

HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM

Sunday
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Weekday
See Inside Bulletin

Parish Office Hours

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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 Monsignor at least six months 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 pm to 4:30 pm or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call to receive this Sacrament of comfort and healing.

Communion Calls: Communion can be brought to the homebound on Sundays following the 9:30 AM Mass. Please call the parish office to request a visit.

First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Mass Intentions, Altar Breads and Sanctuary Lamps for 2020

1. A family may schedule a Mass Intention or request the Altar Bread or Sanctuary Lamps at only one of the following Feast Days/Holidays: (Easter, Christmas, Mother's Day and Father's Day). **The 2020 Mass Book will open on Monday, December 10th.** A maximum of three family names may be used for any given intention.
2. After February 1st, if all of the Intentions for the above Feast Days/Holidays, including the Altar Bread and Sanctuary Lamps, have not been requested, families who requested one date may request others if they are available.
3. **Requests for 2020 will be accepted beginning on December 10th** in person or by phone.

Weekday Masses are \$10 - Weekend Masses are \$25

Altar Bread /Sanctuary Lamps are \$20



Advent Sharing Tree for St. Charles Parish

Our Annual Advent Sharing Tree will be in the Gathering Area decorated with gift tags. Each tag will have the name of a family member from St. Charles, with the age/sex. Please take a tag, then purchase the suggested gift, wrap it and attach the tag on the outside.

Gifts should be returned the **weekend of December 8/9.**

*Please make every effort to have your gifts back in time so that each child will receive a Christmas gift.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Mass will be celebrated:

Vigil Mass, December 7th at 7:00 PM


Holy Day Mass, December 8th at 8:30AM

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Join us on **Thursday, December 13**, at 6:00 PM for an Advent service in the style of the Taize religious community. The service includes readings from Scripture, communal and silent prayer, and songs composed by the Taize brothers. Come experience the gift of Jesus' peace and love. *You will never forget it!*



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

 Holy Apostles Parish will offer its annual gift to the community on Tuesday evening, **December 18th at 7:30pm.** The Christmas concert will consist of our Teen choir, under the direction of Mark Colozzi and our Adult choir under the direction of Cecelia Rodi as well as Arthur Urbano and Tony Grelle. John Norigian will be at the organ. Please come and enjoy a concert filled with uplifting and spiritual music to prepare you for this special time of year.



INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

When the weather is snowy or icy, people sometimes wonder if we cancel Mass. Generally, unless it is really bad and there is a state of emergency or a power failure, we would not cancel Mass on a Sunday. However, for weekday Mass we are not always able to have the snow cleared on time and it is not always safe to be driving. Therefore, our policy is that **for weekday Mass, 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.

Jewish/Christian Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew

Join Rabbi Jeff Goldwasser and Dr. Arthur Urbano for this unique interreligious learning opportunity to join our Jewish neighbors from Temple. The last class will meet on **Dec. 6** at Temple Sinai, 7:00pm -8:30pm. Temple Sinai is located at 30 Hagen Ave in Cranston. For more info, contact Arthur: aurbano@providence.edu.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

Please notify the Parish Office of *any* name, address, telephone changes, etc.

CONFIRMATION II STUDENTS



We are pleased to announce that Bishop Evans will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 10:00AM.**

Senior Youth Group Christmas Service Project 2018



The goal of the service project is to provide families, with special needs, gifts for Christmas.

Reminder ~

Sunday, December 16th from 12pm to 3pm, we will shop for the gifts for the families, wrap the gifts and arrange delivery and then have a luncheon.

HOLIDAY FLOWERS & DECORATIONS

Our Annual Christmas Flowers and Decorations donation envelope is included in this bulletin. Your donation to help offset our Christmas Flowers and Decoration expenses may be made in the name of a deceased loved one or in your own name. A special memorial Mass for the intentions of those deceased in whose name donations were made, will be said on Friday, January 18th at 8:30 AM.



Holy Apostles Christmas Tree

Personalize an ornament with a name or intention to be hung on the tree.
Following all Masses Dec. 1st-11th

- Sponsored by middle and high school students.
- \$5 donation is requested to benefit two children's orphanages
 - Blessed Assurance Orphanage Montego Bay, Jamaica
 - Children's Orphanage Solomon Islands, South Pacific
- The lighted tree will be on display in the Memorial Garden outside the church during Advent and the Christmas Season.

