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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.



FROM YOUR
DIOCESE

JANUARY 2024

FROM BISHOP RICHARD G. HENNING, STD

LIFE IS
BEAUTIFUL

I hope that the Christmas and New Years celebrations offered all of us a break from routine and time with family and friends. It is a good thing to end the year and begin a new one engaged with the people who are the purpose and meaning in our lives. May the Heart of God draw us ever deeper into that mystery of love and the joy of communion with God and one another.

In another week, tens of thousands of people, young and old, will gather in Washington, DC, to give witness to the sacred dignity and the beauty of human life. While I cannot attend this year as I will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Altagracia here in Rhode Island, I have had many opportunities to take part in the Respect Life Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine and in the annual March for Life. Very unlike a typical protest or public demonstration, these large gatherings are always joyful expressions of compassion and solidarity. With a remarkable history of peaceful witness, the Mass and the March have always lifted my spirits and renewed my confidence in the goodness of human beings.

The Catholic Church consistently upholds the truth of human dignity even in the face of cultural hostility and shifting moral viewpoints. We do so because the Lord himself gave us an example of universal and unselfish love and charged us to love one another as He loved us. We do so because He taught us to be most attentive to the forgotten, the vulnerable, the "least" among us: "Whatsoever you do to the least of these, you do to me" (Matt 25:40). We do so in the knowledge that we will not be judged by our worldly accomplishments, wealth, or cleverness, but by the quality of our compassion and mercy.

It is a source of deep grief to me that our state has enacted laws that are among the most radical and anti-life to be found anywhere in the world. It seems so out of character in a state with such fervent hospitality and where people so often give and sacrifice for their neighbors. I am not sure how we reached this point of kindness to some yet such a merciless stance towards the most vulnerable. Of course, the proponents of such laws argue that they are a matter of freedom and choice. And yet the exclusive focus remains on the termination of innocent human life. We do not actually give vulnerable mothers a choice. We do not offer her equal resources to bring her child to see the light of day. Our system as it has been crafted brings women to only one choice – a tragic choice that occurs in heartbreaking numbers.

Please help me to communicate to the men and women of this state that the Catholic Church reveres life – each and every life. Any woman finding herself in fear or difficulty needs to know that we want to help her have a full choice and the support she will need to make the choice for life. Go to any parish in the Diocese of Providence and we will do all in our power to help you and your baby.

I also ask that we call upon our leaders to help women in Rhode Island have a true choice. Every life is sacred; every life is possibility. Where is compassion? Where is mercy? Are there not ways to respect the dignity of the mother and protect the life of her child? Every one of us was once a child in the womb! We will never be mistaken in efforts to preserve life, to nurture and protect life, to revere and celebrate life. Life is sacred and life is beautiful!



MOST REVEREND RICHARD G. HENNING, S.T.D.
Bishop of Providence

COMING IN FEBRUARY



LENT 2024

The season of preparation for the **Great Feast of Easter**—marked by prayer, penance, and almsgiving—begins with **Ash Wednesday**, observed this year on **February 14, 2024**. Get spiritual guidance, resources, and tips for living your most fruitful Lenten season yet at dioceseofprovidence.org

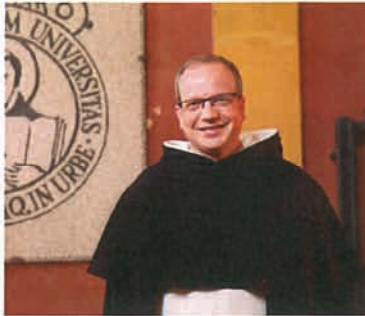
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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 28, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS*More event details & registration links at the QR code and URL below.***FEB 3**

“Catholicism in the 21st Century: What should Catholics be doing in theology today to prepare for tomorrow?”

A Presentation by **Fr. Thomas Joseph White, OP**, Rector of the Angelicum

Hosted by **Bishop Richard G. Henning**

McVinney Auditorium
43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3
6 to 7:30 p.m.
RSVP required

FEB 10

Young Adult Lenten Retreat

Join us as we prepare our hearts and minds to enter the sacred and penitential season of Lent. May the Holy Spirit purify each of us so that we may have deeper union with the risen Christ this Easter.

Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul
30 Fenner Street, Providence

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10
8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
RSVP required

FEB 13

A Beer with the Bishop

Enjoy an evening with **Bishop Richard G. Henning**

Includes an informal talk and audience Q&A

McVinney Auditorium
43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence

FAT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13
6:30 p.m.
RSVP required

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Save The Date

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Golf Tournament

Golf Registration: 11:30AM/Shotgun Start: 1:00PM/Dinner & Raffles: 6:30PM

Monday, June 3, 2024

Alpine Country Club

251 Pippin Orchard Rd., Cranston, RI 02921



Holy Apostles Thousand Club Winner!

