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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 Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

On that first Christmas, a song of peace filled the skies over Bethlehem. As we relive that first Christmas through the sacred liturgy and in festive celebrations, we pray that each of you may likewise be filled with the gift of peace which the Infant Savior desires to give to us on His birthday.

On behalf of our Parish Staff, we extend to you best wishes for a Holy Christmas. We warmly welcome all who have come to celebrate this glorious Feast. We welcome the stranger, the traveler and guest! We welcome our students' home from college for a good winter's rest! We welcome parishioners who moved far away but join us this week as old friends and guests! We welcome all who have not been active of late in their Catholic Faith; and hope they will find new hope and inspiration this Christmas to come back again and again!

We welcome our faithful parishioners, loyal and true; may the Lord bless you and for all that you do! We welcome those that are joining by way of live streaming! Welcome to all! May our gathering this Christmas gladden our hearts and deepen our bonds. We are after all, one People of God-redeemed by the Light. May we walk by the Light and live by the Light together in Love.

May the Prince of Peace fill you with joy this Christmas and make you heralds of His Gospel of Peace throughout

the New Year. Such is our prayer for each of you in the Holy Masses that we shall offer on Christmas!

Christmas Blessings!

Fr. Ledoux

*Msgr. Sheahan; Msgr. Theroux; Msgr. Kenney; Deacon Albanese; and
The Staff of Holy Apostles Parish*



Christmas Schedule 2025

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Masses

Christmas Eve

4:00PM, 5:30PM & 11:00PM

Christmas Day

8:30AM & 11:00AM



The Parish Office will close at noon on December 24th and reopen on December 29th.

*There will be no morning Mass on December 26th.

Annual Christmas Flowers & Decorations

Our Annual Christmas Flowers and Decorations donation envelope is included with your budget envelopes. Your donation is to help offset our Christmas Flowers and Decoration expenses. It may be made in the name of a deceased loved one or in your own name. A special Memorial Mass for the intentions will be said on **Thursday, January 8th at 8:30 AM.**



New Holy Apostles Thousand Club

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



*This could be a great
Christmas gift.*



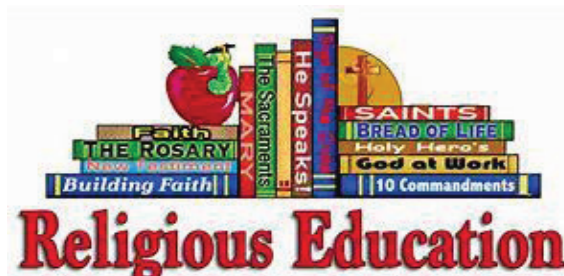
- The Club runs for ten months beginning in January 2026.
- Each Month 11 prizes totaling \$1,000 will be awarded.
- 1 @ \$500, 1 @ \$150, 1 @ \$100, 2 @ \$50, and 6 @ \$25
- This makes 11 chances to win each month and a total of 110 chances to win for the duration of the club!
- Each ticket costs \$60.
- The \$300.00 Early Bird Drawing will be January 2, 2026, for all those paid in full by January 1st.

FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD



The Feast of Mary, Mother of God is January 1st and a holy day of obligation.

Mass will be celebrated:
New Year's Eve at 4:00PM and
New Year's Day at 10:00AM



**Classes for Grades 1-5 will resume the
week of January 26/27.**

Prayer Network

For Special Intentions of a serious nature, please call the parish.

Private Prayer

The Church is open during the week for visits and private prayer. Quiet time with the Lord is time that will be graced and blessed by God. Please enter by the Community Life Center.



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.

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 _____



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.

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.

It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:

- ❖ Call ParishSOFT Customer Service at 866-930-4774 option 6
- ❖ Log in to:
giving.parishsoft.com/giving/FD-18

Please pray for the souls of:



Anna Ripa
Edward E. Desautel
Oronzo Vescera
Mark F. Rowland
Gail A. Coburn
Ralph J. Lappin
Richard Viti
Salvatore W. Piscione
Joan F. Schinse

who passed away and their funeral Masses were celebrated here at Holy Apostles. We wish to express our sympathy to their families.



✠ The **Altar Bread for Christmas** is offered this week in memory of **The Rego & Marocco Family** requested by Joseph & Roberta Marocco.

✠ The **Sanctuary Candle for Christmas** is offered this week in memory of **The Rufo & Malachowski Family** requested by Family.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	<i>Vigil: 4th Sunday of Advent</i>	December 20
5:00 PM	<u>Trisha Viveiros (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Husband, Dan	
Sunday	<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	December 21
8:30 AM	<u>The Cece & Lombardi Family</u> Requested by Richard & Nancy	
11:00 AM	<u>Luigi & Teresa Parravano</u> Requested by Family	
✠The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Ronald Russell II requested by Mom & Lou.		
✠The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of Albert Giusti Sr. & Sue Giusti by Simeone Family.		
Monday	<i>Late Advent Weekday</i>	December 22
8:30 AM	<u>Anthony DePasquale (2nd Anniversary)</u> Requested by Wife & Family	
Tuesday	<i>Late Advent Weekday</i>	December 23
8:30 AM	<u>Ilene DiMaio (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family <u>Norma Betley (3rd Anniversary)</u> Requested by Ann Tavares & Family	
Wednesday	<i>Vigil: Nativity of the Lord</i>	December 24
4:00 PM	<u>Anacleto & Mary Marocco</u> <u>Anna Hafferty</u> Requested by Ronald & Elizabeth Marocco	
5:30 PM	<u>Matthew Michael Vieira (28th Anniv./Birth)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 PM	<u>Christopher Choiniere</u> Requested by Family	
Thursday	<i>Nativity of the Lord</i>	December 25
8:30 AM	Holy Apostles Memorial Society	
11:00 AM	<u>Thomasina Primavera (13th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Daughter, Lyn	
Friday	<i>St. Stephen, The First Martyr</i>	December 26
8:30AM	<u>No Mass</u>	
Saturday	<i>Vigil: Holy Family</i>	December 27
5:00 PM	<u>Raymond R. Gemma Sr. (4th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Loving Family	
Sunday	<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>	December 28
8:30 AM	<u>Ilene DiMaio (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Ann Gentile & Dolores Barbato	
11:00 AM	<u>Norman Palazini (3rd Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	

Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ December 21, 2025

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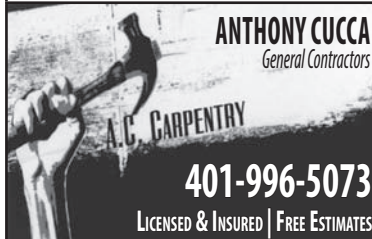
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