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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

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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.holyapostles.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.



From the Pastor

Dear Friends,

On Monday, January 26th we celebrate the Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus. Timothy had a Greek father and a Jewish mother named Eunice. Being the product of a “mixed” marriage, he was considered illegitimate by the Jews. It was his grandmother, Lois, who first became Christian. Timothy was a convert of Paul around the year 47 and later joined him in his apostolic work. He was with Paul at the founding of the Church in Corinth. During the 15 years he worked with Paul, he became one of his most faithful and trusted friends. He was sent on difficult missions by Paul—often in the face of great disturbance in local churches which Paul had founded.

Timothy was with Paul in Rome during the latter’s house arrest. At some period Timothy himself was in prison (Hebrews 13:23). Paul installed him as his representative at the Church of Ephesus. Timothy was comparatively young for the work he was doing. Several references seem to indicate that he was timid. And one of Paul’s most frequently quoted lines was addressed to him: “Stop drinking only water but have a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent illnesses” (1 Timothy 5:23).

Titus has the distinction of being a close friend and disciple of Paul as well as a fellow missionary. He was Greek, apparently from Antioch. Even though Titus was a Gentile, Paul would not let him be forced to undergo circumcision at Jerusalem. Titus is seen as a peacemaker, administrator, great friend. Paul’s second letter to Corinth affords an insight into the depth of his friendship with Titus, and the great fellowship they had in preaching the gospel. When Paul was having trouble with the community at Corinth, Titus was the bearer of Paul’s severe letter and was successful in smoothing things out. Paul writes he was strengthened not only by the arrival of Titus but also “by the encouragement with which he was encouraged regarding you, as he told us of your yearning, your lament, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced even more.... And his heart goes out to you more, as he remembers the obedience of all of you, when you received him with fear and trembling” (2 Corinthians 7:7a, 15). The

Letter to Titus addresses him as the administrator of the Christian community on the island of Crete, charged with organizing it, correcting abuses, and appointing presbyter-bishops. In Titus we get another glimpse of life in the early Church: great zeal in the apostolate, great communion in Christ, great friendship.

On Wednesday, January 28, we celebrate the memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas. St. Thomas Aquinas was born in 1225 in Roccasecca, near Aquino, Italy. Despite his noble background, he chose to join the newly established Dominican Order, drawn by a deep desire to study and preach the truth of the Gospel. He studied under the renowned scholar St. Albert the Great and displayed exceptional intellect and devotion. Thomas wrote numerous works, most famously the *Summa Theologica*, which systematized Catholic theology and remains a cornerstone of Christian philosophy. Known for his methodical reasoning and humility, he sought to harmonize faith and reason, always recognizing that true wisdom ultimately comes from God. He died March 7, 1274, in route to the Second Council of Lyon, leaving behind a profound legacy as a Doctor of the Church and patron of Catholic schools and universities.

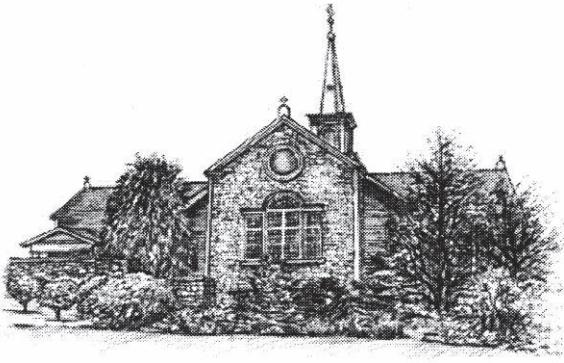
His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, pervades his writings. One might expect Thomas, as a man of the gospel, to be an ardent defender of revealed truth. But he was broad enough, deep enough, to see the whole natural order as coming from God the Creator, and to see reason as a divine gift to be highly cherished.

Have a good week!

Fr. Ledoux



*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@holyapostles.com*



2027 MASS BOOK will open February 11, 2026.

Please note when booking Masses for 2027:

One family may only book a maximum of **THREE** weekend Masses for the calendar year. This will give other families a greater opportunity to have their intention Masses on the weekend. Further, we are scheduling **TWO** daily Mass intentions per Mass to allow so many more intention Masses for the year. We hope with these increases, the opportunity to accommodate more families that want special intention Masses on weekends. Payment for the mass intention should be made at the time of scheduling.

