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HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH

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Established July 25, 1991 + Church dedicated July 24, 1994

Community Life Center dedicated June 30, 2001

Very Reverend William J. Ledoux

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:30 & 11:00 AM

Weekday

Mon-Fri: 8:30 AM

New Parishioners – Welcome to Holy Apostles! For your convenience, registration forms are available on our website www.holypostles.com. Please fill the form out and return it to the parish office. Also, we encourage you to introduce yourself to Fr. Ledoux, our pastor.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Parents are asked to contact the Deacon early in the pregnancy. Parents are reminded that the selection of sponsors must be made according to regulations specified in Canon Law. Information regarding these regulations will be forwarded upon request.

Marriage

Engaged couples are asked to make an appointment with Father at least one year in advance of their planned date of marriage. In addition, at least one of the individuals planning marriage must be a registered and active member of the parish.

Penance

Saturdays from
4:00 to 4:30 PM

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call to receive
this Sacrament of
comfort & healing.

Communion Calls

Please call the
parish office to
request a visit.





Dear Parishioners:

The season of Lent has been an important time in the life of each of us here at Holy Apostles Parish. It began very dramatically with the reception of ashes, in a sense, marking us as God's people. The first week of March our Parish Mission called all members of Holy Apostles to a deeper relationship with our loving God. On this weekend we receive palms, which remind us of the people's love for Jesus - a love that turned to hate and indifference, quite rapidly. The special practices of Lent....added prayer, fasting, almsgiving... remind us that this was no ordinary time. Because Lent is a season with a personality of its own, we tend to think of it as a season, which has its existence just for the sake of itself. However, it is important to remind ourselves that Lent exists only as a preparation for something bigger. That something bigger is the Easter Triduum.

The term Easter Triduum might not sound familiar to you; however, you are very familiar with it. The Triduum is the three-day celebration of the death and resurrection of Christ - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. The Church meets at times during those three days to remember what it is that Jesus has done for us. During this most solemn of weeks, I invite all the members of our Parish Family to join us for the solemn observance of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. These days of Holy Week offer us a rare opportunity to renew our faith in the Lord who died for us. If you have never attended these services before, or if it has been many years since you attended them, this would be a good year to make a special effort to attend. It will be an experience for you and your family to see and participate in the beauty of these days, when the Church invites us to share in the fullness of Joy which the Resurrection brings to us. Let us complete Lent as a parish family by renewing our faith together during Holy Week.

On Palm Sunday 2021, Pope Francis said in his homily: *"Every year this liturgy leaves us amazed: we pass from the joy of welcoming Jesus as he enters Jerusalem to the sorrow of watching him condemned to death and then crucified. That sense of interior*

amazement will remain with us throughout Holy Week. Let us reflect more deeply on it.

From the start, Jesus leaves us amazed. His people give him a solemn welcome, yet he enters Jerusalem on a lowly colt. His people expect a powerful liberator at Passover, yet he comes to bring the Passover to fulfillment by sacrificing himself. His people are hoping to triumph over the Romans by the sword, but Jesus comes to celebrate God's triumph through the cross. What happened to those people who in a few days' time went from shouting "Hosanna" to crying out "Crucify him"? What happened? They were following an idea of the Messiah rather than the Messiah. They admired Jesus, but they did not let themselves be amazed by him. Amazement is not the same as admiration. Admiration can be worldly, since it follows its own tastes and expectations. Amazement, on the other hand, remains open to others and to the newness they bring. Even today, there are many people who admire Jesus: he said beautiful things; he was filled with love and forgiveness; his example changed history... and so on. They admire him, but their lives are not changed. To admire Jesus is not enough. We have to follow in his footsteps, to let ourselves be challenged by him; to pass from admiration to amazement." Saint Peter's Rome March 28, 2021

God Bless,
Fr. Ledoux



HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Holy Communion & Procession: 7:00PM

Adoration until 10:00PM

GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross: 3:00PM

Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord

Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion:
7:00PM

HOLY SATURDAY

Solemn Vigil and Mass

of the Lord's Resurrection: 7:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8:30AM & 11:00AM

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ~ April 2, 2023

EASTER DECORATIONS

Included in your budget envelopes this year is our annual envelope which helps cover the cost of our Easter flowers and decorations. Donations may be made in the name of a deceased loved one. A special Memorial Mass will be said on **April 24, 2023**.



EASTER COLLECTION

There will be two collections on Easter Sunday - The first will be the regular Sunday offering and the second will be the annual Easter Sunday offering. Your participation and generosity in both will be greatly appreciated.

OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday.

APOSTLES OF MERCY

Thank you!

Thanks to all for your ongoing weekly contributions of food items for our needy as well as your Lenten donations.



ATTENTION ALL TEENS and Families:

Our annual Good Friday walk will take place here at Holy Apostles on **FRIDAY, APRIL 7th @ 10:00 am**. This 5K walk up and back on Pippin Orchard Rd. raises money for poor and disadvantaged children here and at Blessed Assurance, Montego Bay, Jamaica. All teens in Grades 6 through 9 are expected to walk and ALL younger children and families are invited as well. This is a great day to honor Jesus as we commemorate His passion and death. No pre-registrations are necessary, and we should be done by 11:30am.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ~ April 2, 2023

THANKS



Many thanks to the 25 teens who presented **Final Footsteps** last weekend. It was a beautiful combination of scripture, reflection, songs and sacred tradition. Special thanks to: Director: Jen Fyrer; Pianist: Michael Stabile; Vocalist: Geneva Lindsay; Witness Speakers: Michael Conti, Emma Lancellotta, & Mikellen Malloy.

