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SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY



Fourteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

July 8, 2018

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*All Are
Welcome*

*“And they took offense at him. Jesus said to them,
‘A prophet is not without honor except in his native place
and among his own kin and in his own house.’” (Mk 6:3-4)*



Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Collaborative

serving Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport & West Newbury

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

St. Ann

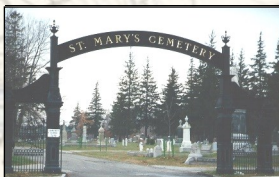
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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Collaborative Mass Schedule

Saturday (7/7)

4:00pm IC *Sandy Lambert* (Fr. McLaughlin)

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

Sunday (7/8)

7:15am IC *Sandy Lambert* (Fr. Harrison)

8:00am **Nativity** (Fr. Morin)

9:00am IC *Sandy Lambert, For the intentions of John Vaughan* (Fr. McLaughlin)

10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. Morin)

11:00am IC *Sandy Lambert* (Fr. Harrison)

Monday (7/9)

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

Tuesday (7/10)

7:15am IC (Fr. Harrison)

Wednesday (7/11)

7:15am IC (Fr. Morin)

Thursday (7/12)

7:15am IC *Regina M. Stronge* (Fr. Morin)

Friday (7/13)

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

Saturday (7/14)

4:00pm IC *Albert Vincent, Ann Murphy Walsh, Patrick & Florence Murphy* (Missionary Priest)

4:00pm **Nativity** *Armand Cormier* (Fr. Harrison)

Sunday (7/15)

7:15am IC *Regina M. Stronge* (Missionary Priest)

8:00am **Nativity** *Rick Marshall* (Fr. Harrison)

9:00am IC *For the intentions of John Vaughan* (Missionary Priest)

10:15am **St. Ann** (Fr. George)

11:00am IC (Missionary Priest)

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

The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.

IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport

Nativity—Merrimac

St. Ann—West Newbury

IC Online Giving

Please note that Online Giving via our website is available to only Immaculate Conception parishioners at this time.

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

“Garbage-in, garbage out!” In the early days of computing, this was the mantra repeated over and over again as many tried to navigate the ins and outs of data entry. Give a computer faulty information and it will spit back out faulty information. Kinda makes sense, doesn't it? To put it another way, your results are only as good as your data. Don't believe me? Just try “intentionally” misspelling a few words while texting someone and see how well auto-correct “fixes” them!

While this holds true for machines, despite their immense complexity today, how much more so with human beings? Give someone the wrong starting point, and all kinds of misunderstanding, confusion, and harm can result. Recently I watched a very disturbing video clip that showed a heated confrontation between a white woman and a Hispanic man who was doing landscaping work on a neighboring property. It showed the woman at various points referring to the man as a “rapist, an animal, and a drug dealer” simply because of his Mexican decent. (He is actually a US citizen with a college degree who works in a computer-related field most of the week.) From all that can be gleaned from the short video, her anger and confrontational stance came from profoundly-bad presuppositions and inner prejudice that blinded her to what was really going on. Her starting point was fear, mistrust, and a reduction of who someone is to what they look like. Garbage-in, garbage out.

Jesus encountered a similar problem in his time and place. Visiting his home town, he was confronted by long-time acquaintances and relatives who thought they “knew” him. They remembered him as the carpenter's son, a villager like them—no better, no worse. But he was certainly not some famous healer and worker of miracles. They had heard the stories that were circulating among neighboring towns of all the mighty deeds and incredible things he was doing: things like calming a raging storm, casting out demons, raising a little girl from the dead, and healing a woman long-suffering from a hemorrhage. This couldn't be true, they thought. We know him, he's one of us, they reasoned. And while many of Jesus' family origins have some truth to them, they, of course, fail to tell the whole story of who he is or what God is doing through him at the present moment. Their intimacy with Jesus' upbringing blinded them to the new movements of God in their midst: a God who can never be boxed-in, pigeon-holed, or “figured-out.” And so, rather than being in awe of what God was accomplishing in Christ, they instead took offense that Jesus was doing something other than carry on the

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Bulletin Information

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COLLABORATIVE NEWS

This Week in Our Collaborative

Monday, July 9

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

IC Religious Ed.: Confirmation 5:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Tuesday, July 10

