

Epiphany of the LORD

*Like the
Magi, may we
also journey
and be attentive,
untiring and
courageous
on the path to
find the invisible
God who was
born among us.*

- Pope Francis



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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.





Dear Parishioners.

Today we continue our journey through the Christmas Season. We are not yet finished singing our carols and unpacking the implications of God coming among us as a human being. Today's celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord reminds us that God comes to save all people.

The word "epiphany" means manifestation. Today we celebrate the manifestation of Jesus as "king of the Jews" who is recognized by "outsiders," the magi from the east. The "insiders," King Herod and the chief priests and scribes, do not recognize Jesus for who he is. In fact, St. Matthew tells us that they, and all Jerusalem, are troubled by the inquiry of the magi.

But for the Magi this is a journey of great joy and anticipation. When the star they have been following brings them to Jesus, they are overjoyed. St. Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians more than sixty years later, describes the source of this joy. The mystery that is revealed "was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel" (Ephesians 3:5-6).

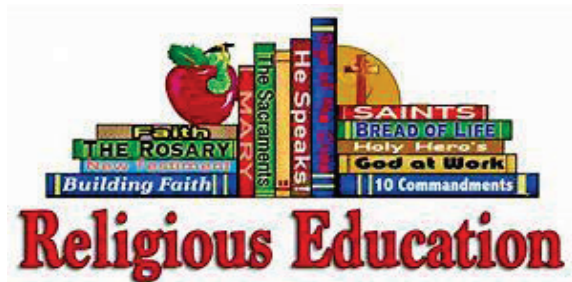
This is no small thing. The one who was named "king of the Jews," by the Magi, and who will later be crucified under that same title, is in fact the king of the Jews, but even more, He is the King of all. This child, whom the magi come to offer homage, is the light for all nations (Isaiah 60:1-6).

During the darkest time of the year for those of us who live in the northern hemisphere, and particularly for those of us who live in the northeast, Jesus is revealed as the light who shines in the darkness. On Christmas Day, St. John reminded us that this "light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:). This is an important reminder that whatever darkness we may experience - either physical or spiritual, that darkness is no match for the great light of Christ's coming. He does not come to save only a small group of people, but the light of his love and mercy is for all people and all time. Amid an often violent and dark world we need to be reminded that the light of Christ continues to shine. He is the "Word Made Flesh." He is "the Splendor of the Father." He is the "*Light of the world*," and whatever darkness we experience will never overcome this Light.

May His light shine brightly in our hearts this day and always. And may we share that light, may we be an epiphany, a manifestation of His light to all we meet.

Have a good week!
Fr. Ledoux

The Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 4, 2026



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

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 _____



CONFIRMATION II STUDENTS

We have received our Confirmation date:

**Sunday, March 15, 2026
2:00PM**

More information to follow.



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.

Holy Apostles Thousand Club



\$10,000 in Prizes

- The Club runs for ten months beginning in January.
- Each Month 11 prizes totaling \$1,000 will be awarded.
- 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.

It's not too late to join. Our first drawing will be on Monday, January 26th!

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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: January 17th at 7:00PM

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:
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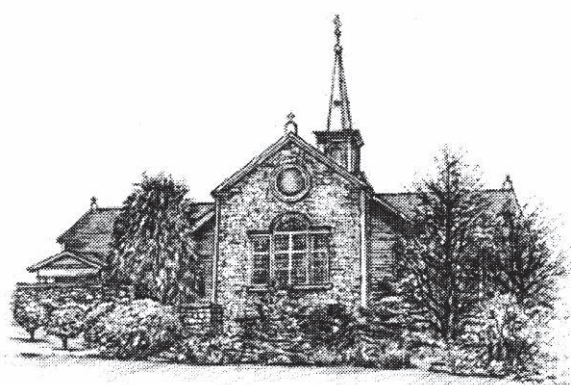


Prayer Network

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.



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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

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APOSTLES OF MERCY

Thank You!

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



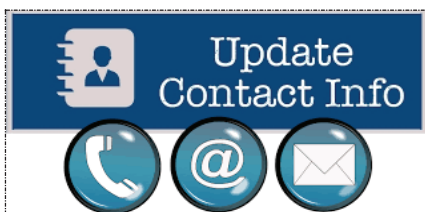
During the month of January, we will be collecting diapers (all sizes) to share with families from St. Charles.



Please pray for the souls of:

William J. Poole
Luca Simeone

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	<i>Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord</i>	January 3
5:00 PM	<u>Mary & Frank DiRaimo</u> Requested by Family	
Sunday	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	January 4
8:30 AM	<u>Mario DellaGrotta</u> (17 th Anniversary) Requested by Wife & Daughters	
11:00 AM	<u>Roger Rousseau</u> (12 th Anniversary) Requested by Family	
✠ The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of George W. Reilly requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White.		
✠ The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of Nancy & Nick Ierfino and Helen & Vincent Russo requested by Family.		
Monday	<i>St. John Neumann, Bishop</i>	January 5
8:30 AM	<u>Jack Blessington</u> (18 th Anniv./Birthday Rem.) Requested by Wife, Joan-Marie	
Tuesday	<i>Christmas Weekday</i>	January 6
8:30AM	<u>Mass for the People</u>	
Wednesday	<i>Christmas Weekday</i>	January 7
8:30 AM	<u>Special Intention</u>	
Thursday	<i>Christmas Weekday</i>	January 8
8:30 AM	<u>Christmas Flower Intentions</u>	
Friday	<i>Christmas Weekday</i>	January 9
8:30AM	<u>Maryellen Beauregard</u> Requested by Orchard Valley Friends	
Saturday	<i>Vigil: Baptism of the Lord</i>	January 10
2:00 PM	Benjamin Phillips & Celine Vescera Wedding	
5:00 PM	<u>Michael A. Scungio</u> (Anniversary) Requested by Scungio & Morrissey Family	
Sunday	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	January 11
8:30 AM	<u>Elaine Malachowski</u> (1 st Anniversary) Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Mia Hanley</u> (Birthday Rem.) Requested by Family	

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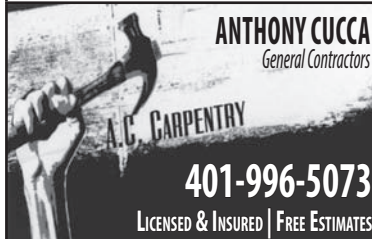
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