$ 660.00
Total Weekly Offertory, Aug 1–2	\$3,916.00
IC Haiti, Aug. 1–2	\$1,415.00

The second collection this weekend (Aug. 8–9) is the Special Monthly. The second collection next weekend (Aug. 15–16) 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: hrccatholic.org/hr-online-giving.



HR Catholic Appeal
Goal \$27,000.00
To Date \$21,710.00

Visit bostoncatholicappeal.org to learn more or to donate.



\$27,000.00
\$20,000.00
\$15,000.00
\$10,000.00
\$ 5,000.00



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Collaborative Parishes

Activities Committee News

Upcoming Meeting



Tuesday, August 11 at 6:00 p.m. at Nativity Hall for an “angel decorating” craft night to make angels for our November fair.

Piano for Nativity Hall

We have been given a chance to purchase a very nice, slightly used piano for Nativity Hall at a greatly reduced price.

This beautiful Kawai upright is being offered to us for only \$5,000, and I think it is an opportunity too good to pass up. Retailing new for more than \$12,000, this instrument has been lovingly cared for and beautifully maintained over the years. It comes with its own humidification system, to help keep it in-tune during the drier months of the year. Any parishioner interested in making a donation to help offset this cost is invited to contact our office in the weeks ahead. Any donation checks, no matter the amount, can be made out to Holy Redeemer Parish. Many thanks for your generosity in helping our parish to be all that it can be!



HR St. Vincent de Paul

Furniture Donations?

We have received a few inquiries recently from parishioners who have furniture to donate. Our conference doesn't have the means of picking up and storing these donations so we refer them to an organization called **Mission of Deeds** based in Reading, MA.

Mission of Deeds is a volunteer-supported nonprofit that gives new beds and gently used donated furniture, kitchen items, and basic household goods, free of charge, to people leaving homelessness and others in great need. When the Holy Redeemer conference needs to provide furniture for those in our community, we turn to Mission of Deeds. When you help them, you'll be helping us!

If you have items to donate, please contact them directly via text 781-944-9797 or e-mail furniture@missionofdeeds.org. Check the link here for further information. <https://www.missionofdeeds.org/donate-goods/>

Your kind donations in any form to help our neighbors 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.

Christmas Care Packages

For Our Active-Duty Service Members from Holy Redeemer Parish

The Holy Redeemer Activities Committee would like to send festive Christmas care packages to active-duty members of the US Military.

If you have a family member or neighbor who is currently serving, we would like to send them some yuletide love and support on behalf of Holy Redeemer Parish.

Please provide us with your name, phone number, and/or email address along with the name of the active-duty service member. You may enter the information on the sign-up sheets at St. Ann and Nativity or contact Nancy Jean at (978) 363-5416 (land-line). A member of the HR Activities Committee will contact you to obtain more information about the service member including their military mailing address. We will be collecting names until the end of September.

Note: Active-duty members of the military, as well as veterans, are a protected class. Name, branch of service, address, etc. are kept confidential thus the HR Activities committee cannot obtain this information without your help! Be assured that the HR Activities Committee will also keep the information confidential.



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IC Offertory Collection

IC Offertory, Aug. 1-2	\$4,659.00
IC Mailed-in Offertory, Week Ending July 31	\$1,347.00
IC Weekly Online Offertory Giving	\$3,264.00
Total Weekly Offertory, Aug. 1-2	\$9,270.00
IC Haiti, Aug. 1-2	\$6,042.00

The second collection this weekend (Aug. 8-9) is the Special Monthly. The second collection next weekend (Aug. 15-16) is Ongoing Church Maintenance.

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

If you would like to mail in your envelopes, send them to **Immaculate Conception Parish, 42 Green Street, Newburyport, MA 01950.**

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul continues its mission of bringing hope and assistance to those in need within our parish and community. Through your generous donations and prayers, we are able to make a real difference in people's lives.

This summer, during the months of June and July we responded to 35 calls to our Help Line. We were able to assist single mothers with auto repairs, a senior woman with emergency dental needs along with several gas and electric bills and rent.

If you or someone you know is facing hardship, please reach out to us. All requests are handled with compassion and confidentiality.

☎ Helpline: 978-518-0728 (Volunteers respond to this line 24/7)

Your kindness and support make this work possible. Thank you for being the hands and heart of Christ in our community.

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Harvest Fair, October 10, 2026

Calling All Volunteers



On **Wednesday, August 12, at 9:45 a.m.**, at St. Louis Hall, there is a meeting of the Fair Committee in the dining room on the second floor. We are adding new activities and items for children and young families. We need your help and ideas to make the fair a success and fun for the whole family. Please consider joining us. Any questions, call Betty Harrington, (978) 595-7776

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