

# HOLY REDEEMER AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

SERVING MERRIMAC, NEWBURY, NEWBURYPORT, AND WEST NEWBURY

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2017

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“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” (Mt. 11:29-30)

*All Are Welcome*

# OUR COLLABORATIVE

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## Immaculate Conception Parish



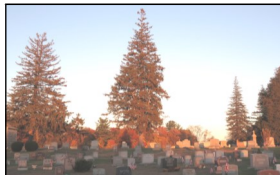
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# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Collaborative Mass Schedule

### Saturday (7/8)

4:00pm **IC** *Ronald Lech* (Fr. Morin)

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

### Sunday (7/9)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Broderick)

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

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

10:15am **St. Ann** *Daniel F. Lynch* (Fr. Harrison)

11:00am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

### Monday (7/10)

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

### Tuesday (7/11)

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

### Wednesday (7/12)

7:15am **IC** *Regina M. Stronge, For the intentions of Rozalia Benca* (Fr. Morin)

### Thursday (7/13)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Morin)

### Friday (7/14)

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

### Saturday (7/15)

4:00pm **IC** *Albert Vincent* (Fr. Harrison)

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

### Sunday (7/16)

7:15am **IC** (Fr. Broderick)

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

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

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

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

In your prayers please remember all the faithful departed.

***The priests' schedule is subject to change without notice.***

*IC—Immaculate Conception, Newburyport*

*Nativity—Merrimac*

*St. Ann—West Newbury*

## Flatbed, Truck Needed

The Pelican Intervention Fund will be marching in this year's Yankee Homecoming Parade on August 6. We are in need of a truck and flatbed for our float. If you can help us, please contact Nancy Laverty at [603 489-3751](tel:6034893751).

## From the Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

A yoke is a curious piece of farm equipment that before the mechanized age of tractors was as common as a bucket or shovel. Usually made of wood, it was used to connect together several large animals such as oxen or cattle so they could pull in unison, adding their strength together for plowing a field or moving a heavy object. It is interesting this weekend that Jesus invokes this image when speaking of Himself and being a part of His Kingdom. It also calls to mind that in following Him, there will be some burden to bear, some weight to carry.

About five years ago when I was privileged to travel to Haiti for the dedication of the Fr. Marc Piché School in Puit Cha Cha, I witnessed a woman carrying two large buckets of water, connected together by a yoke across her neck and shoulders. I was told that the closest source of clean drinking water was many miles away, and that she had to make this journey at least once a day to provide for her family. Now there was a burden to bear! We take clean water for granted, whenever we turn on the spigot. Can you imagine having to carry the water you use each day on your shoulders, every day, for miles? Just to drink, or wash, or cook with?

In a similar fashion, the people of Jesus' time were burdened by having to carry heavy interpretations of God's Law on their shoulders. The Pharisees and Scribes held close to a strict interpretation of God's commandments, but they also added in their own teachings, to sort-of surround (and protect?) God's Law with additional rules and customs, so that in being attentive to these, there was no chance that one would ever violate the core of the Law of God. But over time, with the Scribes and Pharisees as the

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## Rome Pilgrimage Information Night

Are you interested in finding out more about our Collaborative's planned pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi this fall? Join us on **Monday, July 10** for an evening of prayer, food and fun as we anticipate this upcoming adventure of faith. We will begin the evening with a brief Mass at 6:30 pm in St. James Chapel at the Immaculate Conception Parish Pastoral Center Building, followed by an Italian-themed pot-luck dinner and information session.



Please RSVP to Paul and Christine Blanchette at (978) 500-5661 if you are able to attend so we can plan for food. All are welcome! Come journey to the Eternal City and beyond with us!

## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### This Week in Our Collaborative

Visit [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org) and click on the calendar for details on all Collaborative activities.

