

QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Iglesia Católica Reina de los Apóstoles

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:00pm, 7:00pm (en Español); Sunday 9:15am & 11:15am

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am; Wednesday 5:30pm

Reconciliation: Friday 7:30-8:30am; Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

Adoration: Thursday 5:30-6:30pm

A House of Prayer

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
NOVEMBER 9, 2025

MISSION STATEMENT

With the Blessed Virgin Mary, the first disciple of Jesus Christ, as our example and patron, the mission of Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church is to live and proclaim the Gospel entrusted to us. We strive in our rich diversity to be a community of welcome and hospitality: one with the Risen Christ, each other, and the whole Church. Through the Word of God and the life of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we are empowered to engage in a variety of ministries of service to the parish family and the communities where we live.

Liturgies This Week:

Saturday, November 8, 2025

3:30-4:30pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Mark Danahay Hutchins +
7:00pm Misa en Español

Sunday, November 9, 2025

9:15am Victor & Alice Rodite +
11:15am For the People

Monday, November 10, 2025

9:00am Mass
7:00pm Recitation of the Rosary in Spanish

Tuesday, November 11, 2025—Veterans Day—Office Closed

9:00am No Mass

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

5:30pm Rich and Sherry Dudley 50th Wedding Anniversary

Thursday, November 13, 2025

9:00am Joe and Joan Lynn 50th Wedding Anniversary
5:30-6:30pm Adoration

Friday, November 14, 2025

7:30am-8:30am Reconciliation
9:00am Thomas Madden +

Liturgical Ministers:

Saturday, November 15, 2025-5:00pm

Altar Servers: Adam D'Souza, Caroline Thompson, Lucas Liska

EMCs: Diane Hess, Sharon Thrumbel

Readers: Joe Bruno, Gail Bruno

Hospitality: Todd Morgan, Elizabeth Atterberry

Saturday, November 15, 2025—7:00pm

Eucharistia: Alba Sepulveda, Isabel Rodriguez

Lectores: Patricia Hernandez, Aleyda Munoz

Sunday, November 16, 2025—9:15am

Altar Servers: Zoe Barthelemy, Corinne St. Romain, Clark Cordova, Logan Maney

EMCs: Sandy Endicott, Connie Carnes

Readers: Rose Todd, Steve White

Hospitality: Bill Patz, Suzanne Patz

Sunday, November 16, 2025—11:15am

Altar Servers: Molly Jurik, Ryan Jurik, Gabrielle Miller, Brooke Murphy

EMCs: Cristina Saiz, Juan Saiz

Readers: Andrew Kloak, Terri Wilson

Hospitality: Mary McGuinness, Neil Kauer

Donut Ministry:

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Pat D. Lynch, Jane & Dan Turner, Kimber Zappia

Linens:

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Luz Solano



The collection from 11-02-2025 was \$32,511.22.

Thank you for your support of the parish!

Our Weekly Tithes:

The tithe for the *Gaston Skills Inc* from 11-02-2025 was \$1,625.00.
The tithe for this week is for *Kara's Closet* which is a program designed to provide room makeovers for child victims. Children are identified after their initial involvement with The Lighthouse. This is a great way to assist in a child's healing journey by removing trauma reminders.

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From the Pastor's Desk

You may have noticed that we have **returned to our parish's previous practice** of physically passing the offertory baskets during Mass at the time when the bread and wine are brought forward—the offertory. This simple action is not merely a logistical change; it is part of a **renewed stewardship effort** for our parish family.

Any authentic stewardship effort is never *first and foremost* about the parish's need for funding. **Queen of the Apostles remains in good financial condition**, thanks to your generosity and faithful giving. However, our offertory income has recently fallen below our budgeted projections for the year, and we want to be attentive and proactive in caring for the parish's needs—while keeping our focus where it belongs: on our relationship with the Lord.

The teachings of Jesus remind us that what we do with our money is important.

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21).

Giving, in a spirit of worship, is an act of trust in God. When we contribute to the offertory, we are symbolically offering back to God a portion of what He has already given to us, joining that offering to the bread and wine that become the Body and Blood of Christ.

