

# Holy Apostles Catholic Church

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### Energizers

Rusty Bang ext-3025

### High School Ministry/Confirmation

Robert Barros-Bailey ext-3026

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Mary Wax ext-3007

### Treasure Valley Young Adult Ministry Ages 18-40

Robert Barros- Bailey 371-8289

### Religious Education Office / Room 107

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
10 am-12 pm / 1 pm-5 pm (or by appt.)

### Energizers Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am—6 pm  
Wednesday 10 am—5 pm  
Friday 10 am—4 pm  
Energizers meet on Wednesday 7 pm— 8:30 pm

### High School Ministry Confirmation Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 9 am –5 pm  
Sunday Noon—9 pm

### Prayer Chain

Ann Grindstaff, 378-4656

Please pray for our Military, as well as those who are ill, hospitalized, home-bound or imprisoned. They depend on our daily prayerful support for their health, well-being, and recovery.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Cookie 939-8430

### Columbarium Niches

The niches are available for parishioners of Holy Apostles. Please call the parish office and leave a message at ext. 3003 and a packet will be mailed to you.

*To email Parish Office Staff and Directors, use person's first initial & last name @[holyapostles.net](mailto:holyapostles.net).*

### Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday  
9 am – 12 pm  
1pm – 5 pm

### Parish Bulletin

All bulletin articles must be submitted by **12 Noon** on **Friday** of the previous week (9 days before).  
Email to: [bulletin@holyapostles.net](mailto:bulletin@holyapostles.net)

### Weekly Newsletter

[e-News](http://e-News) Be sure to go to [holyapostlesmeridian.net](http://holyapostlesmeridian.net) and sign up for the Holy Apostles weekly

newsletter. This newsletter is a supplement to the weekly bulletin you can pick up at Mass, it gives you even more information about the happenings at Holy Apostles.



# February 19, 2012

## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 7 Ways to Make Lent Joyful

- \* Start all prayers with praise
- \* Take time with God in a beautiful place
- \* Don't carry the world's pain on your own back
- \* Fast for the sake of richer food - the daily Eucharist
- \* Take flowers and a smile to a sick person
- \* Reconcile with an estranged friend
- \* Compliment someone for making the world better

*From Catholic Update, 2/95 St. Anthony Messenger*

### Ash Wednesday Masses, February 22

8:30am, Noon, 4:30pm, 7pm



### Lenten Reconciliation Services

All services begin at 7pm

Tuesday, March 6	Sacred Heart - Boise
Tuesday, March 13	St. John's Cathedral
<b>Wednesday, March 14</b>	<b>Holy Apostles</b>
Tuesday, March 20	St. Mary's
Wednesday, March 21	Risen Christ
Monday, March 26	Sacred Heart - Emmett
Wednesday, March 28	St. Mark's
Thursday, March 29	Our Lady of the Rosary

### A Stewardship Moment



In this last Sunday before the beginning of the Lenten season, the gospel depicts Jesus continuing his healing ministry. A paralytic is placed on a pallet and lowered

through a roof in order to get near Jesus. Jesus rewards the man's trust in him by forgiving his sins first and then healing his physical disability. Jesus makes a connection between spiritual healing and physical healing, and in doing so, proclaims the kingdom of God in a unique way. In what unique ways, given the divine gifts bestowed on us, have we proclaimed the kingdom of God?

**Please Note:** The Parish Office will be closed, Monday, February 20, in observance of President's Day.

### Father's Barron's Seven Deadly Sins/Seven Lively Virtues

The Adult Ed classes for Lent will feature Father Barron's Seven Deadly Sins/Seven Lively Virtues spiritual study. All are welcome to join Father Len for classes at 9:30am and/or 6:30pm.

February 21.....Anger

*O Lord, must I fear Your wrath? Retribution is Yours by right!*

*May I never dishonour Your Divinity, My soul seeking to maintain Your love.*

*Shape my being into earnest kindness, A reflection of Your perfection.*

*Grant me the grace of self-control, That I may not display any anger.*

*Should I have such an outburst, Instantly remind me to seek redress,*

*For such is offensive to You. Anger is Yours alone to avenge!*

March 6.....Lust

March 13.....Greed

March 20.....Gluttony/Sloth

March 27.....Envy

## **Please Let Your Senator Know How You Feel**

Last year, the national Patient Protection and Affordable (Health) Care Act that was passed, and now the federal and state offices are looking at fine tuning its rules and regulations on how this will actually work at the national and local levels. On January 20, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) reaffirmed a rule that virtually all private health care plans must cover sterilization, aborti-facients, and contraception. The rule is set to take effect August 1, 2012. Non-profit religious employers that do not now provide such coverage, and are not exempt under the rule's extremely narrow definition of religious employer, will be given one year—until August 1, 2013—to comply.