Reunion Prayer Group 9:00am IC Conference Room 209

Breaking Bread Meal 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

IC Religious Ed.: Confirmation 5:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

IC St Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall

IC-Haiti Meeting 7:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

Knights of Columbus 7:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205

Wednesday, July 11

HR Sandwich Program 9:00am, St. Ann Hall

Holy Jammers Practice 9:00am, IC Conference Room 209

Holy Quilters 1:00pm, Nativity Hall

IC Religious Ed.: Confirmation 5:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Adoration 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel

Centering Prayer 6:00pm, IC Conference Room 209

HR St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm, Nativity Rectory

Thursday, July 12

IC Religious Ed.: Confirmation 5:30pm, IC Charity Dining Room

Rosary for Life 6:30pm, IC St. James Chapel

Friday, July 13

Adoration 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel

"Ask A Priest" 5:55pm, IC St. James Chapel or

6:15pm, Newburyport Boardwalk, Harbormaster's

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

Saturday, July 14

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 3:30pm, Nativity Church

Sunday, July 15

Nativity Choir Rehearsal 7:45am, Nativity Church

St. Ann Choir Rehearsal 9:45am, St. Ann Church

Baptism Class 1:00pm, IC Charity Dining Room

honorable trade of following in the family business. That he was pursuing an even greater honor of serving God and the fulfillment of all righteousness was completely lost on them. They were still stuck on what he should or should not be doing as a carpenter's son. Another Gospel writer will enhance this scene to the point where the Nazarene's were so infuriated with Jesus that they carried him to the edge of a cliff and intended to hurl him over its side.

Conclusions are only as good as the starting points, presuppositions, and information we internalize. But God is always more!

Think God is only "up there" in the sky?—you will miss an immense amount of his presence in your daily life. Think God is only there to judge right and wrong at the end of time?—you will be unaware of his great love and mercy in the present moment. Think God doesn't care about day-to-day events?—you will be shocked at how personally he takes every failure to love and care for "these least ones." Think God couldn't possibly be involved and present in situation "x, y or z"?—you will be unaware of the miracles being performed right in front of you. Reduce a human being to a category, a type or one of "them," even if the "them" is one of "us"? Well...as the saying goes, garbage-in, garbage-out.

We must stand in humble awe of the overwhelming complexity of God's creation and of the very pinnacle of that creation, we human beings who have been made in God's image. Because we have been made like God, little less than gods ourselves (from Psalm 8), there will always be an element of mystery in every person, more to every situation we encounter and subtleties to every interaction. These, when acknowledged, make room for the new things that God may be bringing about in our midst. Let's not make the same mistake the Nazarene's did millennia ago when they thought they had things all figured out. A little humility goes a long way to clearing out the refuse that can clutter our minds and will open our hearts to the grace of the present.

Wishing you peaceful summer days,

Fr. Timothy Harrison, Pastor

EWTN: Catholic News

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<http://www.ewtnnews.com/>

Volunteers Needed for Avita of Newburyport

Every Sunday, Avita of Newburyport Assisted Living brings residents to Mass at Holy Redeemer. They are in need of volunteers to escort residents from Avita to church and back on the Avita bus at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Please contact Debra Shapiro at deb@avitaofnewburyport.com or 978-225-7000.

Pilgrimage Information

We had a very successful Travel Night in June highlighting the upcoming Pilgrimage to Northern Italy that leaves in October of this year as well as the Passion Play Pilgrimage in June of 2020. Excitement is building for both of these amazing experiences! There are still a few places left on both of these trips. However, the window is closing fast on these wonderful excursions. Our next Travel Night will be Monday, July 30 and will offer final sign-up opportunities before important deadlines and cut-offs for each of these adventures. If you are interested in more information about either trip, please contact Paul Blanchette at 978-500-5661 or look online at www.pilgrimages.com/fathertim-hric.

Come on a Faith-Journey with us!

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

New Lecture Series in August

Save the Dates

3-part lecture series for August

Come for an educational and inspirational 3 evenings focused on the Eucharist: what It is, what It presumes, what It calls us to be!

