HOLY CHILD PARISH

"Two beautiful churches, one GREAT parish."

St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus

13 E. Eve<mark>sham Road</mark>

St. Maria Goretti 321 Orchard Avenue

October 26, 2025 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WELCOME!

The parishioners of Holy Child Parish welcome you! All worshipers are invited to register by calling the Parish Office at (856) 939-1681

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church; no matter your family or marital status; no matter where you are in the practice of the faith; no matter your personal history, age or background; no matter what your self-image may be; YOU are invited, welcomed and loved at Holy Child Parish.

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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Exiit qui seminat - "The sower goes out to sow"

When a pope dies (or in Pope Benedict XVI's case, stepped down), it's not unusual for his successor to complete written works begun, but not completed by the previous pontiff. Pope Francis published the encyclical *Lumen Fidei*, 'the Light of Faith' in 2013. Pope Francis said that the letter was written "with four hands" signifying that Pope Benedict had completed the majority of the encyclical with Pope Francis adding contributions to the work. In many ways, Pope Leo XIV's apostolic exhortation, *Dilexi te* (taken from the words of the Book of Revelation, "I have loved you"), a document on the obligation of all Chris-

tians to love the poor, is directly connected to Pope Francis. Pope Leo writes, "This declaration of love, taken from the Book of Revelation, reflects the inexhaustible mystery that Pope Francis reflected upon in the Encyclical Dilexit Nos on the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ. There we saw how Jesus identified himself 'with the lowest ranks of society' and how, with his love poured out to the end, he confirms the dignity of every human being, especially when 'they are weak, scorned, or suffering.' As we contemplate Christ's love, 'we too are inspired to be more attentive to the sufferings and needs of others, and confirmed in our efforts to share in his work of liberation as instruments for the spread of his love'"(no. 2). Pope Francis was preparing this new document published by Pope Leo in the last few months of his life. Pope Leo literally makes *Dilexi* te his own and desires that all the faithful can realize "the close connection between Christ's love and his summons to care for the poor" (no. 3). There are five core themes of the document. First, poverty is more than 'bad luck' or individual misfortune. For many, being poor stems from injustice, exclusion and a loss of rights. Christian justice is that we, as a people of faith, give others that which they need, not only to survive, but to thrive, and even small acts of charity and unity with the poor can make a difference. Second, God entered into the world in poverty, and the incarnation, Jesus becoming one of us, shows not only His love but His solidarity with the poor. In addition, genuine faith must include mercy and justice. Third, Pope Francis, soon after his election as the successor of Peter, proclaimed, "How I would like a Church which is poor and for the poor!" The Church's identity is inseparable and united to our poor brothers and sisters. The life of the Church in service to those in need, how we love those who need it the most, is the backbone of the Church's credibility in the world. Fourth, the Church herself has been at the forefront of defending "the dignity of those on the margins of society" (no. 82). Over the past 150 years, the Church's Magisterium, her teaching office, has emphasized addressing poverty, injustice and exclusion throughout the world. *Fifth*, Pope Leo stresses that love for the poor is not optional, but rather integral to Christian discipleship. Such love calls for changes in our society on how we treat others and tangible acts of charity and kindness for the least of our brothers and sisters. The Church is constantly and spiritually renewed when we care for others in need. In closing, Pope Leo writes that, "Christian love breaks down every barrier, brings close those who were distant, unites strangers, and reconciles enemies. It spans chasms that are humanly impossible to bridge, and it penetrates to the most hidden crevices of society. By its very nature, Christian love is prophetic: it works miracles and knows no limits. It makes what was apparently impossible happen. Love is above all a way of looking at life and a way of living it. A Church that sets no limits to love, that knows no enemies to fight but only men and women to love, is the Church that the world needs today" (no. 120). Let us pray that through the example of our lives that we can be that type of Church to one another!

