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

Community Life Center dedicated June 30, 2001

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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,

We celebrate this weekend what is popularly called the Feast of Christ the King (the official Church name is *The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*). As always, we commemorate the fact that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is indeed the King of the Universe. During the last twelve months we have followed the life of Jesus from the prophecies of last Advent, through his birth, public ministry, death and resurrection. We have prayed over the message of His life as well as His teachings.

In his encyclical establishing this observation in the Church (this only occurred in 1925, some 98 years ago) Pope Pius XI declared, "He (Jesus) must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God.

The Kingdom of God is a time and an opportunity. The kingdom of God becomes real whenever anyone of us provides food for hungry people and whenever we support those who offer shelter to a homeless person. In the Preface of today's feast, we acknowledge that Christ's kingdom is to be a universal kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, justice, love and peace. Whenever these are forces in our lives then we are living in Christ's kingdom.

This Thursday, our Nation pauses as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving offers us a welcome pause in our busy schedule to stop and take stock of the many things, normally taken for granted, that we are especially grateful for. There is the obvious: family, friends, health and prosperity, and the easily forgotten: our nation's bounty, God's grace and the joys and the challenges of daily living. Thanksgiving is also a reminder to us of our need to be generous to those who have not been so greatly blessed.

In both small and great ways, we as a community of faith have much to be thankful for this week. As we gather as a Parish Family to thank Almighty God who has blessed us so abundantly, we also thank those who work so hard

for our Parish and those who have been so generous. I join with Msgr. Sheahan, Msgr. Theroux, Msgr. Kenney, Deacon Albanese and Holy Apostles Parish Staff as we extend our prayers to you and your families on this Thanksgiving Day. We invite you to join with us on Thanksgiving Morning at 9:00am for the celebration of Holy Mass. We will remember in a special way all those that have died during this past year and pray for all the sick in our parish especially, those in our Nursing and care facilities. I invite a member of each family to offer this prayer before your Thanksgiving Dinner.

Have a good week!

Fr. Ledoux

Prayer for Thanksgiving Day

Today we give thanks for our many blessings as we pray for those in need.

We give thanks for our family and friends as we pray for those who are lonely.

We give thanks for our freedoms as we pray for those who are oppressed.

We give thanks for our good health as we pray for those who are ill.

We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity as we share our blessings with others.

*On this day of Thanksgiving,
may the love of God enfold us, the peace of God dwell within us,
and the joy of God uplift us. Amen*



Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday, November 27 @ 9am

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Bake Sale

After all Masses this weekend, the Teen Adopt-a-Family Project will have a Bake Sale.



CHRISTMAS

ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROJECT

ALL high school teens, especially Confirmation I and II teens, are invited to participate in our annual adopt-a-family Christmas project. The project is in 2 phases:

- 1) You must make, nicely package, label and bring 3 baked items on Saturday, November 22nd to be sold at a parish bake sale the weekend of November 22/23.
- 2) You must participate in the actual shopping for the items on Sunday, December 14th from 12 noon to 2:00 pm. The afternoon on December 14th includes a Christmas luncheon for all participants.

Annual Giving Tree to Benefit St. Charles Parish



The weekend of **November 30th**, our Giving Christmas Tree will be in the Gathering Area. St. Charles has once again requested gift cards for their families in need. We ask that you take a tag from the tree and purchase the gift card and bring it to Church by **December 7th**. Please consider what you formerly spent on the gift and purchase a gift card for that amount. We will deliver them to St. Charles in enough time so these families can purchase gifts for their children prior to Christmas.

New Holy Apostles Thousand Club

\$10,000 in Prizes
with an extra \$300.00
Early Bird Drawing!



*This could be a great
Christmas gift.*

- The Club runs for ten months beginning in January, 2025.
- Each Month 11 prizes totaling \$1,000 will be awarded.
- 1@ \$500, 1 @ \$150, 1 @ \$100, 2 @ \$50, and 6 @ \$25
- 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 \$300.00 Early Bird Drawing will be January 2, 2026 for all those paid in full by January 1st.



Save the date:

Tuesday, December 16th at 7:30 pm.

