

Church of the Precious Blood

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17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JUL 27, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Weekend of Jul 27

- Filipino/English Mass at St. Dorothea's, 3p Sunday (Rosary at 2:30p)
- Tins available for Helping Hearts casseroles
- 2nd Collection for the retirement fund for Religious Sisters and Brothers, and the clergy

Weekend of Aug 10

- Backpack Drive for school supplies for families in need.

HELPING HEARTS

CASSEROLES FOR THOSE IN NEED

Collecting on the First Sundays of the Month

Frozen casseroles are collected and distributed to those in need who don't have the means or aren't able to cook for themselves. Trays are available normally the last weekend of the month. And frozen casseroles are then due next weekend on the first Sunday of the month. Instruction sheets are also available next to the trays. The most important thing to keep in mind is that whatever casserole you make, it must be clearly labeled, with date and type of casserole, and be frozen solid.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jul 26

5:30p John Caruso & Marc Rizzo

Sunday

8:00a deceased members of our Parish Family

9:30a June Tuohy

11:00a Ryan Connolly

Monday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

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Thursday

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Friday

8:30a Robert Bakos Jr

WALK FOR THE POOR FUNDRAISER

Sign-ups starting weekend of Jul 27

at the doors of the churches

Walk takes place on Saturday, Sep 7

St. Vincent dePaul will be registering people to **Walk for the Poor**. Our 14th annual walk will take place on Sep 7 (Sep 14 rain date), in conjunction with Eatontown Day. We will walk at Wolcott Park – as little or as much as you

like. Obtaining pledges sponsors will help us raise funds to assist our less fortunate neighbors. Join us for a day of fun and community service!

SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets for our Parish Summer Raffle 50/50 are on sale now. The drawing will be on September 21, 2025 after our 11:00 AM Beach Mass at the Monmouth Beach public pavilion. Tickets will be sold at the parish office, which is open weekdays 9a to 1p. We will also sell at the Summer beach Masses and at all the Masses the first two weekends in September. Last year, the Jackpot was about \$9,000 and the winner received their half of that. We encourage you to take a book of 10 and sell them to your friends and neighbors. Tickets are \$25 each / book of 10 tickets is \$250.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Those celebrating milestone anniversary dates for their Church marriages, such as a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th anniversary can receive a blessing from a priest or deacon. This can be done during a Mass (Sunday or Weekday) or, outside of Mass. It can be done on the anniversary date, or a nearby date. Please call the parish office to arrange.

RETURN OF "THE CUP" AT MASSES

Started on Holy Thursday, Apr 17

The *Feast of the Supper of the Lord* on Holy Thursday was the return of *The Cup of the Precious Blood of Christ* to our Eucharistic celebration.

Please note: The stations for the Eucharistic Bread will be a sharp right or left along the front pew. The Cup will be in the middle. After receiving the Eucharistic Bread, you may continue to your seat, or, go first to The Cup to receive the Precious Blood, and then go to your seat.

How to Receive from The Cup: Approach the Minister with the *The Cup* and respond "Amen" when they say "The Blood of Christ." Take the cup and then take a sip, and then hand it back. "Intincture," that is dipping the Eucharistic Bread into the Wine, is not allowed in our diocese and the Minister of The Cup will not allow you to do so.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK DRIVE **Weekend of August 10**

To help families in need we will be collecting school supplies and distributing them to organizations that provide aid to families in need. We could use supplies such as:

composition books	2-pocket folders
highlighters	spiral notebooks
backpacks	#2 pencils
color pencils	filler paper
binders	folders
glue sticks	
crayons	erasers
markers	ink pens

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN EXPOSITION

Tuesdays from 12:00 PM to 6:45 PM

Benediction at 6:45 PM

Mass following at 7 PM

Confession following Mass

All at St. Dorothea Church

DEVOTIONS AFTER MASS AT ST. DOROTHEA

- Miraculous Medal Novena 1st Mondays.
- Praying of the Rosary on Wednesdays.
- Our Mother of Perpetual Help every 1st Wednesday before the rosary.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus novena 1st Fridays

CONFESSIONS

Precious Blood

Tuesdays & Fridays after the 8:30a Mass

St. Dorothea

Tuesday, after the 7:00 PM Mass

Fridays, after the 12:15 PM Mass

TEACHERS WANTED FOR NEXT YEAR'S REL. ED. PROGRAM

Planning for Religious Education has begun for the 2025-2026 school year. The program is looking for volunteers to help teach classes.

In this current school year, we did not have enough teachers for every grade and class. It is important for children to have in-class sessions and for families to have regular contact with the church community.

So, please consider sharing in the give of spreading the Good News of Christ to the next generation. We are recruiting this early so that we can provide you with the training you need, and to even to give you an opportunity to sit in and watch a religious ed. class in progress way before the next school-year starts in the Fall.

