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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 the Pastor

Dear Friends,

This Wednesday we begin the Season of Lent. The season of Lent is a time to refocus our vision on the sacrificial life, death and glorious resurrection of Jesus. It is meant to clarify our vision of what is truly important in our lives: God's continuing invitation to deepen our covenantal love with Him through the community of the Church. Lent affords us the opportunity to reestablish our priorities. In this way, we may live in harmony with our identity as people called by God to live in His love and peace.

Lent is a season of memory and of hope. It is a season of memory because through our celebration of the Church's liturgy, we recall Christ's dying and rising. It is a season of hope through our sharing in the liturgy. By doing so, we renew and gain confidence to live faithfully the covenant Christ established between His Father and us through His dying and rising.

In his Lenten Message in 2022, Pope Francis stated the following: *"Each year during Lent we are reminded that 'goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day' (ibid., 11). Let us ask God to give us the patient perseverance of the farmer (cf. Jas 5:7), and to persevere in doing good, one step at a time. If we fall, let us stretch out our hand to the Father, who always lifts us up. If we are lost, if we are misled by the enticements of the evil one, let us not hesitate to return to God, who 'is generous in forgiving' (Is 55:7). In this season of conversion, sustained by God's grace and by the communion of the Church, let us not grow tired of doing good. The soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer and enriched by charity. Let us believe firmly that 'if we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time' and that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what was promised (cf. Heb 10:36), for our salvation and the salvation of others (cf. 1 Tim 4:16). By cultivating fraternal love towards everyone, we are united to Christ, who gave his life for our sake (cf. 2 Cor 5:14-15), and we are granted a foretaste of the joy of the kingdom of heaven, when God will be 'all in all' (1 Cor 15:28).*

The season of Lent invites each member of Holy Apostles Parish to prayer, fasting and good works. May this season of Lent be a time of renewal and conversion for all of us here at Holy Apostles Parish.

Have a good week and a prayerful Lent!
Fr. Ledoux



February 14th

Celebration of Mass with
Distribution of Ashes

**8:30am, 12:00noon
And 6:00pm**

2025 Mass Book

**Mass Intentions, Altar Breads
and Sanctuary Lamps for 2025**

Change in Mass Intention booking:

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 11, 2024

SUPERBOWL BAKE SALE



Teens on A Mission SUPERBOWL BAKE Sale will take place this weekend after ALL Masses. Please come and support this HUGE fundraiser for the mission.

TEENS ON A MISSION 2024



*Mark Colozzi absent from photo.

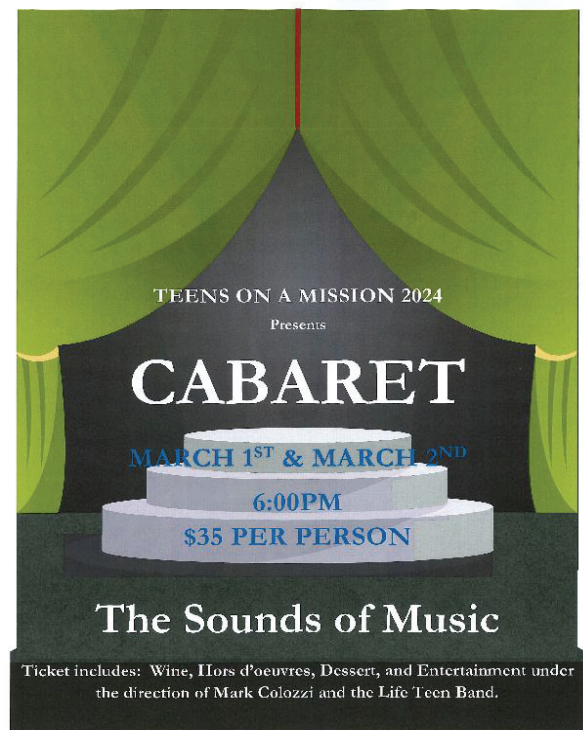
As we begin our mission journey, we would also like to take the opportunity to introduce you to our Mission team this year. Unlike former years, we had less high school teens come forward to apply to be missionaries due to a lower number of teens enrolled in our program. So, to continue our program without skipping any years of missionary service to Blessed Assurance, we have re-arranged our team this year to include young adults who will join our high school teens at Blessed Assurance.

The high school teens include Ashton Rocchio and Benjamin Spirito. College students include Sarah Hardiman, Connor Caprio and Destinee DelBonis. Post-college young adults include Sarah Collins and Anthony Simeone. Please note that the primary consideration for the college and young adult missionaries are their FAITHFULNESS to weekly Mass, active involvement in our teen program and exhibit a willingness to serve here in our parish community. The adult team includes Mark Colozzi, co-director Maryann Johnson and once again, we are blessed with the presence of our pastor, Fr. Ledoux. We are excited about this change and look forward to a wonderful mission experience.

Thank You!