Dates: Tuesdays on August 7, 14, and 21

Time: 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m. (Aug. 14 will be after the Vigil)

Location: St. Ann Hall, 300 Main Street, W. Newbury

To become intentional Catholic disciples, the laity benefits from a deeper understanding of the source and summit of our sacramental life. We look forward to engaging you in three evenings of presentations and discussions led by Fr. George Morin and AFFT (the Adult Faith Formation Team).

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer, resting silently in God, facilitates the process of inner transformation. Our prayer without words is one of intention to surrender to God's presence and action in our lives and desire for a closer relationship with God. Join us on Wednesdays, 6:00pm–7:00pm, in the IC Conference Room 209. Join us as we pray in this ancient Christian tradition and together deepen our understanding of this prayer in our own spiritual journey. For information please contact Elizabeth McCarthy, 978-462-7483.

Online Resources

Visit our **Collaborative Website**, www.hriccatholic.org for up-to-date information on groups, meetings, religious ed., Mass times, registration forms, and current events. Link to our **calendar**, **Twitter**, and **Facebook** pages, view our current and archived bulletins, find other Catholic websites, see our Get Involved tab to see how your talents can be utilized, or check out the photos section. We have so much happening in our Collaborative.

C.A.M.P.S. 2018—35th Year

July 30–August 4, 2018 for High School youth grade 9 through recently graduated seniors at Lakeside Christian Camp and Retreat Center, Pittsfield, MA.

What is C.A.M.P.S.?

C.A.M.P.S. is a ministry to youth with a three-fold mission:

1. That all participants come to a saving, personal relationship with Jesus Christ
2. That Christian community be formed and lived
3. That continued spiritual growth and commitment be fostered

C.A.M.P.S. Leadership

Fr. George Morin, 978-346-8604: Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, W. Newbury. For more information and registration, visit: campsministry.com/application

Cost: \$488 registration includes bus.

Ask A Priest

“Ask A Priest” Invites You to the Boardwalk!

The Team this week included Fr. John Kiley from Saugus and a visit from a photographer from South Korea.



A run of mosquitoes sent us running the clock out at Hodgies where the discussion to perhaps move “Ask A Priest” back to Inn Street is a possibility because people traffic is better and bugs are fewer. Watch the bulletin for which site we’re favoring in July! Fr John will be back Friday, July 13 if you’d like to meet and greet him.



If you have a few minutes Friday night, visit the evangelization Team from 6:15pm–8:15pm. Bring a friend, a question, a comment, or just linger in the briny air that invigorates the soul. If you opt to join us late or to stay until sunset—the Team does—it’s a beautiful vista worth the walk! Come once or come each night. Children and four-legged friends are welcome.

{sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team}

Irish Sunset Cruise

Ancient Order of Hibernians
Msgr. Thomas M. Lane Division #1



Proudly present **An Irish Sunset Cruise**

In connection with www.captainsfishing.com

Featuring: Songs of Ireland by Joe Leary

A 2018 Yankee Homecoming Event
Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Cruise time: 7:00–10:00pm (Boarding at 6:30pm)

Cost of admission: \$35.00 with cash bar

21 years of age or older only

Tickets available by contacting:

Dan Cleary 978-360-9603, dcaohnbpt@yahoo.com
Michael Volpone 978-479-2550, macv21@gmail.com

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Community Food Pantry

First Parish Church of Newbury Community Food Pantry, 20 High Road, Newbury, is open every Friday from 3:00pm–5:00pm for anyone in need in the Collaborative’s towns as well as Georgetown, Rowley, and Salisbury. The volunteers are very welcoming and no one is made to feel uncomfortable when visiting. No registration or proof of residency required. Fresh fruit and vegetables, many types of frozen meats, pasta, and desserts, as well as an array of canned goods, toiletries, etc. are available.

If you would like to donate, nonperishable goods, personal hygiene products, and/or pet food may be dropped off on Sunday mornings from 9:30–11:30am. Grocery store gift cards as well as cash/checks (made out to “First Parish” and write “food pantry” in the memo) are always welcome.

Questions of the Week

Adult: What does it cost you to be a follower of Jesus?

Child: In your life, how do others see that you know and love Jesus?

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.

She is happy to help our parishioners who are in need.



Look what the cat dragged in!

Continuing to make progress in his recovery, Fr. Broderick drops by for a surprise visit at the rectory this past week.

