

Commencement Exercises - General Information Saturday, May 7, 2022

Location: Holy Apostles College & Seminary 33 Prospect Hill Road Cromwell, CT 06416

Commencement Day Schedule

Guests are limited to two per graduating student.

10:00 am Campus Tour for Online Graduates (Meet at St. Peter's)

11:00-12:30 pm Luncheon for Graduates and Guests (St. Peter's)

12:45-2:15 pm Mandatory Rehearsal (St. Andrew's Classroom)

2:30 pm Baccalaureate Mass (Queen of the Apostles Chapel)

4:00 pm Graduates and Faculty line up (St. Andrew's Classroom/Chapel Basement)

4:30 pm Commencement Exercises Begin (Queen of the Apostles Chapel)

6:45 pm Reception with Buffet (St. Peter's)

Sunday, May 8, 2022

7:30 am Sunday Mass offered by Fr. Kucer, MSA, President-Rector (Queen of the Apostles Chapel)

Commencement Regalia:

You are required to purchase your own cap, gown, tassel, and hood from Rose Therese. Please follow this link and choose the appropriate package (undergrad or graduate): https://rosetherese.com/product/holv-apostles-college-seminary/

Attention Classes of 2020 and 2021: If you already purchased your cap and gown for the virtual commencement ceremony in July of 2021, then you can email Rose Therese directly at info@rosetherese.com to purchase just the tassel and hood. Be sure to mention that you are from Holy Apostles.

Airports:

If you are flying from out of state, the closest airport to Holy Apostles is Bradley International Airport (Hartford/Springfield) located in Windsor Locks, CT. It is about 40 minutes from campus.

Lodging:

The Holy Apostles campus cannot accommodate lodging for graduating students and/or their guests. However, there are many hotels and accommodations nearby.

A block of rooms is reserved for Holy Apostles students and their families at the local Springhill Suites for the evenings of Friday, May 6, and Saturday, May 7. The address is 76 Berlin Road, Cromwell, CT 06146. The rate is \$139 per night and is subject to the 15% local sales tax and occupancy taxes. To reserve your room(s) with this discounted rate, please mention that you're with Holy Apostles and book through this link **before Thursday, April 7**:

https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1645131983240&key=GRP Please note that after April 7, the reserved block of rooms goes back to the general public for booking and you will not be able to reserve with the discounted rate.

Graduation Fee & Diplomas:

All graduating students are required to pay the graduation fee of \$150. For those who completed the Current Format Comp Exam, the graduation fee was included with the fee for the exam.

On campus and online graduates: please make your payment through Populi. Seminarians: the Business Office will send out invoices to your diocese for payment.

Please take note that academic and financial obligations must be met in order to receive your diploma and transcript. Diplomas ship in early-mid June.

Holy Apostles charges a graduation fee to cover the administrative costs associated with completing the graduation review, as well as printing and shipping your diploma. Eligible students are invited to participate in the annual on campus Commencement ceremony, for which the school does not charge an additional fee.

Attention Classes of 2020 and 2021: If you received your diploma in the mail, then you should have already paid the graduation fee. If you have any questions about whether you did pay the graduation fee, please contact Jeannine Hamill in the Business Office at jhamill@holyapostles.edu. Please note that the graduation fee *does not* cover the cost of the cap/gown set (see above).

Campus Masking Protocols:

Please note that as of March 18, 2022, there is no mask policy on campus. If this changes, you will be made aware.

Video Streaming:

The Commencement Ceremony will be live-streamed. A link will be provided for you to share with family and friends.

Local Attractions:

If you would like to spend more time in Connecticut, please visit www.CTvisit.com/ for tourism ideas. You may also consider visiting the following uniquely Catholic destinations:

- Padre Pio Foundation of America Cromwell, CT (5 minutes from campus)
- National Shrine of The Divine Mercy Stockbridge, MA (1.5 hours from campus)
- <u>St. Mary's Church</u> New Haven, CT; founding location of Knights of Columbus (35 minutes from campus)
- <u>Bl. McGivney Pilgrimage Center</u> New Haven, CT (35 minutes from campus)
- <u>St. Patrick's Parish & Oratory</u> Waterbury, CT; ICKSP Latin Mass Parish (30 minutes from campus)