Thank You
and
Merry Christmas!

11 Years/ 1210 Winners! Our Twelfth Annual 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.
- 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, 2019 for all those paid in full by January 1st.



Please pray for those serving our country

- SMSgt Kevin Sarli, RI Air National Guard
- Sgt Joshua Anderson, US Marine
- Robert M. Braga
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- 2nd Lt. Trevor Kenahan, US Marine Corp.
- 1st Lt. Dylan T. Farley, US Army
- A1C Michael J. Cuddemi, US Air Force
- SSG Mark O'Brien, US Army
- Pvt Thomas Napolitano, US Army

WELCOME NEWLY BAPTIZED



We wish to welcome the following infants who, through the Sacrament of Baptism, were recently received into the Community of Faith here at Holy Apostles.

Jameson Ray Kelly	Son of: Jonathan & Stephanie
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Aidan Michael Bennett	Son of: Craig & Natalie
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We pray that the flame of faith burns brightly in their minds and hearts all the days of their lives.

Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound

Each Sunday, after the 9:30 AM Mass, we send out Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to bring the Eucharist to Cra-Mar Meadows and to several individuals in their homes. We are in need of volunteers to assist us in this service. If you are interested or would like more information, please speak with either Msgr.

Theroux or Michael Santilli. We will give you instructions on what to do and the first time you go out.

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.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 3

- **4:00 PM – In the Parish Center:**
Religious Education Classes - Grades 1-5
- **5:30 PM – In the Parish Center:**
Religious Education Classes - Grades 6 - 8
- **7:30 PM – In the Gym:**
Men's Basketball

TUESDAY, December 4

- **4:00 PM – In the Parish Center:**
Religious Education Classes - Grades 1-5
- **5:30 PM – In the Parish Center:**
Religious Education Classes - Grades 6 – 8

THURSDAY, December 6

- **3:30PM – In Community Life Center**
Girl Scouts
- **7:00PM – In Church**
Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, December 7

- **4:30 PM – In Parish Center:**
Girl Scouts

STEWARDSHIP AT HOLY APOSTLES



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.**

A Report of the Stewardship of our Treasure:

	Month/year	Month/year
	Nov. 2017	Nov. 2018
	# weeks: 4	# weeks: 4
# Budget Envelopes	1,288	1,095
Budget contributions	\$25,986.05	\$24,774.05
Additional loose	\$1,628.80	\$2,028.51
Total budget income	27,614.85	26,803.56
# Faith Direct donors	338	331
# Faith Direct donations	1,352	1,324
Total Faith Direct income	\$21,799.00	\$21,502.00
Monthly grand total	\$49,413.85	\$48,304.56
Monthly difference		(\$1,109.29)
YTD: July – November	2017	2018
# Budget envelopes	6,369	5,802
Budget contributions	\$139,322.55	\$135,786.55
Additional loose	\$9,086.39	\$9,933.18
# Faith Direct donations	7,380	7,408
Faith Direct income	\$117,537.50	\$117,228.00
YTD grand total	\$265,946.44	\$262,947.73
Grand total difference		(\$2,998.71)

Faith Direct



This secure program works directly with your bank or credit card. All transactions are done electronically, debiting your bank account or charging your credit card for the amount to which you

have agreed in writing. **Holy Apostles is offering two debit dates~ the 4th or 15th of the month or both!** You can enroll in Faith Direct or make changes to your account dates or contributions online at www.faithdirect.net or call 1-866-507-8757. Holy Apostles parish code is RI18.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	<i>Vigil: First Sunday of Advent</i>	December 1
5:00PM	<u>William & Stella Rekrut</u> Requested by Family	
Sunday	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	December 2
8:00 AM	<u>Sr. Mary Frances Polwoniak</u> <u>Martha & Francis Rusek</u> Requested by Hank & Judy Deion	
9:30 AM	<u>Barbara Venticinque (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Jeremy Gravel</u> Requested by John & Lorraine Hogan	
Monday	<i>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</i>	December 3
8:30 AM	<u>Gary Gearheart</u> Requested by Wife & Family	
Tuesday	<i>Advent Weekday</i>	December 4
8:30 AM	<u>Mass for the People</u>	
Thursday	<i>Advent Weekday</i>	December 6
8:30 AM	<u>Mr. & Mrs. Albert Norato</u> Requested by Daughter, Ilene DiMaio	
Friday	<i>St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	December 7
8:30 AM	<u>Anthony Moreira (10th Anniversary)</u> Requested by Arthur & Mimi Moreira	
7:00 PM	<u>Vigil Mass for Immaculate Conception</u>	
Saturday	<i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	December 8
8:30 AM	<u>Mass for the People</u>	
5:00 PM	<u>Mass for the People</u>	
Sunday	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	December 9
8:00 AM	<u>Lynne & Mardy Lyons</u> Requested by The Armstrong Family	
9:30 AM	<u>Beatrice Viti</u> Requested by The Adult Choir	
11:00 AM	<u>Walter & Helen Legenza (Birthday Rem.)</u> Requested by Family	