Practically speaking, our **parish community has grown significantly** over the past few years. Many new parishioners—and visitors—were not here in 2020, when we adjusted our offertory practices during the pandemic. Restoring the basket allows everyone to participate tangibly in this moment of offering and gratitude.

Scripture gives us a model in Abraham, who **gave a tenth of his goods to Melchizedek** (Genesis 14:20). A common Christian guideline is to give ten percent of one's income—**five percent to the parish and diocese, and five percent to other charitable or worthy causes.**

As a parish, we strive to **model that same generosity**: we support the bishop and the Diocese of Charlotte through our parish assessments, and we continue to give five percent of our weekly offertory to local charitable efforts through our tithing partners.

I know that times are uncertain, and many families are feeling the effects of rising costs. Yet I remain deeply grateful for the **faithful generosity of our parishioners**, who make possible everything we do in worship, service, and outreach.

Whatever form your contribution to the work of the Gospel may take—your time, your talent, or your financial gifts—**thank you** for your continued stewardship, your care for our parish, and the witness of your faith.

— Fr. Paul

Click the QR code for safe online giving:



Thanksgiving Day Mass & Sharing Thanksgiving Bread Thursday, November 27, 9:00am

Bake a loaf of bread, rolls or dessert bread and bring to church with you wrapped with a note card from you and your family. Place it at the altar and after Communion, it will be blessed and then we will distribute all the bread to everyone present—you will receive someone else's loaf to take to your Thanksgiving table. What an amazing way to 'give thanks' and celebrate our connections to each other through the Eucharistic Table where we gather every week. (Can't bake? Try it! Or find a bakery and buy a nice loaf of special bread for someone to share at their Thanksgiving table). But come and share Thanksgiving Bread!

Sharing Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 27, 11:00am-12:45pm

Join us for turkey dinner and all the trimmings in the MAK Family Life Center from 11am-12:45pm. RSVP by noon on November 20 to join us! For deliveries, please call 704-825-9600 by Thursday, November 20 at noon. **Volunteer signups are in the Gathering Space or call the church office during business hours.**

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Monday: Saint Leo the Great

Tuesday: Saint Martin of Tours

Wednesday: Saint Josaphat

Thursday: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

Friday: Saint Lawrence O'Toole

Saturday: Saint Albert the Great

Sick and Homebound

Please keep all of our sick and homebound in your prayers especially those who have asked to be remembered:

Donna Snyder, Mary 'Mickey' Estridge, Patrick Bragg, Raphael Winters and Eddie McKnight.

Lost & Found Items

Lost & Found items may be found in the basket in the church Gathering Space.

Online Prayer Ministry

Prayer requests can be sent to prayforme@queenoftheapostles.org or phoned in to the church office at 704-825-9600. If you would like to be part of our prayer line ministry and join us in praying for the needs of others, please call the church office or send an email to prayforme@queenoftheapostles.org.

Online Giving

You have the option to give online through our parish website or click the QR code provided here in the bulletin. Whether you are making a repeat contribution or one-time gift, you can feel good knowing that your donation is made efficiently, accurately and on time.



MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY TRAINING

Are you interested in helping out in our Hospitality Ministry? More Hospitality Ministers are needed! Two training sessions have been scheduled. If you're interested in helping with this ministry, please plan to attend one of the following sessions:

MONDAY, NOV. 10, 6:00PM OR SATURDAY, NOV. 15, 9:00AM
GATHERING SPACE OF CHURCH

For more information, please contact Chrissy at parishops@queenoftheapostles.org.

Weekly Rosary

*The Rosary will be recited weekly on Mondays at 7:00pm in the Church as well as livestreamed from our website on our livestreaming channel. The next Rosary Recitation will be on **November 10 in Spanish, November 17 in English and November 24 in Tagalog**.*

Readings for the Week

Monday Wis 1:1-7 Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday Wis 2:23-3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday Wis 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 Lk 17:11-19

Thursday Wis 7:22b-8:1 Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 Lk 17:20-25

Friday Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab Lk 17:26-37

Saturday Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8

Sunday Mal 3:19-20a Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to dedicate Christmas Flowers in honor of or in memory of loved ones, please go to www.queenoftheapostles.org and reserved online or click the QR code. You may also call the church office during office hours to dedicate Christmas Flowers.



