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# HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH

800 PIPPIN ORCHARD ROAD  
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*Established July 25, 1991 + Church dedicated July 24, 1994*

*Community Life Center dedicated June 30, 2001*

### Reverend William J. Ledoux

*Pastor / wjl@holypostles.com*

### Monsignor Albert A. Kenney

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### Deacon Gregory P. Albanese

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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](http://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 Parishioners,

As we begin this Month of May, I wish to share with you the words of our beloved late Holy Father, Pope Francis, that he offered on May 1, 2013, regarding the Month of May and devotion to our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph. *"St Joseph, together with Mary, share a single common centre of attention: Jesus. They accompany and nurture the growth of the Son of God made man for us with commitment and tenderness, reflecting on everything that happened. In the Gospels, St Luke twice emphasizes the attitude of Mary, which is also that of St Joseph: she 'kept all these things, pondering them in her heart' (2:19,51). To listen to the Lord, we must learn to contemplate, feel his constant presence in our lives and we must stop and converse with him, give him space in prayer. Each of us, even you boys and girls, young people, so many of you here this morning, should ask yourselves: 'how much space do I give to the Lord? Do I stop to talk with him?' Ever since we were children, our parents have taught us to start and end the day with a prayer, to teach us to feel that the friendship and the love of God accompanies us. Let us remember the Lord more in our daily life!"*

*And in this month of May, I would like to recall the importance and beauty of the prayer of the Holy Rosary. Reciting the Hail Mary, we are led to contemplate the mysteries of Jesus, that is, to reflect on the key moments of his life, so that, as with Mary and St Joseph, he is the centre of our thoughts, of our attention and our actions. It would be nice if, especially in this month of May, we could pray the Holy Rosary together in the family, with friends, in the parish before daily Mass, or some prayer to Jesus and the Virgin Mary! Praying together is a precious moment that further strengthens family life, friendship! Let us learn to pray more in the family and as a family! Dear brothers and sisters, let us ask St Joseph and the Virgin Mary to teach us to be faithful to our daily tasks, to live our faith in the actions of everyday life and to give more space to the Lord in our lives, to pause to contemplate his face."* POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE Saint Peter's Square Wednesday, 1st May 2013

The Gospel of today's Mass presents us with another appearance of Jesus on the evening of his Resurrection. Two disciples are making their way to the village of Emmaus, having lost all hope because

Christ, in whom they had placed the whole meaning of their lives, was dead. Our Lord catches up with them, as if He too were just another traveler on the road and walks with them without being recognized. They engage in broken conversation, as happens when people talk as they are going along. They speak about their preoccupation: what has happened in Jerusalem on the Friday evening—the death of Jesus of Nazareth. The Crucifixion of Our Lord had been a very severe test for the hopes of all those who considered themselves to be his disciples and who to some extent or another had placed their trust in him. Things had all taken place very quickly and they still hadn't got over all they had seen with their very eyes.

Christ Himself—whom they did not at first recognize but whose company and conversation they accept—interprets those events for them in the light of the Scriptures. Patiently He restores in them their faith and their hope. And the two of them recover also their joy and their love: *Did not our hearts burn within us, they say later, while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?*

It is possible that we too may sometimes meet with discouragement and lack of hope because of defects that we cannot manage to root out, or of difficulties in the apostolate or in our work that seem to be insurmountable.... On these occasions, provided we allow ourselves to be helped, Jesus will not allow us to be parted from him.

*Congratulations to the members of the Holy Apostles Parish that received First Holy Communion on Saturday.*

Have a good week!  
Fr. Ledoux



**Holy Apostles' Goal:** \$127,300.00  
**Amount Collected as of 4/29:** \$132,887.00

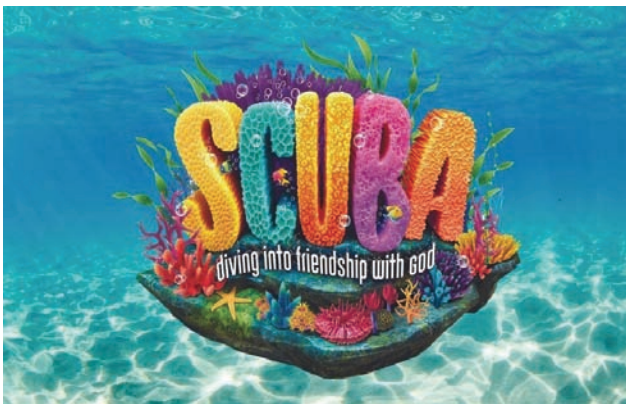
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## EVENING WITH MARY



In honor of Mary, please join us for a special evening of the Rosary and Devotion to Mary on **Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.**

## Vacation Bible Camp



### **Vacation Bible Camp:**

July 21 – July 25, 2025

### **NEW CONFIRMATION I CANDIDATE & a Parent Orientation Meeting**

(Catholic AND public-school students entering Grade 9 in Sept. 2025)

**Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**

**OR**

**Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**

**in the parish center.**

## **Confirmation Classes**

will be the week of June 23 - June 26  
from 9:30am to 12:00 noon  
in the parish center.

## **Confirmation Program**

### ❖ **Current Confirmation I candidates ~**

**Mass SIGN-IN** continues until the Sacrament of Confirmation. Classes will be held June 23- June 26 from 9:30am to 12:00noon in the parish center. You are already registered, please just notify us of any phone or email address changes.



## **Middle School Program**

Classes are in the SUMMER, **JUNE 23 – JUNE 26**, from **5:30pm-8:00pm** in the parish center. These four days of classes will take the place of coming to class weekly during the school year. The registration fee is \$60 per student. In addition to the classes in the summer, there will be several scheduled events during the year. This schedule will be posted in September.