As the weather struggles to figure out what the temperature should be outside, I figured it's time for some soup! As I was cruising the internet, I came upon this beaut: "Marry Me Chicken Soup". It looks absolutely delicious. The only issue, as with most soups that I find appealing is that it requires heavy cream. It's like the universe is trying to say to me, "Father, you don't have ENOUGH fat in your diet. Here's some more!" I figure that I will make this soup eventually and, of course, misery loves company. So give it a shot and then call your cardiologist or start a cleanse soon after eating! God bless! https://www.allrecipes.com/marry-me-chicken-soup-recipe-8421914



Holy Child Parish Mass Intentions

Week of October 26

SATURDAY 29th Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am +Bobby Cox req by Family (ST)

4:30 pm +Jimmy Skalamera req by Mom & Dad,

+Philip Ritz req by Mike & Joann Ritz, +Charles Mansfield req by Eileen Martin,

+Patricia Walker req by Tom & Mary Beth (ST)

SUNDAY 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am +Stephen Asbury, Jr. req by Mother (ST)

9:00 am +Anna Martha Berry (25 years) req by sister (SMG) +Leona McWilliams req by Michael McWilliams,

+Frances Moore req by Rosemary Auge,

Healing Intentions for Dolores Fazi req by Barbie,

+Uncle Frank Acchione req by Pat & Donna Leuzzi (ST)

MONDAY 30th Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am +Gail Sentman req by husband, John (ST)

TUESDAY Sts. Simon and Jude

8:30 am +Mike Simon req by wife, Gina (ST) **WEDNESDAY 30th Week in Ordinary Time**

8:30 am +Lenora Gonnella reg by The Consiglio Family (ST)

THURSDAY 30th Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am +Sr. Kathleen Dunn, IHM req by the IHM Sisters (ST)

FRIDAY 30th Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am +Timothy McNasby req by Pasquale Penza (ST)

SATURDAY All Saints

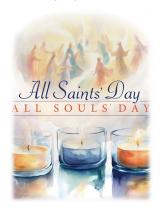
8:30 am +Henry Frances & Michael Whalen req by Jeanne Sigman (ST)

4:30 pm +Titus Powell (1st Anniversary) reg by wife & kids (ST)

SUNDAY All Soul's Day

7:00 am +Mass for All the Faithful Departed (ST) 9:00 am +Mass for All the Faithful Departed (SMG) 11:00 am +Mass for All the Faithful Departed (ST)

SMG = St. Maria Goretti Church, 321 Orchard Ave. ST = St. Teresa Church, 13 E. Evesham Road





Bread &
Wine Memorial
& Sanctuary
Candles
(the week of
Oct. 26-Nov. 1)

Bread & Wine
Memorial
(ST)
In
Memory Of
Madeline Bonadies
Req by
Family

The Blessed Virgin
Mary Candle burns:
(ST)
Healing
Intentions for
Maggie Schmidt
Req by
sister

Baptism

This week we welcome

Charlotte Danielle Lourenco

to the Church and our parish family. May you always remember this day, and may God's joy, love and peace fill you through all your tomorrows.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ST Chapel hours are as follows:

Monday & Wednesday
4PM to 7PM
Tuesday & Thursday
9AM to Noon
Friday (Date Night with Jesus)
7PM



Faith Formation Upcoming Events

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Faith Formation Office @ 856-939-0592 or holychildfaithformation@gmail.com

Walking together in faith!



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BOARD GAMES

LIFE SIZZE CHECKERS

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Come and join other families enjoying vintage favorites, board games, and much more.

Feel free to bring your own favorite family game to share.

No Cost. We only ask that you bring SNACKS to share.

Drinks will be provided. Call Faith Formation Office
for more details @ 856-939-0592

1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting Oct 27 - 7PM, STRS Hall



Many of our young children will soon begin preparing to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time. This is a beautiful Sacrament, instituted by Christ as a way for us to receive God's mercy and grace. It marks a very special time not only for our children, but also for their parents and families.

From the time your child was an infant, you have been teaching them how to make good choices and to recognize the difference between right and wrong. The preparation for First Reconciliation builds on that foundation in a new and meaningful way.

During our Parent Meeting, we will provide each family with a Preparation Packet that explains the *how's*, *why's*, and *requirements* of the Sacrament, along with details about our Family Component.

This is a mandatory meeting, where at least one parent must attend. We look forward to accompanying your family on this sacred journey of faith and forgiveness.



We joyfully welcome our newest Confirmation candidates as they begin their journey of faith toward receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, the final step in their initiation into the Church.

This sacred time invites them to be strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit and to deepen their relationship with God through prayer, preparation, service, and community.

As a parish family, we are here to guide, encourage, and support them as they embrace their call to live as acti<mark>ve</mark> witnesses of Christ within our faith community.