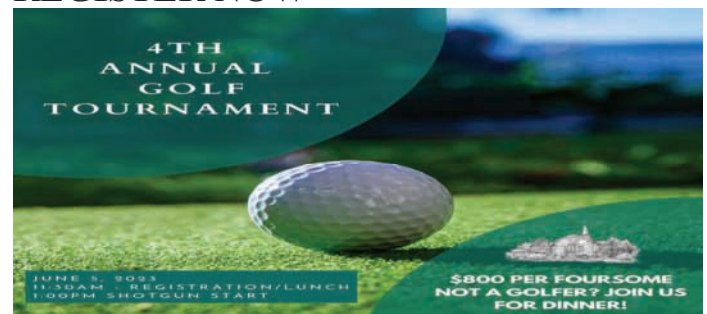
ITALIAN NIGHT



SATURDAY, APRIL 22nd AT 6:00PM
\$20. Adults/ \$15. Children 12 & under

Tickets may be purchased on:
April 15/16 or at the parish office.
This benefits our Teen Mission Program.

REGISTER NOW



Forms are on our website or parish office.



Starting April 3rd, we are selling a maximum of 100 tickets at \$100 each and awarding one **CASH PRIZE** at our Golf Tournament on **Monday, June 5, 2023**. There will be an **"Early Bird"** drawing of \$500 for all tickets sold and paid for prior to April 28, 2023. Please contact the parish office to reserve your number.



Holy Apostles' Goal: \$127,300.00
Amount Collected as of 3/26: \$58,074.00

STEWARDSHIP

Time and Talent - We wish to thank all those parishioners who are always so willing to pitch in and lend a helping hand. Their participation contributes to the vibrancy of our community.

Treasure – Thank you for your financial support.

A Report of the Stewardship of our Treasure:

	Month/year	Month/year
	March 2022	March 2023
	# weeks: 4	# weeks: 4
# Budget Envelopes	873	1,007
Budget contributions	\$25,087.00	\$24,715.25
Additional loose	\$1,833.85	\$2,130.32
Total budget income	\$26,920.85	\$26,845.57
# Faith Direct donors	338	380
# Faith Direct donations	1,352	1,520
Total Faith Direct income	\$24,094.00	\$25,009.00
Monthly Grand Total	\$51,014.85	\$51,854.57
YTD:	39 Weeks	39 Weeks
# Budget envelopes	7,233	8,243
Budget contributions	\$229,279.55	\$243,138.25
Additional loose	\$12,928.72	\$13,993.17
# Faith Direct donations	14,198	13,225
Faith Direct income	\$231,042.50	\$236,784.50
YTD Grand total	\$473,250.77	\$493,915.92
Average Per Week	\$12,134.63	\$12,664.51

ONLINE GIVING

This secure program works directly with your bank or credit card. You can enroll in Faith Direct or make changes to your account dates or contributions online at www.faithdirect.net or call 1-866-507-8757. Holy Apostles parish code is RI18.



Saturday	Vigil: Palm Sunday	April 1
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5:00 PM **Kimberly Markarian**
 Requested by Tony Grelle

Sunday	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	April 2
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8:30 AM **Joseph & Tina Luciano (Birthday/Anniv.)**
 Requested by Family

11:00 AM **Claire Russi (3rd Anniversary)**
 Requested by Family

✠ The **Altar Bread** is offered this week in memory of **Elizabeth Campanella** (6th Anniversary) requested by Family.

✠ The **Sanctuary Candle** is offered this week in memory of **Walter & Helen Legenza** (Birthday/Anniversary) requested by Family.

Monday	Monday of Holy Week	April 3
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8:30 AM **Gloria Capuano (Birthday Rem.)**
 Requested by Family

Tuesday	Tuesday of Holy Week	April 4
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8:30AM **End to Abortion**

Wednesday	Wednesday of Holy Week	April 5
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8:30 AM **For the People**

Thursday	Holy Thursday	April 6
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8:30 AM **No Mass**

7:00 PM **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Friday	Good Friday	April 7
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8:30AM **No Mass**

7:00PM **Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord**

Saturday	Holy Saturday	April 8
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7:00 PM **Solemn Vigil and Mass of the Lord's Resurrection**

Sunday	Easter Sunday	April 9
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8:30 AM **Holy Apostles Memorial Society**

11:00 AM **Anthony Marchetti II (Birthday Rem.)**
 Requested by Family

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ~ April 2, 2023

GOOD FRIDAY WALK-A-THON

WHO: Grades 6 -12 Students and Families

WHAT: 5K Walk

WHERE: Meet at Holy Apostles Parish Center
* Walk up Pippin Orchard Rd to the End and Back to Church

WHEN: Good Friday, April 7th from 10:00AM TO 11:30AM

WHY: To Raise Money for Poor Children in Rhode Island & Blessed Assurance,
Montego Bay, Jamaica

Upon completion, water will be available in the parish center.

WALK IN A SPIRIT OF SERVICE!

Student's Name: _____ Grade _____

Please return this form to the parish center at registration on Friday, April 7th at 9:45am.

Walk begins at 10:00AM

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