Altar Flower Intentions

Altar Flower dedications, *in honor of or in memory of loved ones*, can be made by going to our website at www.queenoftheapostles.org. A link to reserve flower dedications can be found on the homepage of our website. You can also call the church office for assistance and reserve over the phone or in person during office hours, Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

Flowers at the Altar this weekend were dedicated by:

Marilyn Warmington in loving memory of Jan Lewandowski

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Goodrich & Family in loving memory of Josefina Coloma, Edgar Coloma, Josefina Villar, Claro Coloma Sr., Joaquin Villar, Janet Goodrich, Geroge Goodrich, Rose Tilinghast, Charles Tilinghast, Edward Coloma, and Emmanuel Coloma.

ANGEL TREE 2025

*The Angel Tree will be available in the Gathering Space starting the weekend of **November 15/16**. Gifts need to be returned by **Sunday, December 7**. Please contact Julie Manchester at 704-860-4828 to volunteer, add a child to the tree or to ask questions about your angel tag. Volunteers are needed!*



Food Collection—Collection will be November 29-30

Our collection for November will go to BREAD, Blessings Received Each Appointed Day. Here is their list. Cereal, peanut butter, Mashed potato flakes, hearty soup or stew canned, and canned yams. We are truly grateful for any shelf-stable food. We have enough rice, snacks, desserts, bread, and baby food. Thanks ever so much! Bring your donations to the altar the weekend of November 29-30, and place them in the baskets provided. Thank you for your generosity.

Young at Hearts' Potluck Dinner—Saturday, November 8, following the 5pm Mass

It will be such a sensation, an evening of friends and conversation, a real lively celebration! If you are over 50 and like to have FUN, please join us for our next Young at Hearts' potluck dinner on **November 8th!** Couples and singles alike, please bring a favorite dish or dessert to share. Dinner begins after the 5pm Mass in the MAK Center. You can drop your dish off before Mass starting at 4pm. Save the date and join us – we're always excited to have new people! For more information, please contact Sabrina Scruggs at sdmcky33@gmail.com.

School of Community —Sunday, November 9, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Join our parish's School of Community once every two weeks for a moment of fellowship in which we grow in our knowledge of the faith and our awareness of how the Good News of our Lord is actively working in and transforming our daily lives. Come as you are, no membership required! Our next gathering is on **Sunday, November 9** at 2:00pm in Drexel Hall. All are welcome. No RSVP is necessary. For more information, please contact Alessandro Rovati at qoa.soc@yahoo.com.

MOMS Group—Monday, November 10, 9:00am-11:00am

Ministry of Mothers Sharing will meet next on **Monday, November 10** from 9:00am-11:00am. This group will meet on the second Monday of the month. Moms, be sure to join us for a time of fellowship and faith discussion! KidZone will be available and open for the children during the morning session time. For more information, please contact Jen Miller at jenmiller0813@gmail.com.

Widows: Side by Side— Will meet next on Monday, November 10, 1:00pm

Side by Side Widow's Group meets next at 1:00pm on **Monday, November 10 at 1:00pm**. With November being the month of remembrance, we will begin with the Recitation of the Rosary in the Chapel at 1:00pm. We will then go out to lunch. Please RSVP to Jeanne LaFrancis at pastoralassoc@queenoftheapostles.org if you can attend.