**REGISTRATION materials** were emailed to each middle school family but are also available on our website: [www.holyapostles.com](http://www.holyapostles.com) or in the parish office. Please have all registration forms and the registration fee back to us by **JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>**. If for some reason your son/daughter will be unable to attend the June classes, please register **NOW** with a notation of your schedule conflict and we will reach out to you with alternative information. If your son/daughter will attend a Catholic school next year, please complete the registration form **ONLY** (NO fee required). This will help us to update our records.

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## Holy Apostles Church Sixth Annual Golf Tournament

**Alpine Country Club  
June 2, 2025**

Registration and grill lunch @ 11:30am  
1:00pm Shotgun Start

Awards, Raffles & Dinner following Golf  
\$200 Per Player/\$800. Per Foursome

\*Forms are on our website or in the parish office.

\*Not a golfer? Please join us for dinner at 6pm. Please remember to fill out a form to join us.

\*Remember to return your \$5. raffle tickets to the parish office.

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## 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.

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### FAITH DIRECT - 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 4<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.faithdirect.net) or call 1-866-507-8757. Holy Apostles parish code is RI18.

### APOSTLES OF MERCY

*Thank You!*

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



*Men of all ages are invited to attend our  
Next Meeting: May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am*

### ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

**Please** notify the Parish Office of *any* name, address, telephone change, etc.

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Please pray for those serving our country



- ❖ SMSgt Kevin Sarli, RI Air National Guard
- ❖ SSGT Joshua Anderson, US Marine
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Jacob Anderson, US Marine
- ❖ TSGT Robert M. Braga, US Air Force
- ❖ HM3 Yosman Rodriguez, US Navy
- ❖ Senior Airman Benjamin Fredette, US Air Force
- ❖ PO1 Matthew Fyrer, US Coast Guard
- ❖ ETN2 John Andrew Loiselle, US Navy
- ❖ Capt. Benjamin M. Adamo, US Air Force
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Trevor Kenahan, US Marine Corp.
- ❖ Capt. Dylan T. Farley, US Army
- ❖ A1C Michael J. Cuddemi, US Air Force
- ❖ SSG 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mark O'Brien, US Army
- ❖ Pvt Thomas Napolitano, US Army
- ❖ LtCdr James Cremean, US Navy
- ❖ SrA Ronald D. Garafano Jr., US Air Force
- ❖ Sgt. Victoria Seitz, US Army
- ❖ SFC Adam Shone, RI Army National Guard
- ❖ IT2 Travis Collins, US Navy
- ❖ LtCdr Ronald LaRocca, Navy
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. James Vartanian, RI Army National Guard
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Christopher Vartanian, RI Army Nat. Guard
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Andrew Smedberg, RI Army National Guard
- ❖ Cadet Matthew Vartanian, URI ROTC, RI Army Nat. Guard
- ❖ SPC4 Luke Rossi, US Army
- ❖ Lt. Col. Thomas W. Manera, Jr., RI Army National Guard
- ❖ PFC Jase Deanseris, RI Army National Guard
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Andrew Cooney, US Army
- ❖ EMN1 Austin J. Collins, US Navy
- ❖ Capt. Joseph Palazini, US Army
- ❖ Sgt. John D'Aguanno, US Army
- ❖ GSM1 Kyle Choquette, US Navy
- ❖ Msgr/1<sup>st</sup> Sgt Scott Wildenhain, US Air Force
- ❖ Capt. Sarah Wildenhain, US Air Force

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](mailto:cad@holypostles.com).

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter	May 3
5:00 PM	<b><u>Norma Salley</u></b> Requested by Family	
Sunday	Third Sunday of Easter	May 4
8:30 AM	<b><u>Anthony J. Ruscetta (Birthday Rem.)</u></b> Requested by Donna & Anthony	
11:00 AM	<b><u>Alessandra &amp; Giovanni Vetrano</u></b> Requested by Family	

✚ The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of **Anthony Frattarelli & Kathy Ryan Frattarelli** requested by Family.

✚ The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of **Albert Giusti Sr. (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) & Sue Giusti (13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)** requested by Simeone & Giusti Family.

Monday	Easter Weekday	May 5
8:30 AM	<b><u>Easter Flowers Intentions</u></b>	
Tuesday	Easter Weekday	May 6
8:30AM	<b><u>Fr. Timothy Gorton</u></b> Requested by Ouellet Family <b><u>Janet Goodison</u></b> Requested by Ouellet Family	
Wednesday	Easter Weekday	May 7
8:30 AM	<b><u>For the People</u></b>	
Thursday	Easter Weekday	May 8
8:30 AM	<b><u>David Alfano (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)</u></b> Requested by Wife & Children <b><u>Paul Albanese (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)</u></b> By Deacon Greg & Marie Albanese	
Friday	Easter Weekday	May 9
8:30AM	<b><u>Frank &amp; Mary Muro</u></b> <b><u>Richard Muro</u></b> Requested by Rosemarie & Family <b><u>All Souls</u></b>	
Saturday	Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter	May 10
5:00 PM	<b><u>William &amp; Sistilia Tetzlaff</u></b> <b><u>Carolyn DiBattista</u></b> Requested by Ronald & Elizabeth Marocco	
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter	May 11
8:30 AM	<b><u>Holy Apostles Memorial Society</u></b>	
11:00 AM	<b><u>Barbara Solitro (32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)</u></b> Requested by Anthony & Martha Solitro	

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