MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 24
9:30am - Anna Marcone - Geri Del Monache
11:30am - (Spanish) People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

Tuesday, June 26
8:00am - Joseph & Mary Mugavero
7:00pm - Alfred J, Valvano & Family - Estate

Wednesday, June 27
8:00am - Deceased of Valente & Trapani Family - Estate

Thursday, June 28
8:00am - Lena Loce - Husband, Albert

Friday, June 29
8:00am - Marie J.Brower - Estate

Saturday, June 30
4:00pm - Frank LaPorta - Wife, Margaret & Family

Sunday, June 31
9:30am - People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
11:30am - Deceased of the Menzner Family - Estate

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 24
8:45am - Rosary for Peace

Monday, June 25
7:00pm - Alcoholics Anonymous (HA)

Tuesday, June 26
7:00pm - Narcotics Anonymous (HA)

Wednesday, June 27
11:00am - Bible Study (MTMC)
7:00pm - Prayer Meeting, Spanish (MTMC)

Thursday, June 28
7:00pm - Ice Cream Social

Friday, June 29
5:30pm - Evening Prayer - (HA)
6:00pm - Youth Group (Youth House)
6:30pm - Holy Hour, Spanish (Chapel)

Saturday, June 30
11:00am - Faith Formation Class (MTMC)
3:00pm - RCIA (Rectory)

Sunday, June 31
8:45am - Rosary for Peace

I SCREAM! YOU SCREAM! WE all SCREAM for ICE CREAM! Everyone is invited to attend our first Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 28th at 7pm!
Not only will we eat ICE CREAM we will jump rope, play catch, create masterpieces of art work with chalk and much more! Please plan on coming! It is always so much FUN!
Besides the yummy and fun stuff there will be representatives here from various health organizations with lots of good information for all of us!
If you would like to volunteer please arrive by 6pm....there is something to do for everyone!

THE BEST TWO WEEKS OF SUMMER!
Summer is here and all of our kids are so excited! ...And then in about ten days all of our kids will be bored! And all of the parents, grandparents and other care givers will be wondering what to do to entertain them!
Due to a wonderful gift received, Holy Apostles is sponsoring our first Reading Camp and Dance Camp!
Starting on Monday, July 9th (and every weekday until July 20th) at 1:30 we will welcome all school age children to have FUN reading! After a wonderful snack we will then exercise our bodies and begin our Dance Camp from 3 until 4pm! We would like to begin to make plans and it would be helpful to know who may be coming! Please sign up in the back of Church!

These camps are going to be so much FUN that the kids will say it was the BEST TWO WEEKS of SUMMER!

SUMMER TIME AND THE LIVING IS EASY....
Many things are happening at Holy Apostles this summer and we would like you to be at EVERYTHING! Please mark your calendars!

SUMMER CAMPS ~ Monday July 9th - 13 and Monday, July 16th to July 20th ~ 1:30 to 2:30 Reading Camp ~2:30 Snack ~ 3 - 4pm Dance Camp
ICE CREAM SOCIAL ~Thursday, July 19th - 7pm
PARISH PICNIC - Sunday, July 22 - 11am Mass followed by a wonderful picnic banquet! Good Food...Great Company = a perfect picnic!
OUTDOOR Masses! Sunday, August 5th - Wonderful Coffee Hour after the 9:30 Mass and a Pig Roast after the 11:30 Mass! All are welcome!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~Monday, August 13 - 18th - More details soon!

Weekend Collection Reports: 6/16 & 17
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Today Sunday, June 24 is the Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist. He was a true messenger of the Lord… He prepared the way for the Lord...He prepared the way for the Lord’s coming in many people’s lives.

In our day, we too have people who are also messengers and instruments of God’s Love to us and who prepare our hearts to open up to Him… Here at Holy Apostles, we have been very blessed to have had one such person… Deacon John Crego has been with us at Holy Apostles since even before his ordination on June 8, 2002, and he has prepared the way of the Lord by helping many hearts to open up to our Savior!

Deacon John did exemplary work in every pastoral way imaginable and he was a person whose wisdom was sought on so many of our committees, our Pastoral Council and Staff. Virtually all married couples were prepared for their marriage by Deacon John with very few exceptions. Because of his pastoral care with them, a number of these couples began worshipping with us at Holy Apostles.

Deacon John was also an inspiration for us as he took part in a ministry praying on the location of the latest homicide to have taken place each time one occurred. In deed, Deacon John took the role of a prophet as he prayed for the end of such craziness and that the Kingdom of God would come to reign in our city. And Deacon John proclaimed this in his actions, as well as his words, as he opened the Word of God for us so often in Church.

In the gospel of Luke there is a prophesy over John the Baptist as an infant. He is told,

“You my child will be called
prophet of the Most High for you will go before the
Lord to prepare His way…”

Deacon John, you have done this by loving people, by being with people, by accompanying them in the threshold moments of their lives - births, deaths, graduation, sicknesses, problems. Struggles, weddings, joys, etc.

The prophesy goes on of what John the Baptist will do:

“Give His people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins…”

Deacon John, you certainly have added in so many ways to our knowledge of salvation by teaching and preaching continually to us of God’s love and mercy!

The prophesy ends,

“In the tender compassion of Our God,
The dawn from on high shall break upon us…
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

For sure Deacon John, God’s tender compassion has come upon us more because you have been with us! You have helped us many times to come out of darkness and into peace and for this, we are most grateful!

Deacon John, there are so many other good things we could say about you. Needless to say, we will miss your constant presence with us but know that you and your lovely wife Pat and your family are ALWAYS WELCOME here at Holy Apostles!

May Our Loving Lord richly bless you and your loved ones for all the dedicated service you have given Him here among us!

~ Fr. Tony