Just for Ladies—Thursday, November 13, 7-8:30pm

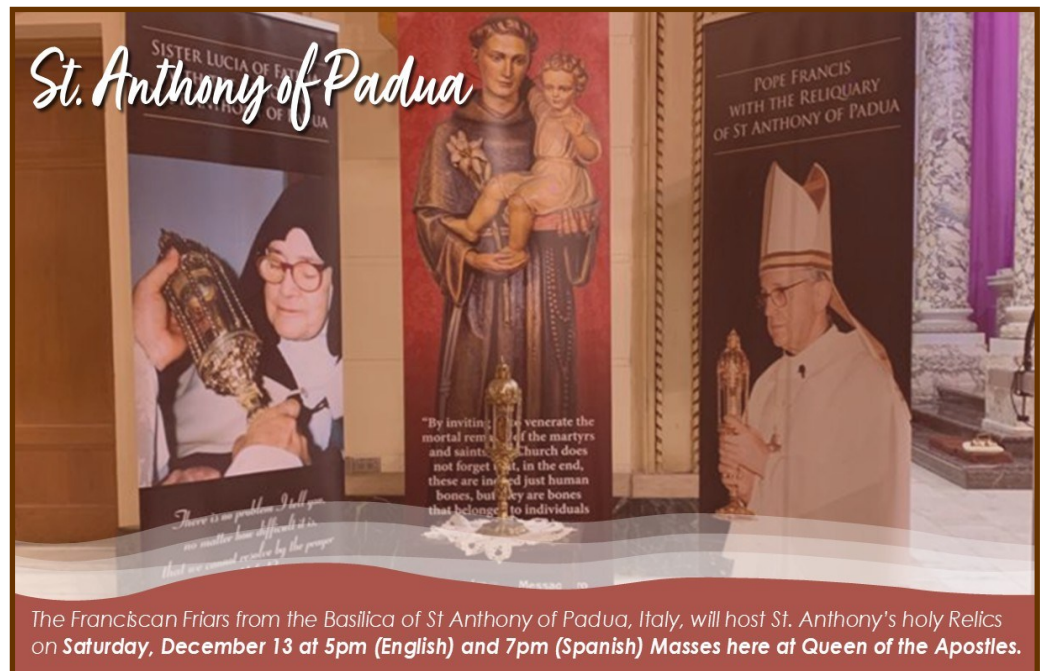
Just for Ladies Bible Study will resume their study sessions beginning **Thursday, November 13** in the MAK Family Life Center from 7-8:30pm! All ladies are welcome to attend! The study will begin with discussion on Sunday Scripture. If you do not like to drive at night, a ride can be arranged for pickup. For more information, please contact Janet Blaylock at qoajustforladiesbiblestudy@gmail.com.

Community Breakfast—Saturday, November 15, 8-11am

Please join us for our free monthly breakfast next **Saturday, November 15** from 8-11 in the MAK family life center. We will serve pancakes and sausages and all your other favorite breakfast items. Hope to see and serve you again! The Breakfast Team

Rosary Makers—Saturday, November 15, 10:30-11:30am

Please join the Rosary Makers at their next meet on **Saturday, November 15**, from 10:30-11:30am in the MAK Center Conference Room. Come for the Community Breakfast then join the group for Rosary Making. If you would like to know more, send an email to Jemi Mendoza at jemi_mendoza@yahoo.com.



faithformation

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION—

Next Meeting November 9

This is Queen of the Apostles Church's primary Catechesis program and fulfills the religious education requirements for children in Grades K-8! The program is now in session! The morning begins at 10:15am in the MAK Family Life Center with coffee and doughnuts followed by the meeting. Connect to our Flock-note Group by texting **QOAFAMILYFAITH** to the number **84576**. If you need more information, contact Anthony Beauregard, the Director of Family and Youth Discipleship at famiyyouth@queenoftheapostles.org.

YOUTH MINISTRIES—MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!

Next Meeting on November 9

Join us for the next meet on **Sunday, November 9** from 5-7:30pm in the MAK Family Life Center! Dinner is provided at each meet! There is no cost to participate in this program! Bring a friend and join us as we gather for fun, food, games and fellowship!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION—

Next meeting on November 9

The Family Faith Formation Adult Class takes place on Sunday mornings with Dr. Rovati in the Conference Room from 10:30am-11:00am! This class follows the Family Faith Formation schedule. No registration is needed! Please join us!

FAMILY ADVENT WREATH BLESSING

Families be sure to bring your Advent Wreath to church on **Sunday, November 16** to be blessed.

Bring your wreath to the Gathering Space of church and they will be blessed between the 9:15am and 11:15am Masses.