#### Monday, July 10

**Vacation Bible School** 9:00am, Nativity Hall  
**Middle School Mission Week** 10:00am, IC Parish Center  
**AA Meeting** 10:30am & 7:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205  
**Rome Travel Meeting & Mass** 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel/  
St. Louis Hall

#### Tuesday, July 11

**Vacation Bible School** 9:00am, Nativity Hall  
**Middle School Mission Week** 9:00am, IC Parish Center  
**Prayer Group** 3:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205  
**HR Capital Campaign Meeting** 4:00pm, Nativity Church  
**Breaking Bread Meal** 5:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall  
**IC St. Vincent de Paul Meeting** 6:00pm, IC St. Louis Hall  
**HR Capital Campaign Meeting** 7:00pm, Nativity Church  
**HR St. Vincent de Paul Meeting** 7:00pm, Nativity Rectory  
**Knights of Columbus** 7:30pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205

#### Wednesday, July 12

**Middle School Mission Week** 8:00am, IC Parish Center  
**Vacation Bible School** 9:00am, Nativity Hall  
**HR Sandwich Program** 9:00am, St. Ann Hall  
**Holy Quilters** 2:30pm, Nativity Hall  
**Adoration** 6:00pm, IC St. James Chapel  
**Centering Prayer** 6:00pm, IC Nazareth Library Room 205

#### Thursday, July 13

**Vacation Bible School** 9:00am, Nativity Hall  
**Middle School Mission Week** 10:00am, IC Parish Center  
**Rosary for Life** 6:30pm, IC St. James Chapel

#### Friday, July 14

**Adoration** 8:00am, IC St. James Chapel  
**Vacation Bible School** 9:00am, Nativity Hall  
**Middle School Mission Week** 10:00am, IC Parish Center  
**Ask a Priest** 6:00pm, Inn Street, Newburyport  
**AA Meeting** 7:00pm, IC Nazareth Library, Room 205

#### Saturday, July 15

**HR Capital Campaign Meeting** 9:00am, Nativity Church  
**St. Ann Choir Rehearsal** 3:30pm, St. Ann Church

#### Sunday, July 16

**Nativity Choir Rehearsal** 7:45am, Nativity Church  
**St. Ann Choir Rehearsal** 9:45am, St. Ann Church  
**Baptisms** 1:00pm, IC Church

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ones who were the authorities in understanding the law and all it required, these human traditions became hard to distinguish from what God had clearly ordained, and the average person was very heavily taxed trying to keep all of them and avoid falling into an objective state of sin.

Jesus had deep compassion for those who were honestly struggling to do what is right, all the while also struggling with simply eking out an existence in what was mostly a subsistence living at best. His yoke was to lift much of these human customs and invite his followers to love God and love neighbor, seeing these as the true burdens of God's Law. To be fair, these can be heavy tasks at times—true love is not always easy, convenient, or simple. It is often awkward, undefined, and painful. It is regularly challenging, frustrating, and sometimes heartbreaking. And at the same time, love is a joyful burden that we would not wish away. Love defines us most as human beings, as it is the closest we can ever get in our flesh to being like our Creator. Easy? Light? Compared to the misery and hopelessness of sin and death, yes. For love, we human beings have endured the unendurable, traveled the greatest distances, and overcome the deepest divisions. For applying ourselves to this tireless pursuit, Jesus promises us rest. May we learn well how to follow His lead. Oh, and by the way, a yoke means we share the burden with others. That means we never have to go it alone!

Summer Blessings,

Fr. Tim Harrison, Pastor

### “Ask a Priest”

You are needed on the Friday evenings of this summer, until September 1, 2017, from 6:00–8:30 p.m. on the Inn Street pedestrian way in Newburyport.



Our plan is to have a priest present to answer questions people might have in a one-on-one setting plus other members of the Parishes present to talk about their faith and to perhaps have some literature explaining all the many services and opportunities the Catholic Church has to offer.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call Father George, 978-462-2724. Prayerfully consider becoming part of the outreach. We need you.

### C.A.M.P.S. 2017—34th Year

July 31–August 5, 2017 for High School Youth grade 9 through recently graduated seniors at Lakeside Christian Camp and Retreat Center, Pittsfield, MA.

For more information and registration, visit:

<http://www.campsministry.com/application.html>

Cost: \$478 registration and bus. PayPal available for an extra fee.

### Catholic Night at Fenway

Join other local Catholics at Fenway for Catholic Night on Tuesday, July 17 vs the Blue Jays. To order tickets, visit <http://m.mlb.com/redsox/tickets/theme-tickets/catholic>.