*It's not too late to join. Our first drawing
will be on Monday, January 29th!*

Our Seventeenth Annual Holy Apostles Thousand Club \$10,000 in Prizes

- The Club runs for ten months beginning in January.
- Each Month 11 prizes totaling \$1,000 will be awarded.
- This makes 11 chances to win each month and a total of 110 chances to win for the duration of the club! Each ticket costs \$60.



The 2025 Mass Book will open February 1, 2024.

Change in Mass Intention booking for 2025:

Because of the decrease in one weekend Mass due to Covid several years ago and the high-volume request for weekend Mass intentions, we are changing the booking policy. Beginning the 2025 Mass book, one family may only book a maximum of **THREE** weekend Masses for the calendar year. This will give other families a greater opportunity to have their intention Masses on the weekend. Further, we are increasing the daily Mass intentions to **TWO** per Mass to allow so many more intention Masses for the year. We hope with these increases, the opportunity to accommodate more families that want special intention Masses on weekends.

Weekday Masses are \$10

Weekend Masses are \$25

Altar Bread /Sanctuary Lamps are \$20

INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Our policy for weekday Mass is if school is cancelled or delayed in Cranston due to snow or ice, there will be no morning Mass. If there is an intention for the Mass, it will be rescheduled.



Regarding the **cancellation of religious education**, our policy remains the same. We adhere to the decision of the Cranston School Department. However, if snow begins later in the day, we make every effort to contact teachers and schools with a cancellation notice. Also, the cancellation will be posted on the local TV websites as well as our own parish website.

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Attention: Grade 8 to 12 Students

Winter Olympics on Feb. 4, 2024
5:30pm to 7:00PM



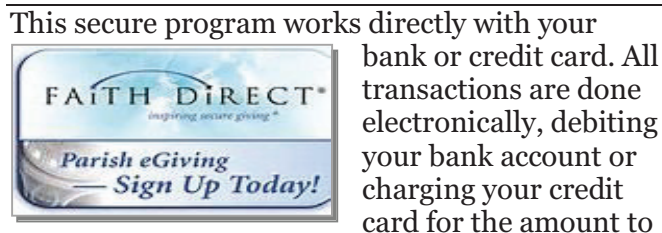
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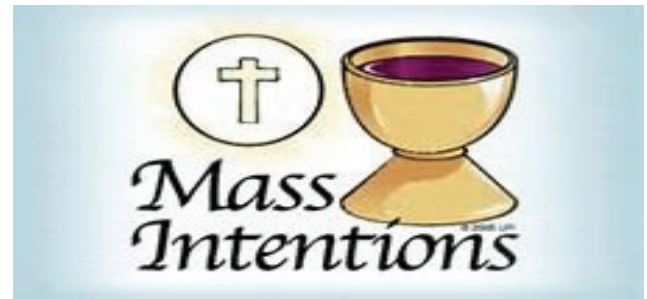
Time and Talent - We wish to thank all those parishioners who are always so willing to pitch in and lend a helping hand. Their participation contributes to the vibrancy of our community.

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Saturday Vigil: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time **January 27**

5:00 PM **John & Emily Gambuto**
Sue Coletti
 Requested by Cynthia & Bob DeAngelis

Sunday Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time **January 28**

8:30 AM **Mario Della Grotta** (15th Anniversary)
 Requested by Wife & Children

11:00 AM **Guido Petrosinelli** (1st Anniversary)
 Requested by Wife & Family



The **Altar Bread** is offered this week in memory of **Norma Conti** (5th Anniversary) requested by The Conti Family.



The **Sanctuary Candle** is offered this week in memory of **Evelina Ricci** requested by Family.

Monday Weekday **January 29**

8:30 AM **Christmas Flower/Decorations Intentions**

Tuesday Weekday **January 30**

8:30AM **Edward Nowak Sr.**
 Requested by Meredith & Ed Nowak & Family

Wednesday St. John Bosco, Priest **January 31**

8:30 AM **For the People**

Special Intention for Mikel Gjergji
 Requested by Mom & Dad

Thursday Weekday **February 1**

8:30 AM **Valerie T. LaCross**
 Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White

Friday The Presentation of the Lord **February 2**

8:30AM **Jim Kirch**
 Requested by The McInnis Family

Saturday Vigil: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time **February 3**

5:00 PM **Mafalda Cascione** (Anniversary)
 Requested by Family

Sunday Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time **February 4**

8:30 AM **Ann Fera Marston** (1st Anniversary)
 Requested by Family

11:00 AM **Joseph & Carol Lebeau** (Birthday Rem.)
 Requested by Family

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