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Holy Apostles Living Nativity and Christmas Cheer evening!

Please join us on **Friday 12/5 at 5:30PM** in the Church for our Living Nativity presented by the children of Holy Apostles.

Immediately following the Living Nativity we welcome you to join us in the Parish Center. You can visit Santa, decorate cookies, do crafts, enjoy refreshments, say hello to our live Elf on the shelf, and relax in the Christmas cheer!

Please save the date and join us for a warm and blessed evening!



NEW JUNIOR & SENIOR 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. Training will take place soon. 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 : _____

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 with Parish Soft Giving

After the joyful summer months, the Fall season is a great time to streamline your stewardship. eGiving is a way to simplify your giving and provide steady, consistent support that helps us be ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in our community. Your recurring gifts will help strengthen our parish and sustain our ministries throughout the year, even if you need to miss a Sunday Mass.

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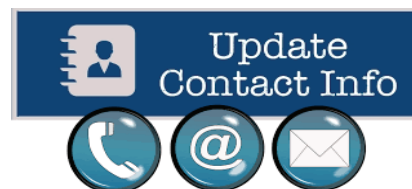
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- ❖ TSGT Robert M. Braga, US Air Force
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- ❖ Sgt. Victoria Seitz, US Army
- ❖ SFC Adam Shone, RI Army National Guard
- ❖ IT2 Travis Collins, US Navy
- ❖ LtCdr Ronald LaRocca, Navy
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- ❖ Sgt. John D'Aguanno, US Army
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- ❖ Msgt/1st Sgt Scott Wildenhain, US Air Force
- ❖ Capt. Sarah Wildenhain, US Air Force
- Lt. Junior Grade Matthew Tassinari, US Navy

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: Christ the King</i>	November 22
5:00 PM	<u>John & Nancy Hudson (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Karen, Shawn & Ella	
Sunday	<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	November 23
8:30 AM	<u>Anthony J. & Olga V. Ruscetta (Wedding Anniv.)</u> Requested by Anthony & Donna	
11:00 AM	<u>William Simas (Birthday Rem.), Lucille Simas, Joseph Lebeau (10th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	
+The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Pat Saccoccia (Anniversary) requested by Daughter & Family.		
+The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of Emelio DeFazio Jr. (2nd Anniversary) requested by Wife & Family.		
Monday	<i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest</i>	November 24
8:30 AM	<u>Caesar & Dolores Parise, Karen Joseph (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family <u>Raymond Sepe Sr. (Month's Mind)</u> Requested by Niece, Paula	
Tuesday	<i>Weekday</i>	November 25
8:30AM	<u>The Cece & Lombardi Family</u> <u>Michael Valelli (4th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Wife & Family	
Wednesday	<i>Weekday</i>	November 26
8:30 AM	<u>Robert & Carol Riley</u> <u>Michael & Louise Esposito</u> Requested by Family <u>Special Intention</u>	
Thursday	<i>Thanksgiving</i>	November 27
9:00 AM	<u>For the People</u>	
Friday	<i>Weekday</i>	November 28
8:30AM	<u>No Mass</u>	
Saturday	<i>Vigil: 1st Sunday of Advent</i>	November 29
5:00 PM	<u>Trisha Viveiros (4th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Husband, Dan	
Sunday	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	November 30
8:30 AM	<u>Joan Margadonna</u> <u>Bob Margadonna (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Thomas & Mary Shea</u> Requested by Daughter, Cheryl Chrones & Family	

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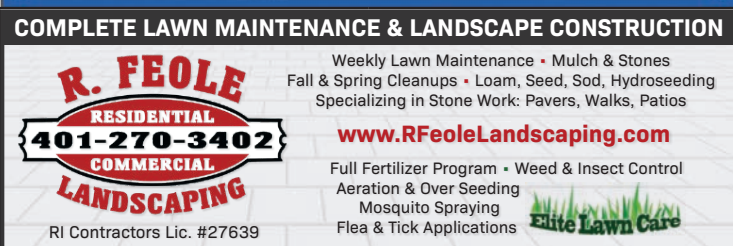
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