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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

*Pastor / wjl@holyapostles.com*

### Monsignor Albert A. Kenney

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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](http://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.

### 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,

This weekend we are celebrating the Sunday between the Ascension of our Lord and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It is still Paschal or Eastertide, but it is rapidly coming to the end. On the other hand, Easter never ends and is a mystery ever-present, since we live now and always in the light of the Lord's resurrection.

The Gospel text this weekend is taken from our Lord's Last Supper discourse, also called Christ's High Priestly Prayer, that eloquent text from the Gospel according to Saint John, concerning Jesus' glorification, that is, his being raised on high by God. But we might ask: what precisely is this glory? It is none other than the victory over sin and death, by means of dying on the cross. How does the cross reveal or lead to Christ's glory? In the cross we find the depth of God's infinite love for sinners, the human race, and at the same time the power of God to redeem us by canceling the debt of sin and reversing the ancient curse of separation from God. In other words, the goal of intimacy with the Trinity, our origin and goal, is made possible by God's saving deeds in and through the risen savior, Jesus Christ.

To possess eternal life is to have God's life within us. That's not about time, but about time transcended. It is about participation in God's peace, joy, love and holiness that God possesses to an infinite degree, and we to lesser a degree, but participants we are nonetheless. Jesus makes it possible for each of us personally to participate in divine life, beginning now and not ending with death. Jesus is God's perfect love manifest in the flesh. Jesus reveals God's majesty and glory and is saying to each of us here and now: "You also can be a part of this greatness. Let go and let God enter your life." We are being told in Scripture, in the sacred liturgy, to rejoice, to have a conviction of faith, that we have not been left orphans, but have God's life always nearby. We share in Christ's sufferings, but we are not put to shame.

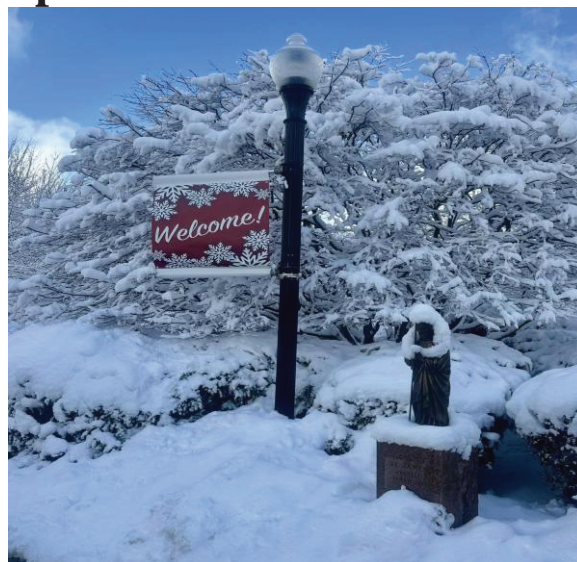
We live in the confidence that we have not been left orphans. Our Lord has ascended but remains with us in a new and even more powerful way. At Pentecost the fullness of God's help

comes to us as the Holy Spirit is poured out on the Church. To put it simply, the Lord desires to remain with us under many forms, throughout our life, including the gift of his precious body offered to us at every Eucharist. In our confusion and disappointments, when we do not know what to do, God bestows his comforter, the Holy Spirit. May we be always open to receive that help, and especially so at Pentecost, when we are given a special chance to share in Christ's glory, who stooped down to us that we might be lifted up to God.

Have a good week!

*Fr. Ledoux*

## Special Collection



**"Help us melt the bill away"** is a special collection to help defray the cost of the snow removal and cleanup of the Blizzard/Winter of 2026. Bishop Lewandowski has granted permission for Parishes to have a second collection to help defray the cost of the Winter of 2026. The snow removal cost for Holy Apostles Parishes from November of 2025 until March of 2026 was \$80,000. A special collection will take place on the weekend of May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Please place your gift in an envelope and on the envelope please write **Winter Collection**.

Thank you for your support of Holy Apostles Parish.

*The Ascension of the Lord ~ May 17, 2026*



**Holy Apostles' Goal:** \$133,665.00  
**Amount Collected as of 5/8:** \$110,831.66

Visit [givecentral.org/2026CCA](http://givecentral.org/2026CCA) to make your difference today. Thank you again.



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**June 6/7  
 WEEKEND**

**Drop off – Parish Center**

**\*We will only accept clothing this weekend only.**

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**Men of Saint Joseph  
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*Men of all ages are invited to attend our  
 Next Meeting: May 20th @ 7:00pm*

**NEW CONFIRMATION I  
 CANDIDATE & a Parent  
 Orientation Meeting**

(Catholic AND public school students entering Grade 9 in Sept. 2026)

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> @ 10am**

**OR**

**Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**

**in the parish center.**

**Confirmation Program**

❖ **Current Confirmation I candidates ~**

Mass SIGN-IN continues until the Sacrament of Confirmation. Classes will be held June 22- June 25 from 9:30am to 12:00noon in the parish center. You are already registered, please just notify us of any phone or email address changes.