Teachable Moments Parish Office, 7PM Tues/Wed Evenings

October 28, Tuesday Evening Religion, the Bible and Tradition Presenter Fr Rob Sinatra

How do you define 'religion.' How is Sacred Scripture received, contemplated and put into effect in the life of the Church.

November 5, Wednesday Evening God and the Holy Trinity Presenter Deacon Dave

The doctrine of the Trinity is foundational to our Catholic faith. The question is how God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit relate to us and how we should relate to each.

November 12, Wednesday Evening Jesus, True God/True Man Presenter Joanna Schmidt

Jesus Christ, true God and true Man, took on human nature without ceasing to be divine. Come and hear more about God's love, the Father who gave his only Son and the Son who gave himself for us all.

ALL ARE WELCOME! This is open not only to parishioners, family members and friends!



Welcoming & Hospitality Committee Needs Help

This ministry is dedicated to fostering a warm and inclusive environment that strengthens the Body of Christ. We strive to help every parishioner recognize that they are a valued and vital part of Christ's living Church. Our goal is to help both new and longtime members grow more deeply connected to our parish family—spiritually and personally. We invite you to join us in this mission! One simple but meaningful way to serve is by helping us write cards of encouragement, congratulations, and *Spiritual Birthday* greetings. All supplies and sample messages will be provided. This ministry can be done from the comfort of your home—sharing Christ's love one card at a time.

For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 856-939-0592.



Parish Council Next Gathering Tues, November 4, 7PM @ SMG Hall

Our Parish Council sessions are open to all our parishioners. Please join us as we continue to promote unity and collaboration, encouraging active participation in the liturgical, educational, and service life of the Church.

Women's Prayer Group Gathering This Tuesday, October 28 7PM in St Teresa School Hall

This season, we will be taking a walk with the *Brave and Beloved* women of the Bible. God uses women from all walks of life to accomplish His work in the world. In their stories, we discover that God's design for womanhood is not one-size-fits-all, but beautifully diverse. Their courage, faith, and accomplishments inspire us to trust in God's goodness no matter where our roads may lead. We hope that you will join us as we grow and support

one another in faith. This is open to ALL women!



Sacrament of the Sick

Call the Parish Office to request a home or hospital visit.

Marriage

Arrangements are made at least one year in advance. One wedding may be scheduled on Saturday between 12:30–2:00 pm.

Confessions

Confessions are taking place on: Saturday 11AM to 12Noon & 3:45PM to 4:15PM at St. Teresa Church and Sun 8:15AM to 8:45AM at St Maria Goretti Church.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults interested in becoming Catholics and those Catholics who wish to complete their sacraments, call the parish office.

Pre-Jordan Class

The Pre-Jordan Program is a required class to prepare parents, who are having their babies baptized. These classes are only offered once a month at 7PM upstairs in the Parish Office please call the office to sign up. Sessions will be held:

> November 12, 2025 December 10, 2025

Baptism Scheduling

Baptisms are currently being held during our weekend Masses on **Sundays immediately following the 11am Mass.** May also be scheduled **upon request**. Please **call the Parish Office** to schedule a baptism or for more information.

Congratulations

We welcomed Eli Thomas Roetz and his family into our Parish Family through the waters of Baptism this past weekend. May you always remember this day, and may God's joy, love, and peace fill you through all your tomorrows.



Family Ministry



Creating opportunities for families of ALL ages to share faith in fun and innovative ways

Create or Refresh Family Advent Wreath

Friday, November 21 6:30PM - STRS Hall

We are very excited to bring back 'Creating a Family Advent Wreath'! Mark your calendars as registration opens in just two weeks!

Our goal is to continue fostering an environment where faith is nurtured and celebrated, helping us grow in a deeper understanding of God's love, grace, and purpose for each of us. Families will have the opportunity to refresh their current wreath or create a brand-new wreath together. Stay tuned!





All Souls' Day

Mass of Remembrance

Holy Child Parish has a long tradition of offering a special Mass each November for our parishioners who have died during the past year. This is a beautiful way to remember your loved ones and to join with other families in praying for your beloved deceased. We know from Scripture that "...it is a good and holy thing to pray for the dead." Our hope is founded in the promise of eternal life, earned for us by Christ's death and Resurrection.