# COLLABORATIVE NEWS

## Scripture Study

Scripture Study will meet on July 9



Father Broderick's Scripture Study will not meet on its regular 1st and 3rd Sundays in July due to July 4th weekend but will meet at 2:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, July 9 and 23. We will continue to read and discuss the *Acts of the Apostles*, Chapters 7 through 11.

A gifted teacher, Father Broderick not only explains the meaning of the Scripture passages, but also presents rich description of the period and places cited, as well as the culture and practices of the people involved. He connects the events in the New Testament to Old Testament prophecies and events, as well as to our own time. This is a worthwhile way to spend an hour and fifteen minutes on a Sunday afternoon. All members of the Collaborative are invited to attend these sessions and grow in knowledge and faith.

## Centering Prayer

Welcome All Members of Our Collaborative Family

Please join us on Wednesdays from 6:00pm–7:00pm in the IC Nazareth Library to learn more about this simple yet powerful prayer practice.

The daily practice of 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. As God moves us closer to him, through our daily discipline of silent prayer, we find our focus turns from self to God and we are blessed with the fruits of Centering Prayer.

Please consider joining 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 or visit our website at <http://www.hriccatholic.org/Get-Involved>.

## 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 Office 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.

## IMMACULATE

## CONCEPTION SCHOOL

### Best Wishes, Mrs. Reardon, Hello, Mrs. Sullivan

At the end of last month, the Immaculate Conception School Community bid a fond farewell to Mrs. Mary Reardon, who has served as our Principal for the past 11 years. During her tenure, Mary brought many innovations and improvements to our school, including guiding the school through its 10-year accreditation for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, introducing and fostering the development of many technology-related curricula, as well as supporting and enabling the school's well-respected sports program to blossom. Through her own initiative, Mary enabled a satellite Master's Degree program from Endicott College to run from our building, helping several of our teachers to achieve their Master's Degree in Education. In all things, Mary brought her deep, personal faith to bear on the task of helping our children grow and flourish each day. As she retires from her position and moves on to other pursuits, we wish her well in all that she does. She will be greatly missed!

This past week, however, we are very pleased to welcome to our school community and staff, Mrs. Joan Sullivan who is our new Principal for this coming year. Joan comes to us from New Jersey, where she was previously Principal of a Catholic School. She brings a tremendous amount of energy, enthusiasm, and passion with her. We look forward to sharing in the blessings of her leadership and considerable gifts in the months ahead!

## 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](mailto:deb@avitaofnewburyport.com) or 978-225-7000.

## Collaborative Online

Visit our **Collaborative Website**, [www.hriccatholic.org](http://www.hriccatholic.org) for up-to-date information on groups, meetings, religious ed., Mass times, and current events. See our new, expanded calendar; view our current and archived bulletins; link to other Catholic websites; or check out the updated photos section. We have so much happening.

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Offertory Collection

The second collection this weekend is the Monthly. The second collection next weekend is the Mission Cooperative Appeal. Bishop Robert Hennessey will be the Mission Co-Op Appeal representative for The Missionary Society of St. James the Apostle.

Founded by Cardinal Cushing in 1958, members of the Society are diocesan priests, from English speaking countries, who work with the exceptionally poor in Peru and Ecuador. Please be as generous as your means allow to help those less fortunate. For more information on the Society of St. James please visit their website: [www.socstjames.com](http://www.socstjames.com).

## Offertory Renewal Program

Thank you to all those participating in our recent Increased Offertory Renewal Appeal. The results are extremely positive with many families participating by returning a Commitment Card.

It is not too late to participate. There are additional materials in the church. Please return your "Commitment Card" as soon as possible by mail or place it in the collection at Mass next weekend. Your participation in this effort helps our parish meet our growing financial obligations. Please consider a new giving level that is best suited to your circumstances. This will allow our parish to plan accurately for the future.

Thank you again to those individuals and families who have participated. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## 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. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or at the parish office. Once you register, visit our website, [riccatholic.org](http://riccatholic.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.

## Alzheimer's Quilt Winner

The winner of this year's Alzheimer's quilt is Dwayne Colly of CO. He is the son of Dale Bob's sister Linda who has been living with Alzheimer's since 2008. So far this year, with quilt and our trail race, we have raised \$7,039. Since we began our effort in 2006 our total is over \$118,000 to help end Alzheimer's. Thank you to all who supported our quilt drawing.