Last August, the HHS issued a list of “preventive services for women” to be mandated in almost all private health plans under the new health care law, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). The mandated services include sterilization, all FDA-approved birth control (such as the IUD, Depo-Provera, ‘morning-after’ pills, and the abortion-inducing drug Ella), and “education and counseling” to promote these among all “women of reproductive capacity.” HHS’s interim final rule allowed only a very narrow exemption for a “religious employer.” The January 20 announcement makes this interim rule final.

To correct the threats to religious liberty and rights of conscience posed by PPACA, the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act has been introduced in Congress (H.R. 1179, S. 1467). This measure will ensure that those who participate in the health care system "retain the right to provide, purchase, or enroll in health coverage that is consistent with their religious beliefs and moral convictions." It is more important than ever that Members of Congress be urged to co-sponsor this measure.

**ACTION:** Contact U.S. Representatives Simpson and Labrador and Senators Crapo and Risch: For your Representatives contact: <http://actions.nchla.org/core.aspx?APP=GAC&AID=970&IssueID=25200&SiteID=-1>

For your Senators, please go directly to their webpage: <http://www.crapo.senate.gov/contact/email.cfm> and <http://www.risch.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=Email> Urge them to “Please co-sponsor the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (S. 1467). This measure ensures that the rights of conscience of all participants in our nation’s health care system will be respected.”

Now is the time to build cosponsors. Please act today! Thanks!

**CHURCH POSITION:** As we are all children of God, all living life is sacred. As a result, we are called to protect the dignity of each person, from conception to natural death. As we have the right to religious freedom, it is our corresponding responsibility to ensure those called to serve as health care providers are afforded the same liberty. We are called to protect the right of health care providers to serve their patients without being forced to violate their moral and religious convictions.

*Written by Catholic Charities of Idaho*

### **Singers and Musicians**

Singers and musicians....Holy Apostles needs you! Please consider using your time and talent by joining one of the Music Groups. A sound person is also needed for each weekend Mass. Contact Nancy Crowson, [ncrowson@holypostles.net](mailto:ncrowson@holypostles.net) or 208-724-6106



### **Knights of Columbus Upcoming Events**

Sunday, February 19: Join the Knights for one of their famous Pancake Breakfast after Mass.

Starting Friday, March 2: Treat yourself to a wonderful fish dinner (served from 5pm-7pm). Stations of the Cross immediately follow at 7pm in the Church.



## Elementary Religious Education (Pre-K3 - 5th Grade)

**KidsWord** - All PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> Graders are invited to join us in the Day Chapel during the Readings & homily during the 11am Mass!

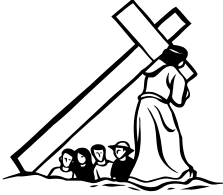
**February 26, March 4, March 25, April 1, April 29**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Lenten Retreat will be held March 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

The deadline to return the permission slip is February 24<sup>th</sup>.

**No Classes!** Classes will not be held for 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grades on **February 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>** due to the long holiday weekend for Presidents' Day.

**Save the Date! VBS will be July 16-20** More information on volunteering and registration to follow!



**“Living” Stations March 2 and March 16** A talented group of youth from our Faith Formation programs directed by Karen Mahoney, Debbie LaFond & Dana Higby will be presenting a special “living” Stations of the Cross. Come join them and experience the stations through Mary’s eyes.

### Holy Apostles Scholarship

Holy Apostles is offering a \$3,000.00 Scholarship to a Holy Apostles family who is actively involved with the parish and the parish community. This scholarship will be merit based as a "Reward Award" and will be for the upcoming school year 2012-2013. A hand delivered application form will be available by contacting the Holy Apostles Finance Department. Please call ext. 3004 or ext. 3003 for arrangements.

### EVANGELIZATION RETREAT

Did you ever wonder why all the people wearing forest green shirts are always smiling? Have you noticed the beautiful banners? Do you want a smile, a banner and a T-shirt? If so, please join us at the Spring Evangelization Retreat, February 24-26, 2012. Registration forms are in the Church Foyer. For more information contact Earl 888-3201.

### Young at Heart Seniors

Young At Heart Seniors meet for a potluck lunch on Wednesday, Feb. 15. A-F dessert; G-Q side dish or salad; R-Z main dish. Program: Foreseeing Medical Emergencies.