Teens On A Mission 2024 sincerely THANKS everyone who assisted and attended our recent **Italian Night**. We raised slightly over \$5000 and had a great time meeting so many faithful parishioners. We especially wish to THANK our chefs, Marc Mooradian, Domenica Mooradian, Donna Kane, Mike Conti, Sr. & Jr., Solitro's Bakery, Quality Beef, our bartender, Rich Reilly, bakers Rosie Ciccone, Georgia Zuena and Deb Viticonte, missionary parents, and ALL who attended our dinner.

CABARET 2024



Teens On A Mission is hosting Cabaret: The Sounds of Music, **March 1st and 2nd**, 6:00-8:30pm, here in our Parish Center for \$35 per person. The evening consists of served Hors d'oeuvres, wine, a spectacular show under the direction of Mark Colozzi and the teen band, and delicious desserts. Please buy your tickets early after Mass or stop by the parish office. All proceeds go to support our missionaries planning to go to Blessed Assurance, Jamaica this June. Thanks for your generosity and prayers.

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PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Save The Date

Holy Apostles Church

(401) 946-5586 www.holyapostles.com

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



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

Passion Presentation Meeting

Life Teen Room

Sunday, February 18th

10:00am

*Teens interested in participating please attend.

Catholic School (Grades K-8)

Tuition Assistance

In order to ensure objectivity, the Diocesan Catholic School Office's policy requires that parents complete a financial aid application form that may be obtained from the Catholic school the child attends or plans to attend next year. In addition, a letter requesting consideration for assistance must be submitted to Fr. Ledoux no later than April 30th. **Please mark your envelope with Tuition Assistance.**

-Families requesting assistance must follow church law on fulfilling the "Sunday" obligation to attend Mass. It should also be by way of exception that a family attends Mass in a parish other than Holy Apostles.

-At least one parent must be involved in a parish program/ministry.

-Families must be regular contributors to the parish budget using the weekly envelopes or through Faith Direct.

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.

ONLINE GIVING

This secure program works directly with your bank or credit card. All transactions are done electronically, debiting your bank account or charging your credit card for the amount to which

you have agreed in writing. **Holy Apostles is offering two debit dates~ the 4th or 15th of the month or both!** 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.



The Holy Apostles Men of St. Joseph meet twice a month in the Church followed by fellowship and discussion. **Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 21st at 7pm.** Men of all ages are invited to attend. For more information, please visit the RI Men of St Joseph website at: www.rimosj.org.

APOSTLES OF MERCY

Thank You!

Thanks to all for your ongoing weekly contributions of food items for our needy.

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Apostles of Mercy

PARISH LENTEN COLLECTION

WEEKENDS OF:

February 18 & 25, March 3, 10, 17 & 24

Homeless Kits & Family Size Personal Hygiene Products

laundry detergent, dish soap, & household cleansers i.e. Mr. Clean

Homeless kits - travel size containers of body wash, shampoo, comb, toothpaste, toothbrush, body lotion, & wet wipes in a gallon size clear bag

Family size personal hygiene products - specifically bar soap, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner

*Boxes will be at the entrances of the Church to drop off donations.



Please pray for those serving our country

If you or someone you know has a loved one serving in our armed forces, please send their names with rank and branch of military to cad@holypostles.com.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	<i>Vigil: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	February 10
5:00 PM	<u>Adolph Marocco (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Joseph & Roberta Marocco	
Sunday	<i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	February 11
8:30 AM	<u>Olga V. Ruschetta (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Anthony & Donna	
11:00 AM	<u>Antonio Petrone (9th Anniversary)</u> Requested by The Farley Family	
<p>✠ The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Meredith Bartlett requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White.</p> <p>✠ The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of William Loux (10th Anniversary) requested by Stephen & Karen Casale.</p>		
Monday	<i>Weekday</i>	February 12
8:30 AM	<u>Evelyn Russo (Month's Mind)</u> Requested by Lynda Notte <u>James Casale</u> Requested by Kathy & Tom Rossi	
Tuesday	<i>Weekday</i>	February 13
8:30AM	<u>Special Intentions for Mikel Gjergji & Family</u> Requested by Mom & Dad	
Wednesday	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	February 14
8:30 AM	<u>Merril-Lynn & Hal Schrek</u> Requested by Family	
12:00 Noon	<u>Salvatore Castaldi & Castaldi/Colaluca Families</u> Requested by Wife & Daughters	
6:00PM	<u>Ash Wednesday Mass</u>	
Thursday	<i>Thursday After Ash Wednesday</i>	February 15
8:30 AM	<u>For the People</u>	
Friday	<i>Friday After Ash Wednesday</i>	February 16
8:30AM	<u>Lillian R. Clarke (62nd Anniversary)</u> Requested by Nephew	
Saturday	<i>Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent</i>	February 17
5:00 PM	<u>Joe Raposo (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Son	
Sunday	<i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	February 18
8:30 AM	<u>Christine Belchior (Birthday Rem.)</u> <u>Carlos Belchior (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Leo F. DiMaio Jr. (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	

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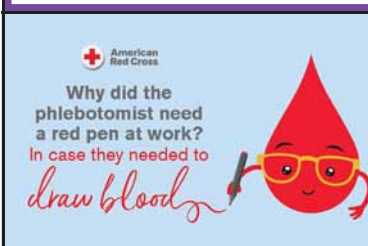
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