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OCTOBER 19, 2025

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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

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 Friends,

Holy Apostles Church joins with the Church throughout the World as we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis released his annual Message for World Mission Sunday 2025 prior to his death in April of 2025. *“Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples.”* In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that hope is at the heart of the Christian mission, calling every baptized person to be “messengers and builders of hope” in a world that often finds itself overshadowed by uncertainty and despair.

Pope Francis explains that it is specifically the Church that “continues the mission of Jesus in history”. Thus, the baptized members of the Church are sent forth in her name. Through our witness and proclamation of the Gospel, God continues “to manifest His love”. This is how He can “touch and transform hearts, minds, bodies, societies and cultures in every place and time.” World Mission Sunday will be a day on which we will be able to reaffirm through prayer, reflection and material help our active participation in Jesus’s mission in His Church. The Holy Father specifies that the collection taken up on October 18/19 will support “the missionary work carried out in my name by the Pontifical Mission Societies, in order to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world, for the salvation of all.”

On Wednesday, October 22nd, we celebrate the Memorial of Saint John Paul II. Born in Wadowice, Poland, Karol Jozef Wojtyla had lost his mother, father, and older brother before his 21st birthday. Karol’s promising academic career at Krakow’s Jagiellonian University was cut short by the outbreak of World War II. While working in a quarry and a chemical factory, he enrolled in an “underground” seminary in Kraków. Ordained in 1946, he was immediately sent to Rome where he earned a doctorate in theology. Back in Poland, a short assignment as assistant pastor in a rural parish preceded his very fruitful chaplaincy for university students. Soon Fr. Wojtyla earned a doctorate in philosophy and began teaching that subject at Poland’s University of Lublin. Communist officials allowed Wojtyla to be appointed auxiliary bishop of Kraków in 1958, considering him a relatively harmless intellectual. They could not have been more wrong!

Bishop Wojtyla attended all four sessions of Vatican II and contributed especially to its Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. Appointed as archbishop of Kraków in 1964, he was named a cardinal three years later. Elected pope in October 1978, he took the name of his short-lived, immediate predecessor. Pope John Paul II was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. In time, he made pastoral visits to 124 countries, including several with small Christian populations. John Paul II promoted ecumenical and interfaith initiatives, especially the 1986 Day of Prayer for World Peace in Assisi. He visited Rome’s main synagogue and the Western Wall in Jerusalem; he also established diplomatic relations between the Holy See and Israel. He improved Catholic-Muslim relations, and in 2001 visited a mosque in Damascus, Syria.

The Great Jubilee of the Year 2000, a key event in John Paul’s ministry, was marked by special celebrations in Rome and elsewhere for Catholics and other Christians. “Christ is the center of the universe and of human history” was the opening line of John Paul II’s 1979 encyclical, *Redeemer of the Human Race*. In 1995, he described himself to the United Nations General Assembly as “a witness to hope.” In his 27 years of papal ministry, John Paul II wrote 14 encyclicals and five books, canonized 482 saints and beatified 1,338 people. In the last years of his life, he suffered from Parkinson’s disease and was forced to cut back on some of his activities. Pope Benedict XVI beatified John Paul II in 2011, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

Presiding at the funeral Mass, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger—then dean of the College of Cardinals and later Pope Benedict XVI—concluded his homily by saying: “None of us can ever forget how, in that last Easter Sunday of his life, the Holy Father, marked by suffering, came once more to the window of the Apostolic Palace and one last time gave his blessing *urbi et orbi* (‘to the city and to the world’). “We can be sure that our beloved pope is standing today at the window of the Father’s house, that sees us and blesses us. Yes, bless us, Holy Father. We entrust your dear soul to the Mother of God, your Mother, who guided you each day and who will guide you now to the glory of her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.” *Have a good week! Fr. Ledoux*

AN EVENING WITH MARY



October is a month set aside to honor our Blessed Mother. We will offer **An Evening with Mary on Monday, October 27th at 6:30pm**. Please join us as we honor Mary, Queen of the Apostles!!

