

# Church of the Precious Blood

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, Mar 7

5:30p Trudy Hill

### Sunday

8:00a World Peace

9:30a Carol Muratt & Heidi Schmelz

11:00a deceased members of our parish family

### Monday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

### Tuesday

8:30a deceased members of our parish family

### Wednesday

8:30a World Peace

### Thursday

8:30a deceased members of our parish family

### Friday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT MAR 8, 2026

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### **Weekend, Mar 8**

- Food Pantry drive

#### **Friday, Mar 13**

- Pasta Dinner Fund-Raiser, 5-7p, St. Dorothea School gym
- Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30p, St. Dorothea school meeting room

#### **Saturday, Mar 14**

- St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance

#### **Saturday, Mar 21**

- Lenten Soup Supper, 5 PM, St. Dorothea gym

#### **Sunday, Mar 22**

- Monthly Filipino/English Mass 3p, St. Dorothea



### LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 7:00 PM

### MARCH BI-MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

#### **This Weekend: Mar 7 & 8**

We have a bimonthly food drive to support the pantry located at St. Dorothea's. All food donations are welcome. There is a special need for:

- macaroni (but not spaghetti)
- ramen noodles
- condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo, dressing, etc...)
- detergent and other cleaning products (window, dish, dishwasher, laundry [but not softeners] – preferably unscented)
- juice

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

Religious Education has begun planning for next year (2026-2027). The program is looking for Teachers and Aides. Anyone who is interested, or simply has questions, can contact Deacon John at [jnotaro32@gmail.com](mailto:jnotaro32@gmail.com). The main quality in helping is a desire to share your faith with the children of the parish. Please pray and think about assisting! The program needs additional help.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP**

The Society is greatly in need for volunteers in certain areas to keep our organization moving forward. Any volunteers who are interested in learning to be intake callers or home visitors should call 732-939-6225 and leave your name and phone number so we can discuss our needs with you. Thank you!

**PASTA DINNER FUND-RAISER**

**Friday, Mar 13, 5 - 7 PM**

**St. Dorothy School Meeting Room**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pasta Dinner with salad, dessert, and drinks (coffee, tea, soda, water). BYO Beer or Wine. In lieu of the price of admission, there will be a donation offering that will go to the Special Needs programs for The Arc of Monmouth and Special Olympics NJ.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER-DANCE**

**Saturday, Mar 14, 6:30 - 10 PM**

**Precious Blood Parish Center**

Featuring: music, a DJ, dancing, Irish Dancers performing, appetizers, corned beef & cabbage, buffet dinner, Shepherd's Pie, Irish soda bread, coffee, tea, & dessert. \$35 (make checks out to Precious Blood). BYOB. Tickets are on sale at the parish offices or online at

[tinyurl.com/StPat2026](http://tinyurl.com/StPat2026). **Advanced tickets only by Monday, Mar 9.** No walk-ins. Info: Marion at... [mjmaloney58@gmail.com](mailto:mjmaloney58@gmail.com), 732-403-1825

**ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER**

**Saturday, Mar 21, after 4 PM Mass (~5 PM)  
St. Dorothea School Gym**

The St Vincent DePaul Society will sponsor our annual Soup Supper. After 4 pm mass or about 5 pm, you will have the opportunity to sample dozens of homemade soups.

Bread, soft drinks, and dessert will be part of the meal. As always, the supper is a free will offering, proceeds going to assist our less fortunate neighbors. We are seeking volunteers to make soup and/or desserts. Please contact... **Angela at 732-542-1634.**

**DEVOTIONS AFTER MASS AT ST. DOROTHEA**

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

**CONFESSIONS**

**St. Dorothea**

Tuesdays, after the 7:00 PM Mass

Fridays, after the 12:15 PM Mass

**Precious Blood**

Tuesdays & Fridays after the 8:30a 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

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering Jan Average	\$ 4,914
Offering Feb Average	\$ 6,199
Offering Mar 1	\$ 5,550
Ash Wed. for the poor	\$ 355
Average Weekend 2024	\$ 4,999
Average Weekend 2025	\$ 5,257

## SCHEDULE OF 2<sup>ND</sup>/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **Easter Flowers** – Please put in with the regular collection basket
- **Apr 3** – For the care of The Holy Land
- **Mother’s Day Novena** – please put in the regular collection
- **Apr 12** – Capital Improvements

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.

## ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

7p, in Francis Room at Precious Blood  
Mondays: Mar 9

*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.

## 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](http://catholiccharitiesusa.org)

To aid those affected by natural disasters or

war outside of the U.S., please give to Catholic Relief Services: [crs.org](http://crs.org)

## SUNDAY MASSES OF OUR ‘LINKED’ PARISHES

<b>PRECIOUS BLOOD</b>	<b>ST. DOROTHEA</b>
<b>Saturday Vigil: 5:30p</b>	<b>Saturday Vigil: 4:00p</b>
<b>Sundays: 8:00a, 9:30a, 11:00a</b>	<b>Sundays: 8:30a, 10:00a</b>

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<b>PRECIOUS BLOOD</b>	<b>ST. DOROTHEA</b>
<b>Monday - Friday: 8:30a</b>	<b>Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri. 12:15p</b>
	<b>Tuesdays: 7:00p</b>

## 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.

## CONCERT OF ENGLISH COMPOSERS

Sunday, Mar 15, 4:00 PM

Unitarian Universalist Congregation

1475 W. Front St., Lincroft NJ

Featuring music of English composers including Handel’s coronation anthems performed by The Shrewsbury Chorale. Tickets are available at the door, or, online at [shrewsburychoale.org](http://shrewsburychoale.org)

## FUND-RAISING CONCERT

Saturday, Mar 21, 7 PM

Strand Theater, Lakewood

Cori Scotti is a renowned vocalist who has sung for three popes and around the world. Among her many hats, she is the music director and administrator of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. This concert is to raise money for the Parish of OLG that had a fire a few months ago destroying the gym and

cafeteria of Holy Family School in Lakewood. Tickets are \$20; or, a VIP Ticket that includes a buffet dinner starting at 5:30p is \$50. For more info, see: [tinyurl.com/HFSconcert](http://tinyurl.com/HFSconcert)

### **NEXT BLOOD DRIVE**

**This Friday, Mar 13, 12:30 – 6:30 PM**

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

### **CONTACT CRISIS INTERVENTION HOTLINE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The next (6-week) training class for telephone volunteers for CONTACT (24-hour crisis intervention hotline) will begin on **Tuesday, Mar 10, 2026, twice a week for 6 weeks, every Tuesday & Thursday from 6:30-9:30 PM**. In-person training will be held at Christ Episcopal Church, 415 Washington St., Toms River 08753. CONTACT, a free and confidential service, has been assisting with the needs of individuals throughout the community since 1975, by providing a safe place for callers to talk about their problems with anonymity. Information and referrals are provided when requested. For additional training information, please call the CONTACT office – **732-240-6104. [contactoceanmonmouth.org](http://contactoceanmonmouth.org)**

CONTACT is a 24-hour Crisis Intervention and Listening telephone service for anyone who is in trouble, lonely, depressed, and suicidal or someone who just needs a person to listen to them. Volunteers are as close as the telephone 24 hours each day of the year, to listen and respond to the lonely, hurting people of our community. **Crisis Helpline 732-240-6100**

### **ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA RETREAT HOUSE**

**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](http://www.sjbsea.org)

### **FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER**

**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](http://www.fhop.org)

### **MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS**

Those celebrating milestone anniversary dates for their Church marriages, such as a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, or 60<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **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.