Sunday and Daily Mass Scripture Readings: July 8–15, 2018

We’re all encouraged to spend time reading the daily Scripture passages, meditating upon their meaning, and conversing with the Lord in response to His Word. In praying with the Scriptures, we have the opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Lord while discerning His ever-gracious invitation to love as He loves us. Praying with the Scriptures daily is one sure way to become a more intentional disciple of Christ.

		1st Reading	Psalms	2nd Reading	Gospel
Sunday	July 8	Ezekiel 2:2-5	Psalms 123	2 Corinthians 12: 7-10	Mark 6:1-6a
Monday	July 9	Hosea 2:16, 17c-18,21-22	Psalms 145		Matthew 9:18-26
Tuesday	July 10	Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13	Psalms 115		Matthew 9:32-38
Wednesday	July 11	Hosea 10:1-3,7-8, 10	Psalms 105		Matthew 10:1-7
Thursday	July 12	Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9	Psalms 80		Matthew 10:7-15
Friday	July 13	Hosea 14:2-10	Psalms 51		Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday	July 14	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalms 93		Matthew 10:24-33
Sunday	July 15	Amos 7:12-15	Psalms 85	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:7-13

Please refer to the HRIC webpage to learn about **Lectio Divina** as a way of praying the Scriptures. Go directly to <http://www.hricatholic.org/blog/lectio-divina> or go to www.HRICatholic.org and click on HRIC Pastoral Plan and then click on Lectio Divina.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IC Offertory Collection

The second collection this weekend is the Monthly. The second collection next weekend is Mission Cooperative

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society



Collection	\$ 40.50
Poor Box	\$ 205.00
Total	\$ 245.50

IC Haiti

Since 2009, you have been more than generous and consistently faithful in your support of IC Haiti. Over the years you have shared your financial resources to provide medical supplies and services, clean water sources, a school and emergency shelter, an educational program and staff, a daily lunch program for school children, a dental program for school families, and relief services following a major earthquake and a devastating hurricane. The gratitude of the people IC Haiti serves in Puit Chacha and its surrounding region is unbounded. IC Haiti, through your generosity, has provided this community, and especially its children, with a concrete message of love in their daily lives and a vision of hope for the future.

As the sole financial support for the Fr. Marc Piché Elementary School in Puit Chacha, IC Haiti has been encouraged by our pastor, Fr. Tim Harrison, to take up four collections each year. This year our second and third collections happen to be scheduled only seven weeks apart. Thank you for your donations on the weekend of June 2–3. Our next collection is right around the corner: the weekend of July 21–22. We hope you won't find the proximity of these two collections discouraging. Our last collection will take place sometime in November or December, and our annual bill for the 2018–19 school year in Puit Chacha will be due sometime in late August or early September. Next week we will offer you an overview of IC Haiti's finances.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Newburyport Council 231 was founded in 1897. If you are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protections for you or your family, or just connecting with other Catholic men, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

We welcome new members to this long-standing group of Catholic men. For more information, contact us at (978) 572-0231, membership@kofc231.org.

The next monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Tuesday, July 10** at 7:30pm in the IC Nazareth Library, Room 205.

Immaculate Conception School



Developing a sense of community is something we plan for with purpose at the IC. Just hours before our 8th grade students graduated, we held a school-wide yearbook signing event in the gym.

Every student participated, some with purchased yearbooks, and others with autograph pages—each approaching members of the school community for their “John Hancock.” Fourth grade student Maddox Moscardini was the DJ for the event—custom-mixing background music using his iPad and sound mixer. Students, faculty, and staff had a great time signing yearbooks, enjoying each other's company, and bopping to the awesome tunes!

Consolers Circle Meal

The IC community offers a light meal to families who have lost a loved one. The meal, provided by volunteers, is held in St. Louis Hall following the funeral Mass. Our hall holds up to 75 people, and there is no charge for this service. Donations are accepted. Inform the funeral director that you request this service when making arrangements.

Breaking Bread

The Breaking Bread dinner program is in need of a dedicated volunteer to help in the kitchen once or twice per month. We serve every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. The time commitment would be no more than 2 hours. Cooks and servers are doing well, but the very small group that keeps the kitchen sink area clean and organized needs help.

We are a “family” of happy and caring volunteers. **You** would be blessed to be a part of our group. We always leave the Parish Center happy to be a part of such a wonderful group of “kitchen angels.” Please join us!