**Middle School Program  
 Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8**

Classes are in the SUMMER, JUNE 22 – JUNE 25, from 5:00pm-7:30pm in the parish center. These four days of classes will take the place of coming to class weekly during the school year. The registration fee is \$60 per student. In addition to the classes in the summer, there will be several scheduled events during the year. This schedule will be posted in September.

REGISTRATION materials were emailed to each middle school family but are also available on our website: [www.holyapostles.com](http://www.holyapostles.com) or in the parish office. Please have all registration forms and the registration fee back to us by JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>. If your son/daughter will attend a Catholic school next year, please complete the registration form ONLY (NO fee required). This will help us to update our records.

# Holy Apostles Church

## Seventh Annual Golf Tournament



## Alpine Country Club

June 1, 2026

**\*This event is filled!**

**We will take names for a wait list only.  
Please contact Mike Santilli directly to be  
added to the wait list.**

Awards, Raffles & Dinner following Golf  
\$200 Per Player/\$800. Per Foursome

\*Forms are on our website or in the parish office.

### **\*Not a golfer?**

Please join us for dinner at 6:00pm.  
Please remember to fill out a form to join us.

**\*Remember to return your \$5. raffle tickets to  
the parish office.**

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	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$100 Gift Card Donated by: Anonymous	
	Donation \$5 per ticket or 6 for \$25 Donation Not Required Winners must be 18 years or older Drawing: June 1, 2026	#10249

## 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*

This is a great way to streamline 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.

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### ***Thank you!***

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

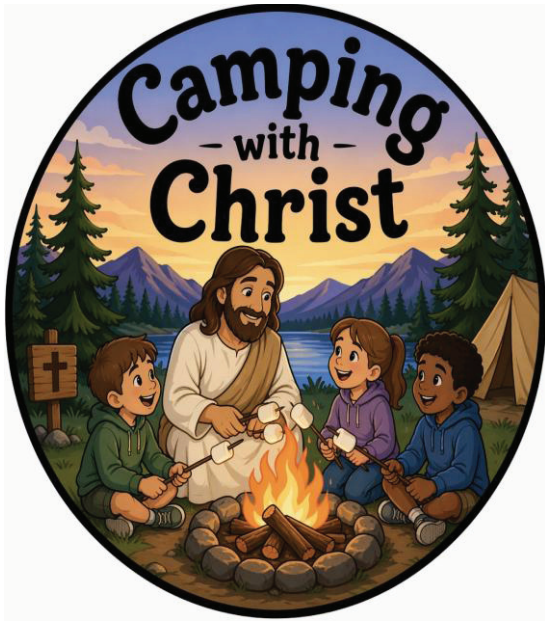
Please pray for those serving our country



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](mailto:cad@holypostles.com).

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# Vacation Bible Camp



## Vacation Bible Camp:

July 13 – July 17, 2026

9:30am to Noon

Ages: 3 years to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

\$70 per child

\*This is a perfect event for middle school or Confirmation students to volunteer at. Please contact the parish office to do so.

Registration forms are available on our website or in the parish office.

## High School Teens

Save the date:

Life Teen Retreat

August 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

More information to follow.



# MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<i>Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>May 16</b>
2:00PM	Ryan Menard & Kaylee Goyette Wedding	
5:00 PM	<b>Anthony Marchetti II (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)</b> Requested by Family	
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>May 17</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Nancy Peters (Birthday Rem.)</b> Requested by Deb & Bob Favicchio	
11:00 AM	<b>Carol LeBeau, Claire Russi (6th Anniv.), Michael Simas (18th Anniv.)</b> Requested by Family	
✠ The <b>Altar Bread</b> is offered this week in memory of <b>Patricia Caparco (Anniversary)</b> requested by Friends.		
✠ The <b>Sanctuary Candle</b> is offered this week in memory of <b>Joseph Capuano Sr. (Birthday Rem.)</b> requested by Family.		
<b>Monday</b>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<b>May 18</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Patricia Caparco (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)</b> Requested by Husband, Mike	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<b>May 19</b>
8:30AM	<b>Nino &amp; Louise Sciotto</b> Requested by Daughter, Rosemarie & Family <b>Patricia Monroe (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)</b> Requested by Sister, JoanMarie	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<b>May 20</b>
8:30 AM	<b>For the People</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<b>May 21</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Susan Donat</b> Requested by Joanne & Michael Choiniere	
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<b>May 22</b>
8:30AM	<b>Special Intention</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>Vigil: Pentecost Sunday</i>	<b>May 23</b>
5:00 PM	<b>Sebastian Urbani (Birthday Rem.)</b> Requested by Lynne & Bud Craddock	
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	<b>May 24</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Raymond Pellegrino (Anniversary)</b> Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<b>Ann Fera Marston (Birthday Rem.)</b> Requested by Family	

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