Weekday Masses are \$15

Weekend Masses are \$30

Altar Bread /Sanctuary Lamps are \$20

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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CONFIRMATION II STUDENTS

We have received our Confirmation date:

Sunday, March 15, 2026

2:00PM

***Rehearsal: March 10th @ 5:30pm**



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

FIRST COMMUNION

(Grades 1 & 2)

PARENTS MEETING

**Sunday, January 25th at 9:45AM
in the parish 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.

Save The Date

Holy Apostles Church

Golf Tournament

Golf Registration: 11:30AM/Shotgun Start:
1:00PM/Dinner & Raffles: 6:30PM

Monday, June 1, 2026

Alpine Country Club

251 Pippin Orchard Rd., Cranston, RI
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Holy Apostles
Thousand Club



- 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!

STEWARSHIP



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



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: February 7th at 8:00AM

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Thank You!

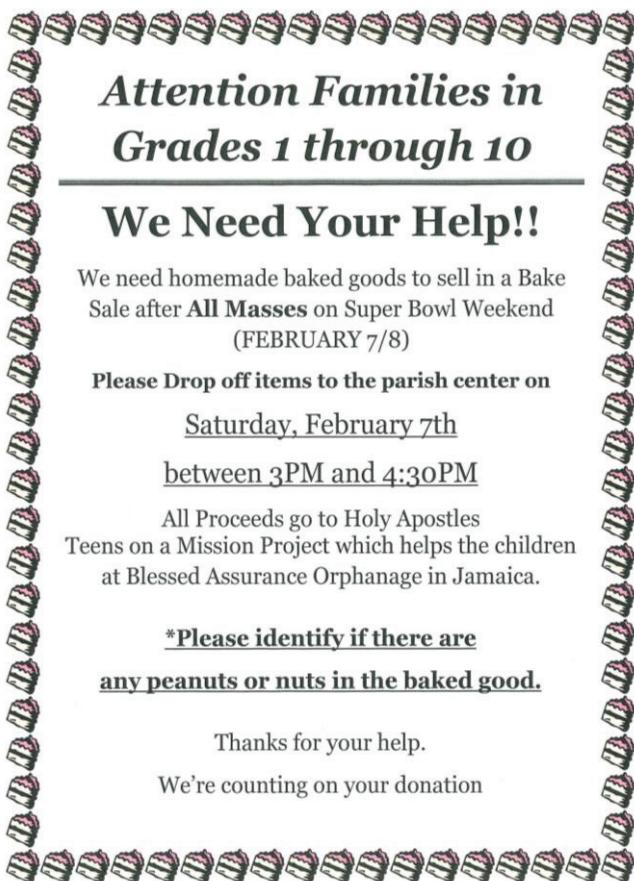
Thanks to all for your ongoing weekly contributions of food items for our needy.



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



SUPERBOWL BAKE SALE



Attention Families in Grades 1 through 10

We Need Your Help!!

We need homemade baked goods to sell in a Bake Sale after All Masses on Super Bowl Weekend (FEBRUARY 7/8)

Please Drop off items to the parish center on
Saturday, February 7th
between 3PM and 4:30PM

All Proceeds go to Holy Apostles Teens on a Mission Project which helps the children at Blessed Assurance Orphanage in Jamaica.

*Please identify if there are any peanuts or nuts in the baked good.

Thanks for your help.
We're counting on your donation

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Vigil: 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 24
5:00 PM	<u>Kevin Miley (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family	
Sunday	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 25
8:30 AM	<u>Melissa Saccoccio (7th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Eileen Pellegrino (Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	
<p>✠ The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Marie Carnveale requested by Friends.</p> <p>✠ The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of Joseph Patrick Mulcahy requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White.</p>		
Monday	<i>St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops</i>	January 26
8:30 AM	<u>Norman Palazini (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family <u>Brian Malone</u> Requested by Family	
Tuesday	Weekday	January 27
8:30AM	Mass for the People	
Wednesday	<i>St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i>	January 28
8:30 AM	<u>Christopher Spagnolo</u> Requested by Meredith & Ed Nowak & Family	
Thursday	Weekday	January 29
8:30 AM	Special Intention to Blessed Mother Frank Donahue Requested by Aldo & Barbara	
Friday	Weekday	January 30
8:30AM	Special Intention for Mitchell Tetreault Requested by Tony & Carol Beretto <u>Maria Raspallo Brown</u> Requested by Family	
Saturday	Vigil: 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 31
5:00 PM	<u>John & Emily Gambuto</u> <u>Sue Coletti</u> Requested by Cynthia & Bob DeAngelis	
Sunday	4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	February 1
8:30 AM	<u>Elaine Malachowski (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Ann Fera Marston (3rd Anniversary)</u> Requested by Family	

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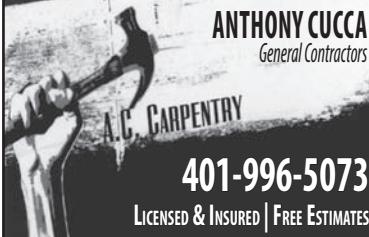
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