Contact: “Bunny” Chiasson, Co-coordinator for the St. Vincent de Paul Breaking Bread dinner. 978-465-5810 or sandbunnyc@yahoo.com.

IC Online Giving

Immaculate Conception Parish provides 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. (At this time, Online Giving is available for only IC members.) Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office. Once you register, visit our website, hriccatholic.org and click the “Links” tab, then click on “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, IC Administrative Assistant 978-462-2724 x7404.

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IC Religious Education

Amoris Laetitia...Pope Francis

Pope Francis released the Exhortation on the Family. We continue to review the various statements from the Holy Father.

A Big Heart: In #196: In addition to the small circle of the couple and their children, there is the larger family, which cannot be overlooked. Indeed, “the love between husband and wife and, in a derivative and broader way, the love between members of the same family—between parents and children, brothers and sisters and relatives and members of the household—is given life and sustenance by an unceasing inner dynamism leading the family to ever deeper and more intense communion, which is the foundation and soul of the community of marriage and the family.” Friends and other families are part of this larger family, as well as communities of families who support one another in their difficulties, their social commitments, and their faith.

IC Summer Religious Ed. Programs

Religious Education is here!!! Next religious education session is July 23–27 on the Creed. Monday–Wednesday 9:00am–3:00pm, Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm (includes 4:00pm Family Mass followed by a cookout), and Friday 9:00am–2:00pm. Cost: \$175/person. Parent Letter and registration online: hricatholic.org/IC-Children-s-Religious-Education

Our **Collaborative MS Mission week** for grades 7–8 is full. We will be working together the week of July 16–20 from 9:00am–4:00pm. Time will flex with visits to different agencies. We are doing a wait list for enrollment. This is an alternative Religious Education and service learning experience for IC youth. Cost: \$200/includes transportation to and from agencies. hricatholic.org/IC-Youth-Religious-Education.

Baptism

Baptism info.: www.hricatholic.org/Baptism

Please pre-register for the class.

July 15 Parent Class—Charity Dining Room 1:00pm
July 22 Group Baptism—IC Church 1:00pm

Confirmation

Confirmation Years 1 and 2: Please be working on your service activities. You need 24 hours over a two-year period.

Confirmation Orientation for Parents for the Summer process: Sunday, July 8 from 10–11am in St. Louis Hall.

This meeting is for Year 1 parents, Year 2 Catholic School parents, and Year 2 parents new to the process at IC. If your candidate was in the IC process last year, you do not need to attend the orientation again.

Summer Confirmation Sessions for Years 1 and 2 are scheduled for July 9–12 from 5:30–8:00pm. We begin our Confirmation sessions this week: please pray for our candidates as they discover more about the role of the Holy Spirit. Cost: Year 1—\$175 and Year 2—\$200 includes retreat. Registration information is found online:

hricatholic.org/Confirmation-Immaculate-Conception-Parish.

IC Church Hours

During the summer, Immaculate Conception Church will remain open until 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Pre-Planning/At-Need Burial Space

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.

Adoration

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in IC's St. James Chapel on Fridays from 8:00am–12:00noon.

Celebrating the Sacraments

Reconciliation

IC: Saturdays: 3:00pm to 3:30pm or by appointment.

HR: Saturdays before the 4:00pm Mass or by appointment.

Baptism

Call the Parish offices for information and to register.

Marriage

Archdiocesan guidelines request that couples planning to marry in the Church contact the church at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick

This Sacrament should not be seen as only administered when there is danger of death. Please call us if someone is in the hospital, so that we can visit the loved one and have the community pray for them.

Newburyport VIP Card

Help Support Immaculate Conception Church

We encourage folks to spend a few minutes to familiarize themselves with the 180 local businesses in Newburyport and surrounding towns that offer discounts through the Newburyport App/VIP Card Program. This is a great way to save money **every time** you visit participating businesses and it is a simplistic fundraising opportunity for our church. If you decide to make a purchase we ask that you please support Immaculate Conception. View discounts at <https://www.newburyport.com/newburyport-vip/> or you can download the Newburyport App, and select “VIP Discounts.” You can purchase one Card for \$25 or two for \$40, and \$10 of your purchase is donated to **Immaculate Conception Church**. Use the following link to make your purchase:

<https://www.newburyport.com/immaculate-conception-church/>.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

HR Offertory Collection

Offertory, June 30–July 1 \$2,998.00
Mission Co-Operative \$2,158.00

The second collection this weekend is the Monthly.