APOSTLES OF MERCY

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

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

First Sunday of Advent | Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus tells us to be on guard, and be watchful for His coming.

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WEEK 1, evening lighting prayer

Prayer said by Father or head of household

“O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come, that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance. Through Christ our Lord, Amen”.

Youngest child lights 1 purple candle.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



--- COLOR & CUT ON DOTTED LINES ---

ROLL & OVERLAP
EDGES & GLUE OR
TAPE TOGETHER

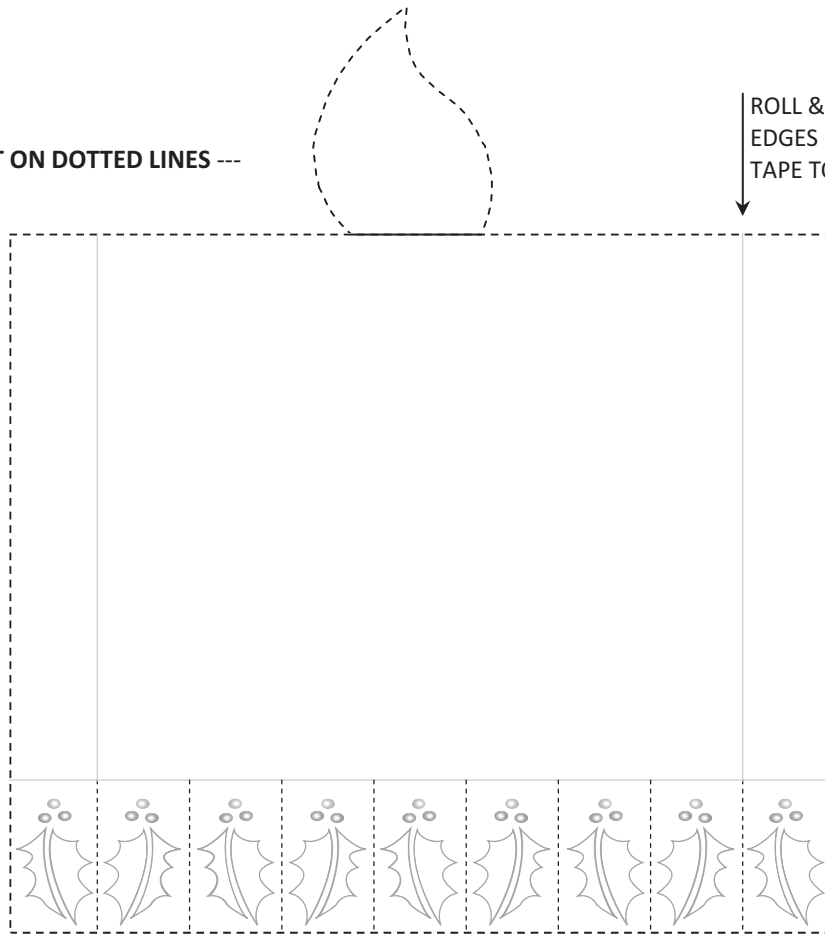
OVERLAP WITH
OPPOSITE SIDE

COLOR PURPLE →

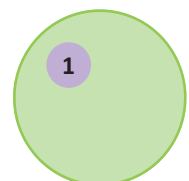
FOLD →

COLOR GREEN →

CUT BASE ↑



This is what the finished candle should look like



WEEK 1 Cut, color and fold our first advent candle - tape or glue to a 9" paper plate or cardboard circle that has been colored green. Place as shown on the diagram at right.

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