### ICYC, VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! March 9-11

The Idaho Catholic Youth Convention is the weekend of March 9-11 and is taking place at Bishop Kelly High School. Volunteers are needed to help throughout the weekend. If you would like to volunteer for a 3-4 hour shift, please contact Lorissa Horn at 342-3511 ext. 3005 or 869-1733 or by email at [ugotjesus@yahoo.com](mailto:ugotjesus@yahoo.com). Nearly 1200 youth and their chaperones will be gathering at BK for this incredible Catholic Conference!!

**ADORER'S NEEDED TOO!** We will be having 24 hour Adoration during the Idaho Catholic Youth Convention at Bishop Kelly. If you would like to sign up for an hour, please contact Roger Graefe at Sacred Heart at 344-8311 or Celestine Kuchar at 514-5348.

### Spend One Hour with Jesus

**Eucharistic**



**Adoration**

Why not ring in the new year with a resolution that will truly change your life? Spend one hour a week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and the rest of your year may fall into place in a way you never imagined! These

Adoration Hours are currently open with no adorers:

**Tuesday Midnight - 1 AM and 1 - 2 AM**  
**Wednesday 1 - 2 AM**

## **Parish Nursing Severing Holy Apostle**

### **Bulletin Board Topic CPR**

**Fit and Fall Proof:** Create an active lifestyle and reduce your chance of falling. Increase your strength, mobility, balance, flexibility and confidence. Mondays and Wednesdays 9:45-10:30am at Holy Apostles, Rm 100

**Volunteer Registered Nurses Needed:** for this year's ICYC to be held March 9-11 at Bishop Kelly High School. 2-3 hour shifts to staff first aid station. Contact Gina Schmidt at [gin-suza@yahoo.com](mailto:gin-suza@yahoo.com) 283-6842 or Debbie LaFond at [Debbie.lafond@hotmail.com](mailto:Debbie.lafond@hotmail.com) 870-4459.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Do you have a planned hospital stay, and need the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick? Please contact the Parish Office ahead of time to schedule this.

**For Emergency Anointing:** If the office is closed, dial 898-1517 and leave a message. During office hours call the Parish office at 888-1182. Please plan ahead.

**Reaching out to the Homebound** Do you know a homebound parishioner in need of the sacraments? Our Deacons, Parish Nurse, and Parish Visitors are available to visit homes or health care facilities upon request. Because of the Federal Privacy Act, the Parish Office must be contacted by the family or the person needing the visit.

**Healing Mass** at Holy Apostles March 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am, followed by a Luncheon hosted by the Legion of Mary. For those in their senior years, seriously ill, or anticipating surgery. Come experience the Sacramental Healing and individual prayers following Mass. All are welcome as we pray for healing and strength in our faith journey.

## **From the Business Office**

### **TAX CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:**

Your 2011 tax statements have been sent out into the mail. If you are registered and have not received your tax contribution statement by now please call the parish office ext. 3003.

**IDAHO CATHOLIC APPEAL (ICA):** The ICA's theme is **We Are One Body**, which reminds us of our unity as the one Body of Christ. ICA Sunday is the March 3-4 weekend. All registered parishioners will be receiving a letter from our Bishop with a brochure and pledge envelope inviting participation of support. Please complete the pledge envelope and bring it to Mass to place in the offertory basket. Your generosity will allow our Catholic community to continue the many vital programs and services that touch the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ who need your assistance. **Our parish goal is 100% participation and \$186,664.73.**

**IDAHO CATHOLIC REGISTERS:** Thank you for your support to pay for your copy of the ICR being delivered to your mail box. If you had not yet written your **\$17.00** check to the parish, you may do so anytime and drop in the collection basket.

### **PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:**

Your Mar/Apr envelopes have been delivered. If you are registered with the parish and do not receive your envelopes, please call Debra at ext. 3004 and let her know. Please remember to pay your **\$4.00** first envelope to help defray envelope costs. Thank you.

## **Come Ye - Come All Parents**

Bishop Kelly Catholic High School invites you to their annual Booster Club Fundraising event of the school year.

**Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm to 11:00pm**

**The Reg (old gym) at Bishop Kelly High School, 7009 Franklin Road, Boise**

**Advanced Reservations Required.** To make your reservation go to Bishop Kelly High School Website and simply print and mail in Reservation Form to address on form. Please return form with payment no later than March 10th. For any questions, please contact Lisa Grover: #938-9903 or [Lhgrover@cablone.net](mailto:Lhgrover@cablone.net).



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