

Church of the Precious Blood

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FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS SEP 14, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, Sep 14

- Bi-monthly food drive

Sunday, Sep 21

- 11 AM Mass moved to the beach followed by the parish pot-luck picnic (weather permitting)

Sunday, Sep 28

- English/Filipino Mass 3p, St. Dorothea (2:30p Rosary).

Sunday, Oct 5

- The parish mission at Precious Blood begins this weekend

Week of Sunday, Oct 12

- Fall Faith-sharing groups start.

SCAN COMING TO PRECIOUS BLOOD

PARISH CENTER

Starting in September 2025

SCAN (Senior Citizens Activities Network), a 501©3 non-profit, serving Ocean and Monmouth Counties, will host its free and low-cost classes, workshops, and events at the Parish Center, Monday through Friday from 9a to 3p. Anyone age 55 or older can join SCAN, with an annual membership of just \$25. As a special welcome, all Monmouth Beach residents aged 55 and over and all members of Precious Blood or St. Dorothea Parish will receive a free first-year membership. Each semester, SCAN offers more than 40 diverse programs including.

Highlight Event: Are you a fan of Jazz Music? Join Jack's Jazz Radio Hour at SCAN. Come listen to some of the greatest music ever recorded with wonderful behind-the-scenes

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sep 13

5:30p Joan Ann Hennessey

Sunday

8:00a Jim Simonelli

9:30a Anthony Sgro

11:00a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Monday

8:30a deceased member of our Parish Family

Tuesday

8:30a World Peace

Wednesday

8:30a Mary Hinck

Thursday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Friday

8:30a deceased member of our Parish Family

stories told by Jack Livingstone, Monmouth County's favorite "Jazz Man." Each week you will enjoy yourself and learn about different vocalists and composers.

Additionally, SCAN presents 13 Lunch & Learn events per year featuring expert speakers, complimentary lunch, and networking. The organization also hosts two Brain Health Fairs annually and the beloved Senior Expo & Fashion Show, where local seniors strut the runway in outfits provided by Macy's. See...

scannj.org

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

SEPTEMBER FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

This Weekend: Sep 13 & 14

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

SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets sold: \$9,000 worth, take home prize of \$4,500. Though, over \$3,000 worth of ticket booklets have been signed out to be sold to family and friends, so, the take-home could be closer to \$6,000 – so far! 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. **Those who've sold a book, please bring the stubs to the parish office. Thank-you!**

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering Sep 7	\$ 5,658
In-pew	\$ 1,862
Mailed/dropped off	\$ 1,211
Online giving	\$ 2,585

Capital Improvements **\$ 2,153**

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	\$ 4,842
Aug'25	\$ 5,303		

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **Sep 21** – To help those in need thru our St. Vincent de Paul Society
- **Oct 19** – Military Chaplaincy
- **October** – **All Souls Novena** (please put in regular collection)

- **Nov 16** – Campaign for Human Development
- **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.

COME JOIN PRECIOUS BLOOD’S PARISH MISSION

Weekend Masses of Oct 5

Nightly Sessions, Mon-Wed, Oct 6-8, 7p

Topic: *Mission of Mercy & Hope*

Presented by: Fr. Kevin MacDonald, a Redemptorist priest from Woburn, Massachusetts. He entered the Redemptorist Missionary Order after attending Boston College and playing 7 years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization and overseas in Holland and Australia. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1991. He is currently assigned to the Redemptorist Community at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ. All are welcome!!

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS **Sunday, Oct 12, 2:00 PM**

Assumption, St. Isidore site, Wrightstown
A Sensory Friendly Mass is designed for all families with children or adults diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder or sensory sensitivities, or other disabilities. This is a regular Sunday Mass, with a flexible environment. After the Mass, we will join for a craft and refreshments. We invite all who are interested as a participating family or volunteer to attend our Mass. For more info and to RSVP, contact: hisdot2022@gmail.com

RAINBOWS FOR ALL CHILDREN **Ministry to Children and Families** **Experiencing Loss or Trauma**

Rainbows is a free program that helps children

heal after a life altering crisis due to separation, divorce, death, illness, or other family trauma through confidential support groups that helps to foster emotional healing. Rainbows trained facilitators use proven age-appropriate curriculum serving over 3 million children for 30 years. Support groups form for ages 5-8 years old, 9-12, 13-18, and for parents and guardians.

Participants find support and strategies for healing from loss or trauma, including management of behavioral skills and emotional growth and stability. Monmouth County has two groups meeting 6:30-7:30p: Mondays at Precious Blood, and Wednesdays in Freehold. Please consider participating yourselves, or, referring this program to others, or volunteering.

Enrollment: monmouthrainbows.org

Info: www.rainbows.org

Contact: Carol: 732-841-8456

ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

Resumes in the Fall, 7p, in Francis Room
Mondays, Oct 20, Nov 10

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

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

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, September 16, 2025**, 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 info, please call the CONTACT office – **732-240-6104. 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 732-240-610**

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

This 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.

SIGHT & SOUND'S NOAH **IN MOVIE THEATERS**

Thu – Wed, Sep 18-24, 7 PM

Noted for the live animals in their stage productions, Sight & Sound's staging of Noah

has been filmed and will show in theaters, including the local AMC in Eatontown.

BEACH MASS & POT LUCK PICNIC **SUNDAY, SEP 21, 11 AM MASS**

At Monmouth Beach Bathing Pavilion (29 Ocean Ave. N, Monmouth Beach). The 11 AM Mass is moved from the 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, and the picnic is cancelled. You do not have to attend the 11a Mass to join us for the picnic at noon!

PICNIC POT LUCK FOOD

Signup sheets are in the back of the church. We seek the following from those attending according to your last name, please bring:

A-H: side dish **I-Q:** dessert **R-Z:** appetizer
The parish will provide hamburgers, hot hogs, water, and soft drinks. Please bring extra chairs or folding table as it is likely there isn't enough picnic table seating.

PICNIC HELP WANTED

Anyone interested in helping with set up and cooking please contact the parish office.

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Open House: Oct 11 @9a, or, Oct 16 @7p
Located in Holmdel. **sjvhs.com 732-739-0800**

MONTHLY BILINGUAL (ENGLISH/FILIPINO) MASS

Every 4th Sunday at 3:00 PM

St. Dorothea Church

The Mass is celebrated in Filipino and English. Rosary prayer will begin at 2:30 PM. A fellowship luncheon will be served after the Mass. All are welcome!