Youth Ministry

UPCOMING EVENTS

DON'T MISS OUT!



MIRA VIA & CATHERINES HOUSE SERVICE OUTING

MAK Center

8:00am – 1:00pm



CHRISTMAS CANTATA & MCADENVILLE LIGHTS

Main Church

4:00pm – 8:00pm



HIGH SCHOOL SKI TRIP

Winterplace West Virginia

All Weekend

PINS & WINS YOUTH NIGHT

NOVEMBER 9TH

This event will include bowling, laser tag, and pizza! 🍕

It will take place instead of our regular youth meeting at the church.

\$20 ENTRY

An illustration of a bowling scene. A white bowling ball is in the foreground, and several bowling pins are scattered around it. A red banner with the text '\$20 ENTRY' is attached to the bowling ball. The background is a light blue and white gradient with some decorative elements.

noticias de nuestra comunidad hispana

Desde el escritorio del Párroco

Cada mes de noviembre, la Iglesia dirige su mirada hacia la eternidad. El mes comienza con la **Solemnidad de** Cada 9 de noviembre la Iglesia celebra la **Dedicación de la Basílica de San Juan de Letrán**, la catedral del Papa y la iglesia madre de todos los templos del mundo. Aunque está en Roma, esta fiesta se celebra en todas partes, porque nos recuerda que la Iglesia no es solo un edificio, sino el **pueblo de Dios reunido en la fe y en la caridad**.

La Basílica de Letrán fue dedicada en el siglo IV, después de que el emperador Constantino concediera libertad a los cristianos. Por primera vez, los seguidores de Cristo pudieron construir un lugar de culto público, digno y visible. En ella se han celebrado concilios y grandes momentos de la historia de la Iglesia. Sin embargo, su importancia no radica solamente en su antigüedad o belleza arquitectónica, sino en lo que **simboliza**: la unidad de todos los cristianos alrededor de su pastor, el sucesor de Pedro.

En la liturgia de este día escuchamos las palabras de san Pablo:

“Ustedes son el templo de Dios, y el Espíritu de Dios habita en ustedes” (1 Corintios 3,16).

Cada uno de nosotros, por el bautismo, se ha convertido en **morada del Espíritu Santo**. Dios ya no habita en un templo hecho de piedra, sino en el corazón vivo de su pueblo. Así, cuando celebramos esta fiesta, no solo honramos una iglesia en Roma, sino que renovamos nuestro deseo de que **Cristo habite verdaderamente en nosotros y entre nosotros**.

Las paredes del templo parroquial nos recuerdan que la fe necesita un hogar visible, un lugar donde se proclame la Palabra, se parta el Pan y se sirva al prójimo. Pero más allá del edificio, lo que hace hermosa a la Iglesia es la **vida de los creyentes que la llenan de amor, oración y servicio**. Cuando vivimos en unidad, cuando perdonamos y nos ayudamos mutuamente, edificamos una Iglesia más santa y más viva que cualquier catedral.

Pidamos en esta fiesta que el Señor renueve en nosotros el deseo de cuidar su casa y de ser nosotros mismos **pedras vivas en la construcción del Reino de Dios**. Que nuestras comunidades sean templos de fe y de misericordia, donde todo el que entre sepa que Dios está presente.

— P. Paul

Haz clic en el código QR para realizar donaciones seguras en línea:



FOTOS PARA EL ALTAR: La Iglesia tiene como tradición que cada año en noviembre coloca las fotos de nuestros difuntos en el Altar, para orar por ellos durante el mes.

Los invitamos a traer las fotos de sus familiares difuntos, entregarlas a un miembro del Comité para ser colocadas en el Altar y tenerlos en oración, es nuestro mejor tributo a ellos.

¿NECESITA INFORMACIÓN O ASISTENCIA?

¿Necesita información o ayuda para registrarse en español para educación religiosa y/o programas sacramentales? Comuníquese con Reina Chicas al 704-825-9600 ext. 108. Horas de oficina son los martes y miércoles de 9:30 a 4:30. Adema puede programar una cita si necesita hablar con alguien en horas después de horas de oficina.