*Dale and Dale Eckert*

## New Liturgical Vessels for Immaculate Conception Parish

For many years now, we have been blessed with the use of several pewter and metal liturgical vessels that have been donated to our parish. They have been used very well to share the Lord's Body and Blood at thousands of masses over the years, but are now at the end of their useful life and must be retired.

We are inviting parishioners to help us purchase a new set of metal vessels that will hopefully serve us well in the decades ahead. Donations are now being received for memorials in the names of loved ones which can be inscribed on each vessel. For more information, please contact our office at 978-462-2724 for availability and pricing. Thank you for your generosity in helping our parish minister the Lord's presence to our community and beyond!



small ciborium/bowl



small chalice



large community paten

## Pre-Planning/At-Need Burial Space

Immaculate Conception Parish owns and operates a private cemetery located on Storey Avenue. St. Mary 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.

## IC Church Hours

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

## IC-Haiti

Fellow Parishioners, please continue your financial and prayerful support for our Haitian brothers and sisters in Christ. Because of your generosity, IC-Haiti has been able to meet its ongoing commitment to the school aged children of Puit Chacha as well as to support medical, nutritional, dental, and emergency relief services provided by the Saint Boniface Haiti Foundation to the people of south-central Haiti. On the weekend of July 22–23 the second collection will be taken up for IC-Haiti. Thank you for choosing to "see" the people of Haiti throughout the eyes of Christ.

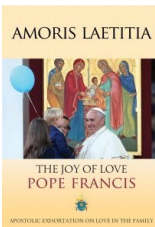
# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## 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.

**Love is not irritable or resentful.** In #104: The Gospel tells us to look to the log in our own eye (cf. Mt 7:5). Christians cannot ignore the persistent admonition of God's word not to nurture anger: "Do not be overcome by evil" (Rm 12:21). "Let us not grow weary in doing good" (Gal 6:9). It is one thing to sense a sudden surge of hostility and another to give into it, letting it take root in our hearts: "Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger" (Eph 4:26). My advice is never to let the day end without making peace in the family. "And how am I going to make peace? By getting down on my knees? No! Just by a small gesture, a little something, and harmony within your family will be restored. Just a little caress, no words are necessary. But do not let the day end without making peace in your family".<sup>112</sup> Our first reaction when we are annoyed should be one of heartfelt blessing, asking God to bless, free and heal that person. "On the contrary bless, for to this you have been called, that you may obtain a blessing" (1 Pet 3:9). If we must fight evil, so be it; but we must always say "no" to violence in the home.



### Baptism

Baptism info: <http://www.hricatholic.org/Baptism>

July 9 Parent Class—Charity Dining Room 1:00pm  
July 16 Group Baptism—IC Church 1:00pm

### Confirmation

**Summer Confirmation session** is July 17–20 from 5:30–8:00pm for Grades 9 and 10. More information and registration is available online:

<http://www.hricatholic.org/Confirmation--Immaculate-Conception-Parish>

**School Year Confirmation sessions** will begin in the fall once a month on Sunday 1:00–3:00pm. For information and registration go online:

<http://www.hricatholic.org/Confirmation--Immaculate-Conception-Parish>

### First Eucharist

Registrations for 2017–2018 First Reconciliation and Eucharist will be available on the website in August.

## Breaking Bread

St. Vincent de Paul's Breaking Bread dinner program at Immaculate Conception is hoping you will share a little of your time and talents as we need a team of two volunteers to prepare and cook for our guests on a Tuesday of your choice. A seasoned volunteer chef will work with you as you gain experience in our kitchen. This is a truly wonderful experience that you will share with a great team of volunteers. Contact Bunny Chiasson, 978-465-5810 or [sandbunnyc@yahoo.com](mailto:sandbunnyc@yahoo.com).

## IC Summer Religious Education Classes

Grades 1–8: Summer registration is available. Forms can be downloaded from the website:

Gr. 1–6: <http://www.hricatholic.org/IC-Children-s-Religious-Education>

Gr. 7–8: <http://www.hricatholic.org/IC-Youth-Religious-Education>

Please be sure to complete a *Catechetical Events Log Sheet* to be eligible to participate in the Summer program. It needs to be submitted prior to the start of the program. We just completed our first week of summer religious education. Thank you to all our volunteers and learners. Keep on delving into the scriptures to learn about God's Holy Word. We are beginning our second of two **programs for Gr 1-8**: July 24–28. Monday–Thursday 9:00am–3:00pm and Friday 9:00am–1:00pm. Cost: \$175/student. Deadline to register: July 9.