WINTER COAT DRIVE



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All donations will be collected in the parish center. The families at St. Charles Soup Kitchen and McAuley House will be the recipients.

Holy Apostles 4th Annual
TRUNK OR TREAT
Sunday, October 19th ~ 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Dress up and join us!
Trunk or Treat Contest & Food
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*All completed forms and payment are due when registering. Registration forms and payment must be received on the signup dates or dropped off to the Parish Office **on/or before October 21, 2025.**

World Mission Sunday ~ October 19, 2025

**NEW
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ALTAR SERVERS**



Boys and Girls in grade 4 -12 are eligible to become altar servers and assist at weekend Mass and on special occasions. Altar serving is also a wonderful way to get closer to Jesus. Please complete the form below and return it to the parish office as soon as possible.

NEW ALTAR SERVER SIGN UP FORM

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Grade : _____



SIP AND SAVOR

Saturday, November 1, 2025

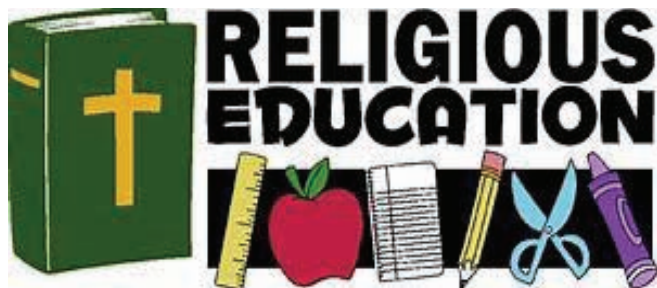
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Meet and greet fellow parishioners and
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Scheduled Family Sessions

in the parish center.

Middle School students & parents

Sunday, October 19th @ 9:30am

Confirmation I & II students & parents

Sunday, October 26th @ 9:30am



The Holy Apostles Men of St. Joseph meet twice a month for fellowship and discussion. Men of all ages are invited to attend. For more information, please visit the RI Men of St Joseph website at: <https://www.mosji.org>

Next Meeting: November 1st at 8am



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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.

Treasure – Thank you for your financial support.



FOOD COLLECTION

We are collecting food for the needy in boxes at the entrances of the Church. We can only accept non-perishables. Thank you for your assistance with this.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday	Vigil: 29 th Sunday	October 18
5:00 PM	Armand Cascione (Anniversary) Requested by Family	
Sunday	29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	October 19
8:30 AM	The Cece & Lombardi Family Requested by Richard & Nancy Cece	
11:00 AM	Emilia Petrone (5th Anniversary) Antonio Petrone (Birthday Rem.) Dr. George T. Farley (6th Anniversary) Requested by Farley Family	
✚ The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Carolyn Farley (2nd Anniversary) requested by Family. ✚ The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of Regina Capuano (Birthday Rem.) requested by Family.		
Monday	Weekday	October 20
8:30 AM	Frank & Sara Vessella Requested by Family Pat Caparco Requested by Family	
Tuesday	Weekday	October 21
8:30 AM	Special Intention	
Wednesday	St. John Paul II, Pope	October 22
8:30 AM	For the People	
Thursday	Weekday	October 23
8:30 AM	Thomasina Primavera (Birthday Rem.) Requested by Daughter, Lyn Robert Armstrong Requested by Barbara Papitto	
Friday	Weekday	October 24
8:30 AM	Special Intention	
Saturday	Vigil: 30 th Sunday	October 25
5:00 PM	Joseph Cherella (Birthday Rem.) Requested by Family	
Sunday	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	October 26
8:30 AM	Antonio & Raffaella Montecalvo David DeCosta (3rd Anniversary) Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	Dick Varone (4th Anniversary) Michael Varone (14th Anniversary) David Varone Requested by Janice & Family	

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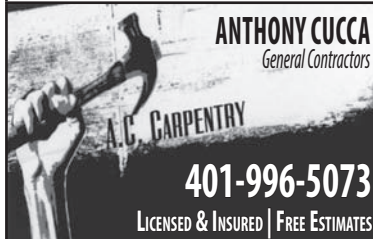
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