If you're interested in helping, please contact Deacon John at jnotaro32@gmail.com. The major requirement is a desire to share the faith with the children of the parish.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, Sep 19, 12:30 – 6:30 PM

Appointments for the next drive at St. Dorothea Meeting Room (school) are now available at: nybc.org/newjerseydrive, sponsor code **71265**, or, search by zip code. And make sure you change the ending date filter.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

No Meetings in Jun, Jul, or Aug.

Resumes September in parish center

All God's Children is part support group, part spiritual faith-sharing group, and part organizational. As a support group, they help anyone in the LGBT+ community, their family and friends, and anyone interested in LGBT+ concerns (called 'allies') to feel welcome and loved by God's family and the Church.

BEACH MASSES, SUMMER 2025

We have 2 Summer Beach Masses left scheduled to take place at the Monmouth Beach Bathing Pavilion (29 Ocean Ave. N, Monmouth Beach; where Valentine St. meets Rte. 36). The Masses are moved from Precious Blood church to the pavilion (no Mass in the church at that time). In case of inclement weather, the Mass is moved back to the church. **Bench seating may be wet and is limited – please bring a towel and a chair if you can.**

- August 17, 8 AM
- Sep 21, 11a, pot-luck picnic following

AID FOR THOSE HARMED BY FIRE, DISASTERS, AND WAR

To provide aid for those affected by the flooding and damage caused by hurricanes Helene and Milton, or the fires in Los Angeles, please give to Catholic Charities USA.

<https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

To aid those affected by natural disasters, such as the super typhoon Man-Yi in the Philippines, or by war, outside of the U.S., please give to Catholic Relief Services.

<https://www.crs.org/>

ST. DOROTHEA HEALTH FAIR 2025

September 7 at 9:15-11:30 AM

St. Dorothea School Gym

Theme: Spiritual Health

Blood Pressure Screening * Flu Vaccine
Educational Materials * Giveaways * Raffle
Zumba Gold * Tai Chi * Line Dancing

OCIA JOURNEY GROUP

Are you, or someone you know, contemplating becoming a baptized Catholic, or receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation? If so, we would like to invite you, or someone you know, to call the parish office, or Steve Bulvanoski's cell at 908-675-0015, to let us know that you would like more information about our Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) Journey Group.

One of our team members will be happy to share how the OCIA group can join you in examining the gifts that Jesus gives to us, the wisdom of His Word (the Bible), and what it is like to be a member of the community at Precious Blood parish. We look forward to hearing from you.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering Jul 20	\$ 4,522
In-pew	\$ 2,079
Mailed/dropped off	\$ 150
Online giving	\$ 2,293
2 nd Coll. Peter Pence	\$ 2,208
Capital Improvements	\$13,150

Averages...

all of 2024: \$ 4,981	Jan'25 \$ 4,862
Feb'25 \$ 5,129	Mar'25 \$ 5,060
Apr'25 \$ 5,219	May'25 \$ 5,250
Jun'25 \$ 4,965	Jul'25 \$ 4,902

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **Jul 27** – Retirement Fund for Religious & Clergy
- **Aug 24** – Capital Improvements
- **Aug 31** – Missionary Appeal
- **Sep 7** – Catholic Communications

Regular and Special Donations can be set up to happen electronically. Please click on “Online Giving” at the top menu of our parish’s home page on the Internet.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COLLECTIONS

Our second collections for “Capital Improvements” is to help pay for new major purchases or to cover the cost of major repairs/replacement. If it wasn’t for the extraordinary expenses, our yearly budget would be nearly balanced. Recent expenditures have been:

- Replacing the parking lot filtration system that protects the surrounding wetlands: \$14,000

- Major appliance replacements/repairs (Parish Center and Parish House freezer, washer, and others): ~\$3,000.
- Changing the high pressure argon light bulbs in the gym – they were not protected from projectiles (we have several sports groups renting our gym), and they’ve been known to explode on their own at the end of their life. Plus, they buzz loudly. Plus other upgrades to lighting around the parish center and church sanctuary. ~\$20,000

Upcoming expenses:

- Upgrading all our fluorescent lighting in the Parish Center hallways and classrooms to LED.
- Minor repairs to the church roof (especially to keep squirrels out!)
- New stove for the parish center (one of the ovens is irreparable, and we definitely need to switch from gas pilot lights to electronic ignition). ~\$1,500.
- Repairing cracks in the parking lot

SUNDAY MASSES OF OUR ‘LINKED’ PARISHES

PRECIOUS BLOOD	ST. DOROTHEA
Saturday Vigil: 5:30p	Saturday Vigil: 400p
Sundays: 8:00a	Sundays: 8:30a
9:30a	10:00a
11:00a	

SAVE THE DATE FOR PRECIOUS BLOOD’S PARISH MISSION

Weekend Masses of Oct 5
Nightly Sessions, Mon-Wed, Oct 6-8

SAVE THE DATE FOR JAN 2026 WOMEN'S & MEN'S WEEKEND RETREATS

Women's retreat: Jan 23, 24 & 25
Men's retreat: Jan 30, 31 & 28