**New this summer: a Collaborative MS Mission Week:** July 10–14 for grades 7–8 youth. Schedule is as follows: Monday 10am–4pm, Tuesday 9am–4pm, Wednesday 8am–4pm, Thursday 10am–4pm, and Friday 10:00am–6:00pm. We begin our first MS Mission week on Monday. Please pray for our missionary disciples as we seek to learn how to put God's Words into action. We will be serving at the following agencies: Little Sisters of the Poor, Somerville, Pettingill House, and Our Neighbor's Table.

### Youth Mass—September 24, 2017

Our next Youth Mass is Sunday, September 24 at Nativity, Merrimac at 5:00pm.

## Knights of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus Newburyport Council 231 was founded in 1897. We welcome new members to this long-standing group of Catholic men. 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](mailto:membership@kofc231.org).

The next monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Tuesday, July 11** at 7:30pm in the IC Nazareth Library, Room 205.

## IC Boy Scouts

Immaculate Conception charts Boy Scout Troop 21. The troop will meet Sunday evenings starting again in the fall at the Immaculate Conception School (IC) Cafeteria, Newburyport from 5:30–7:30 p.m. If anyone is interested in learning more about the troop or joining, please check out the Troop 21 website at [www.nbptroop21.org](http://www.nbptroop21.org). Also check out the Parish website calendar for meeting dates, [www.hricatholic.org](http://www.hricatholic.org). All faiths are welcome.

# HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

## “With One Voice”

### HR Capital Campaign

Father Tim has highlighted the need to make some substantial repairs and improvements to both of our church properties. Many of you are aware that for some time now, we have had a number of maintenance needs that have gone unaddressed, and it is now time that we attend to these before they become much larger and more expensive projects.

Our community will be hosting a series of capital campaign **receptions** to share more personally with you the work to be completed and our fundraising plan. Watch for a special invitation to be sent to all registered parishioners in the weeks ahead. Please select a location, date, and time that is most convenient for you.

### Upcoming Receptions

*Save the Date*

**Tuesday, July 11**

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Nativity Church)

**Saturday, July 15**

9:00 a.m. (Nativity Church)

**Thursday, July 20**

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

## 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. Our next meeting is Thursday, August 3 at 1:00 p.m.

## Boy Scout Chicken Bar-B-Q

Troop 41 will be holding its annual Chicken Bar-B-Q fundraiser on August 12 at the Merrimac Fire Department. Tickets are on sale now for \$10 each and can be purchased from any of the scouts of Troop 41. Scouts will be available after some Masses. Thank you for your support.

## Wine Tasting Social

Save the date: Saturday, September 30 from 6:30pm–9:30pm in the Nativity Hall. Watch the bulletin for more information coming soon.

## Wine Tasting Organizational Meeting

All Are Welcome to join the Activities Committee at the next organizational meeting on Wednesday, July 26th at 7:00pm in Merrimac. We will be discussing the Wine Tasting Social/fundraiser for Holy Redeemer.

## HR Religious Education

### 2017–18 Religious Ed.

Needed for the Rel. Ed. Program: A 3rd Grade teacher is needed for Sunday morning classes beginning in September, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass in Merrimac. Please contact Doreen O’Leary if you have any questions, or to volunteer. Thanks.

Some schedules and class syllabi are now online and in the calendar. More will be added soon. Keep checking back.

Incoming **First Graders** need to be registered for the Holy Redeemer Religious Ed. program. Please download our registration form online: [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org), click Faith Formation, then the Holy Redeemer tab.

Group emails have been sent to all of our Religious Ed. families to register now for the fall.

The Registration Forms for Religious Ed. are one per family. Please include your Confirmation Candidate (if applicable) on the family form. (Remember this student need only pay \$25 for their robe rental fee.)

### Contact info: Office of Religious Education

Doreen O’Leary (Rel. Ed. email: [reledhrp@gmail.com](mailto:reledhrp@gmail.com), or for forms to register for the fall: [hricatholic.org](http://hricatholic.org). (click the Faith Formation tab, then the Holy Redeemer tab).