Catholic Appeal

Goal \$22,862.00
To Date \$19,835.00



\$22,862
\$15,000
\$10,000
\$5,000

We are pleased to share that Holy Redeemer has raised \$19,835.00 toward the parish goal of \$22,862.00. Thank you to all who have already pledged support. If you have yet to give, we need your help! Please give today to help us reach our goal. Gifts can be made online at bostoncatholicappeal.org or by completing a pledge form available in the backs of the churches.

HR St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you are writing a check for us, please write the check to HR Saint Vincent de Paul to help expedite our banking.

HR Prayer Shawl



Do you know of any woman, man, or child who needs comfort and could use a Blessed Prayer Shawl or Lap Blanket? Please call Helen Kelley 978-771-4673 or Terry Duhamel 978-384-8099 for a shawl or more information.

Come join us. Don't know how? We will teach you to knit or crochet and give you yarn. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at Nativity Hall, Merrimac at 1:00pm. Our next meeting is **Thursday, August 2**.

Newburyport VIP Card

Help Support Holy Redeemer Parish

We encourage folks to spend a few minutes to familiarize themselves with the 180 local businesses in Newburyport and surrounding towns that offer discounts through the Newburyport App/VIP Card Program. This is a great way to save money **every time** you visit participating businesses and it is a simplistic fundraising opportunity for our parish.

If you decide to make a purchase we ask that you please support Holy Redeemer.

View discounts at www.newburyport.com/newburyport-vip/ or you can download the Newburyport App, and select "VIP Discounts." You can purchase one card for \$25 or two for \$40, and \$10 of your purchase is donated to **Holy Redeemer Parish**. Use the following link to make your purchase:

www.newburyport.com/holy-redeemer-parish/.

HR Religious Education

Rel. Ed. Families, you can find our registration form online: hriccatholic.org. Click the Faith Formation tab, then Holy Redeemer tab. Please submit forms to the office by **July 15**, Attn: Doreen O'Leary, Holy Redeemer Parish.

Class schedules are still being worked on, but will appear by grade when finished.

Confirmation

Incoming 11th graders who have completed grade 9 and 10 classes: your **Retreat Day** is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 16 at the hall in Merrimac from 11:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. (lunch is included). Please bring cash or check in the amount of \$25.00 made out to Holy Redeemer for the robe rental fee. The robes are worn during the Confirmation Mass.

Confirmation Rehearsal is Wednesday, September 26 at St. Ann Church in West Newbury at 7:00 p.m. Please attend with your sponsor, if possible, or a parent.

Confirmation Mass(es) are at St. Ann Church at 1:00 p.m. and a smaller group at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, **September 29, 2018**. Bishop Hennessey will be presiding at both celebrations. If any Candidates, Sponsors, or Parents would like to serve during the Mass, let me know on Retreat Day. Also, in a few weeks, I will email the Bishop's guidelines for the letter that must be completed and turned in on Retreat Day. Attendance for all of the above is mandatory.

Contact Info: Office of Religious Education

Doreen O'Leary (Rel. Ed. email: reledhrp@gmail.com)

Saturday Mass at Nativity

Please remember that our Saturday 4:00pm Mass will move to **Nativity** in Merrimac on **July 14**.

HR Sandwich Program

The Holy Redeemer Sandwich Program delivers soup/salad and sandwiches to the Lazarus House Ministry twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. The sandwiches go to the Good Shepherd Center on Park Street in Lawrence. 200 sandwiches are needed each day to feed the hungry.



We are always in need of more sandwich donations. To help, please make sandwiches by using 1 loaf of bread and sandwich meat (**No condiments added**), individually wrap the sandwiches and place them back into the bread bag. Deliver the bread bag to St. Ann Church, West Newbury, by **9:00 a.m.** on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The next sandwich delivery date is **Wednesday, July 11**.

See the Collaborative calendar at www.hriccatholic.org for the schedule. Contact Dotty Carr at 978-363-2909 with questions.