

Church of the Precious Blood

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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 14, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, Dec 14

- 2nd Sunday Social after the 8 & 9:30a Masses
- St. Vincent Cookie distribution (for pre-orders)
- Festival of Carols, 4p, St. Dorothea
- Carriage Ride fundraiser, Sunday 2:30-6p

Saturday, Dec 20, 7p

- Last night of Simbang Gabi followed by Christmas party at St. Dorothea. Fr. Mike presiding.

Wednesday Dec 24 & Thursday Dec 25

- Christmas Masses. See schedule on last page.

Friday Holiday Daily Masses: Dec 26 & Jan 2

- The Fridays which are the day after Christmas and the day after New Years are holidays. The offices will be closed. Daily Mass both Fridays will be at 9 AM at St. Dorothea.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec 13

5:30p Patricia Burns

Sunday

8:00a Cynthia Goldberg

9:30a Joan Miller & Gene Schiller

11:00a Barbara Flythe

Monday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

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8:30a deceased members of our parish family

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8:30a World Peace

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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

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP

The Society is looking for a volunteer interested in learning to manage our charitable assistance software to monitor the help we give to the poor. Other volunteer opportunities are also available, and help is greatly needed in certain areas to keep our organization moving forward. Please call our intake line at 732-939-6225 and leave your name and phone number so we can call to discuss our needs with you. Thank you!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering Nov 2	\$ 5,469
Offering Nov 9	\$ 5,914
Offering Nov 16	\$ 5,225
Offering Nov 23	\$ 4,674
2 nd Coll. Human Develop.	\$ 829

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **December** – Christmas Flowers (please put in regular collection)

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.

AID FOR THOSE HARMED BY FIRE, DISASTERS, AND WAR

To provide aid for those affected by the flooding and damage caused by hurricanes, fires, or other disasters, please give to Catholic Charities USA: catholiccharitiesusa.org

To aid those affected by natural disasters or war outside of the U.S., please give to Catholic Relief Services: crs.org

ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

Francis Room, 7 PM

Mondays, Jan 12

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. The Francis Room is the converted garage behind the Parish House. Enter through screened-in porch.

IN THE NEWS

U.S. Bishops at their yearly meeting have put out a statement on the treatment of immigrants. Read the statement here:

tinyurl.com/USBishopsImmigrants

HELP WANTED: COLLECTION COUNTERS

We are in need of help counting the weekend collections on Sunday mornings. If you’re able to help for about an hour once every few weeks, please contact the parish office.

Women's Annual Retreat

Weekend of Jan 23, 24 & 25

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office (32-222-4756 to make a reservation.

Men’s Retreat

Weekend of Jan 30-Feb 1

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The topic will be The Prodigal Son. The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office 732-222-4756 to make a reservation.

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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.

THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS

The Book of Intentions is for people to write down their prayers and requests and their struggles. As a community, we pray for those intentions at every Mass. Even if you don't write in any of your own intentions, it would be a spiritual gift for yourself and for those who write in their intentions if you would take a moment read those intentions and add those intentions to your own personal prayers.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Our "Mass Intention Book" is open for Mass intentions throughout the rest of 2025 and for all of 2026 for intentions for the dearly departed.

ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA RETREAT HOUSE

Fall 2022 Program

400 Route 35 North, So. Mantoloking, NJ

Our mission as Religious Teachers Filippini is to "Go forth and teach the Word of God." Our ministry on this holy ground is for the people of God who come to St. Joseph By the Sea for soul searching, trying to find peace in their lives and a God who understands them. Current brochure can be found on our website:

www.sjbsea.org

FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER

Fall 2022 Program

84 Wainford Rd, Allentown NJ

Francis House of Prayer serves the people of the Diocese of Trenton and beyond by providing a contemplative environment for ongoing spiritual growth which fosters the deepening of relationship with God, self, others and the world through: Spiritual Direction; Retreats; and, Spiritual Exercises. Current brochure can be found on our website: **www.fhop.org**

AA MEETINGS

Two AA groups meet at Precious Blood's Parish Center. There is a daily one that meets at 7 AM – but, in the Summer, they meet at the beach, unless inclement weather brings them back to inside the Parish Center.

The other group is weekly at 7:30 PM on Sundays.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

Sunday, Dec 21, 4 PM

St. Dorothea Church

Come enjoy a festival of carols from the combined choirs of St. Dorothea's Church Choir; St. Dorothea's Young Servants of the Lord; St. Dorothea's Filipino Choir; Precious Blood Church; St. Leo the Great Church; and the Choraliers of Eatontown; with the Hanbell Choir of St. Dorothea. Free to attend.

MONMOUTH COUNTY SIMBANG GABI

Inherited by the Filipinos from the Spaniards, Simbang Gabi ('Midnight Mass' – pronounced sihm – BAHNG' – gah - bee) is a Catholic devotion of nine consecutive nights for the joyful anticipation of Christmas. All are welcome to this festive Novena of Masses. Nights start at 6:30pm praying the Rosary followed by Mass at 7:00pm. The first night will be at St. Anselm, Wayside, Dec 12. The ninth and final night on Dec 20th will be at St. Dorothea with a big party following. All are invited. See flyer at the doors of the church.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

PRECIOUS BLOOD

CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY, DEC 24
2:00p; 3:30p; 11:00p

CHRISTMAS DAY, THURSDAY, DEC 25
9:00a; 10:30a

ST. DOROTHEA

CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY, DEC 24
2:30p Children's Liturgy;
& 4:00p; 11:00p

CHRISTMAS DAY, THURSDAY, DEC 25
9:30a; 11:00a

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays & Fridays after the Masses
& Mon, Dec 22 after daily Mass,
St. Dorothea

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

PRECIOUS BLOOD

WEDNESDAY VIGIL, DEC 31 AT 7 PM
THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 10:00 AM

ST. DOROTHEA

THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 12:15 PM

Please note: Beginning Friday, Dec 26, daily Masses at Precious Blood are suspended until Ash Wednesday. St. Dorothea's daily Masses continue as normal.