Saint Pope John Paul II tells us there is no better way to remember our loved ones than to join with the saints, in praying for those who await the Beatific vision, so join us as we present to the Father of all mercy our intentions for those who have died.

Mass of Remembrance Friday, November 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. St. Teresa's Church All are welcomed!

If you lost a loved one this year who is outside of the Parish and would like to add their name at the Mass of Remembrance—please call Sister Lisa in the Parish Office at 856-939-1681 no later than Thursday, October 30th.



Saint Vincent dePaul

Do you need assistance for the holidays? If your family is experiencing difficulty because of Lack of Work, Medical Problems, Other Family Problems and you are in the towns of Glendora-Runnemede or if you have children in St Teresa School or Religious Education, you can call the St Vincent de Paul Society for strictly confidential assistance. We Can Help!

Anyone in need of a Thanksgiving Basket please call SVdP hotline 856-632-1765 by November 14. Leave your name and an unblocked telephone number and the best time to call you.

Clients must register!

Holiday Bulletin Announcement?

Reminder with the holiday approaching, all bulletin announcements need to be sent into the Parish Office 4 weeks in advance. Please plan accordingly.

E-mail: holychildpar-

<u>ish@comcast.net</u> with details of the information you would like in along with any photos. Thank you.

Altar and Rosary Society

Monthly Meetings Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month Starts at 7:00 PM

Location: SMG Hall

All ladies are invited to join us for prayer, the Rosary, and a time of fellowship. Be part of something great—become a member today!

Military Support Group of NJ

It's that time of the year to give thanks to our Service Men and Women who are deployed overseas during the holiday season.

If you want to help with filling holiday packages that will be mailed for Christmas, we are in need of the following items:

Small cans of nuts/ hard candy/ beef jerky/ slim jims/ granola bars/ peanut butter crackers/ sunflower seeds/ Uno cars/ dice/ playing cards/ puzzle books/ small size toiletries/ foot powder/ chap stick/ pens & pencils. Please leave in boxes for the troops in the back of the Church. Donations are due by Nov 9, 2025. Thank you

Military Support Group Mary Lickfeld 856-939-5969

LUNCH BUNCH

We are starting our monthly Lunch Bunch Gathering back up. Hope everyone had a relaxing & wonderful summer. We can not wait to see you all soon.

November 20, 2025 at 12:30 pm Passariello's Pizzeria 111 Laurel Oak Road Voorhees, NJ 08043



Contact Diana Querubin at 609-707-6357, if you'd like to join the LUNCH BUNCH. Everyone is welcome! You will have your own check and only pay for what you eat.



Online Giving



Did you know you can now give your parish giving online? Simply visit holychildparish.net and on the home page on top right hand side there is a link that says give in blue. Once on the parish giving page click sign up now and follow the steps. If anyone needs phone assistance you ish Giving can can. Friday for help. can call 866-307-7140 Monday-

PB&J Outreach

We gather to make sandwiches the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30am at SMGH. For those that make sandwiches at home, drop offs between 11-12:00 noon at SMGH. Please place the uncut sandwiches in individual zip



lock bags before placing them back in the original bread sleeve. Thank you for your generosity to the needy. All are invited to join in this wonderful ministry.

Next PB&J will be November 6 & 20

Senior Meeting

Thanksgiving is a special time to come together in gratitude for the many blessings in our lives.

We're pleased to welcome a guest speaker who will be available to answer questions about Medicare. All seniors in our parish are warmly invited to join us for a meaningful time of faith, fellowship, & fun.



When: Thursday, **November 13, 2025** Where: Saint Maria Goretti Hall Time: 10:30am

> *Seniors meet every 2nd Thursday of the month

Hats for the Homeless

We are once again collecting warm hats. gloves and scarves for the Homeless. (New only please) Boxes will be in the back of both churches starting this weekend. Collection until December 2025.

Donations are handed out at the Cathedral Kitchen in Camden. Any questions please call Joann 609-381-9435.



The 7th week of Football Mania Winners are.....

Barbara Bailey (3936-5A023) \$20, Kathleen Commack (3504–5A023) \$20 & Joe Bertolino (3710-5A023) \$20

Congratulations Barbara, Kathleen & Joe and thanks for playing.

Thank you for supporting Football Mania.

