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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.



From the Pastor

This Monday is Labor Day. Where has the summer gone? Although Labor Day is not the end of the summer, we often associate the Holiday with the conclusion of our summer activities and the return to other types of fall activities. Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country. The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. As we celebrate Labor Day this Monday, let us through the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker ask for guidance and strength for all workers.

This Friday, September 11th will be the 25th anniversary of the tragedy of September 11, 2001. For most of us and the victims of that horrific event, it started out to be a beautiful morning in September, but by 8:46a.m. our lives and our world would be forever altered. Let us not forget them. We should take the time this Friday to offer a special prayer for all those that died that tragic day in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania.

The tragedy of September 11, 2001, reminds us that life is precious and fragile, and that freedom comes at a high cost. This day marks the single largest loss of life resulting from a foreign attack on American soil. The acts of terrorism are forever engrained in our memories; we witnessed inexplicable evil — a disturbing mission unfolded before us, in real time, seeking to snuff out freedom, hope, and life itself. On this significant anniversary, we remember and honor the nearly 3,000 people who lost their lives that day. We continue to pray for and mourn alongside the thousands who, to this day, grieve the loss of a father, mother, son, daughter, other family member or friend.

As we reflect on the powerful stories of those who courageously came to the aid of others, that day and in the weeks to follow, we are reminded that beauty rises from the ashes of tragedy. We remain forever grateful to all who served and to those who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their very life to preserve that which we hold most dear.

Even now, on this 25th anniversary, we come together, once again, with a unified prayer for our nation. We pray for renewed resolve to stand united in the face of evil, for the courage to run to the aid of those in need, and in thanksgiving to the Lord for remaining with us always, even in our darkest hours.

God of understanding, overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy, we seek your light and guidance as we confront such terrible events. Grant that those whose lives were spared may live so that the lives lost here may not have been lost in vain. Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope, and give us the wisdom and courage to work tirelessly for a world where true peace and love reign among nations and in the hearts of all. Amen

PRAYER OF HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI Ground Zero, New York Sunday, 20 April 2008

Fr. Ledoux

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PARISH ASSEMBLY

Invitation for All Parishioners from Bishop Lewandowski

Bishop Lewandowski has called for every parish throughout the Diocese of Providence to hold an assembly this fall. Assemblies provide an opportunity for the clergy and parishioners to gather for prayer and guided discussion with the purpose of setting pastoral priorities. They are not intended to change the liturgy, dogmas, or doctrines of the Church. Rather, the purpose of the assembly is to:

- Listen together for how the Holy Spirit is calling us to live the Church's mission more faithfully in our time and place
- Identify pastoral needs
- Discern next steps for ministry, evangelization, and renewal
- Strengthen shared responsibility for the mission of our parishes and our diocese

Our parish assembly will be held **in the Parish Center on Sunday, September 20th from 9:30am to 10:30am.** The Bishop hopes parishioners will come and provide thoughtful input.

To help us plan for a smooth and successful assembly, registration is highly encouraged. To register:

- Send an email to parishoffice@holyapostles.com
- Call the Parish Office
- Fill out the bottom portion of this form and return via the collection basket

Registrations must be received by **September 18th.**

Holy Apostles Parish Assembly Registration

Name: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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**Classes begin Monday,
September 28th.**

TEACHER MEETING

There will be a teacher meeting on Monday,
September 21st in the parish center:

4:15pm to 5:30pm

This meeting will include pizza.

New Teens on a Mission



We are beginning the process of planning our "Mission Trip" for interested Confirmed teens (currently in Grades 11 & 12) and who attend Mass on a regular basis. So that you can hear details concerning the "Mission Trip", we have scheduled a meeting for **October 4th at 10:00AM** in the **Parish Center**. This meeting is for any interested Confirmed teenager and at least one parent. If you are interested and cannot attend this meeting, please contact Mike Santilli before October 4th. The meeting will provide some important information that you need to know as you consider this challenge.

APOSTLES OF MERCY

We collect food for the needy in the box at the entrances of the Church. We can only accept non-perishables.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic? Perhaps you have a relative or friend who has inquired about the Catholic faith and possibly has questions about what the requirements are to become a Catholic. Or maybe you know someone who was baptized a Catholic as a child, but never followed through with other sacraments and now, as an adult, is more interested in having faith as a part of their life. An **information meeting will be October 4th at 10am in the community life center.** ***Please bring a copy of your sacramental records with you to this meeting.**

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MASS SCHEDULE & OFFICE HOURS



The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of the holiday and there will be no morning Mass.

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.

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COME SHARE YOUR VOICE

Starting September 10th, **ADULT CHOIR** rehearsals are on Thursday nights at 7:00pm. **All are invited.** We sing at the 8:30AM Mass and would love to have new members.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Vigil: 23 rd Sunday	September 5
5:00 PM	<u>Merrill Lynn & Hal Schreck</u> (Anniv.) Requested by Family	
Sunday	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	September 6
8:30 AM	<u>Alberto Soriano</u> (Anniv.) Requested by Family	
11:00 AM	<u>Raymond Brown Sr.</u> (Anniversary) Requested by Family	
+The Altar Bread is offered this week in memory of Elwood M. Johnson Sr. requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White. +The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of John G. Hagopian (1st Anniversary) requested by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond White.		
Monday	Labor Day Holiday	September 7
8:30 AM	<u>No Mass</u>	
Tuesday	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	September 8
8:30AM	<u>Anthony Colella Sr.</u> (2 nd Anniversary) Requested by Wife & Family <u>Bob Armstrong</u> (1 st Anniversary) Requested by Family	
Wednesday	St. Peter Claver, Priest	September 9
8:30 AM	<u>For the People</u>	
Thursday	Weekday	September 10
8:30 AM	<u>William Bowen</u> (Anniversary) Requested by Carolyn Picano & Family <u>Charlie Kirk</u> Requested by Daughter	
Friday	Weekday	September 11
8:30AM	<u>Mass of Thanksgiving</u> <u>Victims & their Families of September 11th</u> Requested by Dora Villari	
Saturday	Vigil: 24 th Sunday	September 12
5:00 PM	<u>Lillian & Sylvester Pezzullo</u> (Anniv.) <u>David Varone</u> (1 st Anniversary) Requested by Janice Varone & Family	
Sunday	Twenty-fourth Sunday	September 13
8:30 AM	<u>Lou Deanseris</u> Requested by Adult Choir	
11:00 AM	<u>David Corso</u> <u>Rose & Vincent Zannini</u> Requested by Mary Corso	

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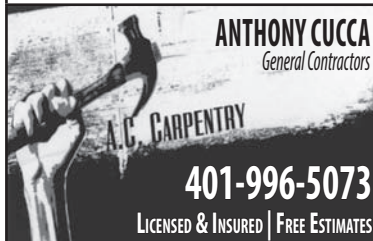
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