## HR Scholarship Recipient

Congratulations to Maureen Quinn who will be receiving this year’s Holy Redeemer Scholarship. Maureen is planning on attending Emmanuel College in Boston this coming fall, majoring in biology.

## 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’s 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 12**. See the Collaborative calendar at [www.hricatholic.org](http://www.hricatholic.org) for the schedule or contact Dotty Carr at 978-363-2909 with questions.

## HR St. Vincent de Paul Society

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



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## Local Young Adult Event

### 1st Annual Beach Day with JESUS aCROSS the Border

Join us Friday, August 18, 2017 at Star of the Sea Beach Chapel, Salisbury, from 8:00am–midnight. All adults, age 18–35 are invited.

JESUS aCROSS the Border, the umbrella organization uniting over 17 different young adult Catholic groups, hosts this entire day at the beach. The church is providing free parking, access to the beach, and facilities starting at 8:00am.

Our usual evening event begins at 7:30pm with Eucharist Adoration, and Praise & Worship lead by Soulfest musician, Kyle Erickson and Angelique Bolduc of LIFT Ministries. Fr. Chris Wallace joins us again as the main Mass celebrant at 9:00pm and following Mass we will have a beach pizza social. This is a fantastic opportunity for the over 17 Catholic young adult groups to network with one another.

Please email Billy Beauchesne with any questions at [JESUSaCROSStheBorder@gmail.com](mailto:JESUSaCROSStheBorder@gmail.com) or visit our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/JESUSaCROSStheBorder> for more information.

## Questions of the Week

**Adult:** From what weariness or burden does your faith relieve you?

**Child:** What do you think Jesus wants to tell you when He says: “learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart.”

## The Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends of Greater Newburyport provides support for bereaved families after the loss of a child, grandchild or sibling—any age, any cause. Our monthly support meetings are held in the IC Conference Room 209 from 7:30–9:00pm on the 4th Monday of the month. The next meeting is **July 24**. Questions? Contact Barbara J. Hopkinson, founder and chapter leader, [info@abutterflysjourney.org](mailto:info@abutterflysjourney.org) or 617-410-6309.

## Scripture for the Week

**9 Sun** Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30  
**10 Mon** Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26  
**11 Tue** Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38  
**12 Wed** Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Mt 10:1-7  
**13 Thu** Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15  
**14 Fri** Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23  
**15 Sat** Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33  
**16 Sun** Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

## Preparing for Mass

Visit <http://liturgy.slu.edu> to read this weekend’s Scripture, historical and theological commentaries, and prayerful reflections. It is a great way to get ready to hear and respond to God’s Word.

## Virtus: Protecting God’s Children

Now is the time to reserve a place in one of the upcoming Virtus classes in the Archdiocese.

Local summer and fall classes are listed below. To register for any of these classes or to see a list of other locations, visit [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Click on “First Time Registrant” and then “View a List of Sessions.”

### Sacred Hearts Church Hall (Bradford/Haverhill)

Sunday, August 27, 12:45–2:45pm

Wednesday, September 6, 6:00–8:00pm

Tuesday, September 19, 6:00–8:00pm

Thursday, September 28, 9:30–11:30am

### St. Lucy (Methuen)

Saturday, September 9, 9:00am–12:00noon

Thursday, October 12, 6:30–9:30pm

## 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.

## LIFT Ministries

Join LIFT Ministries for their 11 year anniversary celebration on Saturday, August 19 at the Outdoor Chapel of the La Salette Shrine, 947 Park Street, Attleboro. MA begins at 4:00pm, followed by a BBQ. LIFT celebration begins at 7:00pm.

Mass and LIFT are free to attend. BBQ is \$10/person and can be ordered at [liftedhigher.yapsody.com](http://liftedhigher.yapsody.com). A limited number of BBQ tickets will be on sale onsite the day of the event.

In the event of inclement weather, the event will be moved indoors.

## Landings

### Welcoming Returning and Inactive Catholics



Landings invites inactive Catholics to return to a more active practice of their faith. Watch the

bulletin for more information about this program coming to the collaborative, or visit [landingsintl.org](http://landingsintl.org).