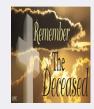


If you feel that you have a burning desire to help people get closer to Christ and to know the Truth, then perhaps you have a vocation to the priesthood. If you feel like God is calling you, call our vocations director Father Adam Cichoski at:

> 856-583-2864 or email him at adam.cichoski@camdendiocese.org

Compassionate Outreach

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



Karen Hill & Helen Bala

Please Pray for our Sick:

Our updated sick list (8/3/2025) is at all the entrances to our churches, and in the Adoration Chapel.

Adorers can pray for the sick (newly added): Tom Castellano, Diana Eleftheriou, Judy Costello, Mark Hanlon, Martin Joyce, Joan Davis, Dolores Gibbins, Caroline & Pat Rocco, Riley Crowder, Fran Lafferty, Angela Giordano, George Rollins, Maryann Eaton, Jennifer Jones, Tony Mangano and Fran Mangano

Lynn McClausland
Norm McConchie
Weezie
Michael Grecco
Danny & Julia Byrnes
Barb Farnsworth
Michelle Kettel

Virginia Venturo
Anthony Weiner
Joe Gordon
Michael Bonnette
Len Venturo
Edwin Hopkins
Maggie Schmidt

PRAYER LIST When names are put on the list, they will remain on the list for three months unless otherwise requested. If you would like to have a name on the list, please fill-out this form and return to the parish office or call the office at 856-939-1681. Thank you and God bless!

I would like to have the following name (s) entered on the Prayer List:

Requested by:	
Phone#	Data

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588.

Our Active Military

Jim Boyle, Tabatha Baur, Justin Warrender, Gianna Bowne, Nicholas Liberatore, Taylor Naphys, Lou Sampolski, Tyler Thomas, T.J. Swanson, Nicholas Cristinzio Justin Nairn & Nicholas LoCantore



Stewardship

Our weekly expenses are \$9,561.75 and our monthly expenses are \$38,247.

October 5—\$10,401.00 Pro-Life—\$2,322.00 October 12—\$8,844.00 Star Herald—\$1,430.50 October 19—\$7,748.00 World Mission Sunday—\$1,788.00

Second collections for October—

Pro-Life Collection—October 5 Catholic Star Herald—October 12 World Mission Sunday—October 19 **Thank you for your continued support.**

Telephone Prayer Chain Line

Please call with prayer intention requests to Theresa 856-939-4132 or Joan 856-939-4679 anytime. The telephone prayer chain line will activate for your loved one.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

Anyone can request a prayer quilt for someone in need of prayers. Call Eileen Martin 856-870-9228 or Diane 856-994-2734. A great gift of caring.

Saint Vincent dePaul Society is Available to Help in Various Ways

Food Pantry Open @ SMG Hall
* 2nd & 4th Wed of every Month 9AM to 10AM
If you are in need of food of any type, please stop
by SMG Hall during the above pantry hours.
Walk-Ins are welcome!

SVDP HOTLINE:

If you are in need of additional assistance, please call 856-632-1765 and leave a detailed message including town, needs and phone number. A SVDP member will return your call within 48 hours.

St. Teresa Student Council will once again be collecting Halloween candy for the sisters at Camilla Hall and also for the shelters in Camden. Please consider making a donation. Left Collection bins will be in the back of the church.

Please Donate:

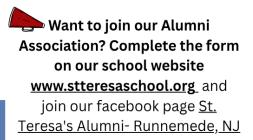






STRS will be participating in the iGiveCatholic campaign again this year. Our Goal of \$2500 is to replace our wellloved basketball nets and purchase new playground equipment.

With your help, we can ensure our students have the safe, engaging spaces they need to play, grow strong, and shine both on and off the court stay tuned for how you can help support our children.



Dine & Donate





Tickets available after mass and in parish office LAST CALL FOR ADVANCED TIX NOV 1st-then \$45 at the door



11/1 Gift card program begins- \$25 Acme, ShopRite, Walmart, Target cards will be sold after masses 11/2 Daylight Savings-Remember to change your clocks

11/6- Story Time 10-11a-prospective Pre-k students-must register sbayer@stteresaschool.org 11/7 Family Game night-FREE

-ST Hall-BYOSnacks

11/8 Designer Bag Bingo 7p-doors @5p advance tix \$35 parish office or call Drea 239.321.1997 11/11-Tuesday- Nifty Fifties-Dine & Donate -Must mention STRS

11/17 iGiveCatholic site opens for donations for new basketball nets