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

August 3, 2025 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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School Principal
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Faith Formation

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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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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome to

Holy Child Parish

Parish Office Hours are: Monday -Thursday: 9:00 am—2:30 pm Friday: 9:00 am—12:00 noon Saturday: 9:00 am—1:00 pm

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.

Baptism Scheduling

Baptisms are currently being held during our weekend Masses on Saturdays and Sundays, and may also be scheduled after the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass upon request. Please call the Parish Office to schedule a baptism or for more information.

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:

August 20, 2025 September 10, 2025 October 8, 2025 Exiit qui seminat - "The sower goes out to sow"

When my dad was a little kid, his family (both immediate and extended) scraped their shekels together and bought a house on New Jersey Avenue in North Wildwood. My dad's family and all of his cousins and their families would spend the entire summer crammed into this house, far from the confines of South Philadelphia where he grew up. The memories of these summers were the basis of my dad taking us to those same beaches for two weeks every year. We, too, were crammed into the top floor of a duplex on 8th Avenue. The rental had a kitchenette, one bathroom and no washer or dryer. My mom, God bless her, lugged our dirty clothes to the local laundromat. It was (and still is) glorious. Since I was two years old, I have spent almost every summer "down the Shore". While we are fortunate enough to no longer be crammed into small spaces, vacation has always been a place to relax and unwind. As a priest, I used to only take a week off at a time, but I have seen the wisdom of taking the majority of my vacation all at once. It is helpful in recharging my batteries for the flurry of activity that occurs at the end of summer. Canon 532 §2 of the 1983 Code of Canon Law states, "Unless there is a grave reason to the contrary, a pastor is permitted to be absent from the parish each year for vacation for at most one continuous or interrupted month ..."

In taking a huge chunk of time away, there is more than a little guilt that creeps in. Not many people have the opportunity to take 3 weeks off from work, let alone in the midst of the constant business of parish ministry. It is important to be aware and respectful of the hard and tireless work of the good people of the parish. However, physically and spiritually, it is good to get away. Throughout the Gospels, we see several examples of Jesus seeking physical rest, spiritual rest or both. As the People of God, it is good to rest, not just on the Sabbath, but other times too. It is good to spend time with family and friends and enjoy the ties that bind us together and make us whole. As my parents grow older, I am acutely away that we may not have a whole lot of summers left to enjoy vacation together as a family. Pardon my "selfishness" as I hold on to our time together tightly with both hands. I hope and pray that you too have or will get some time away or be able to step back and relax. Know that as your pastor, I am obligated to pray for you even when I am on vacation! And God-willing, I will be back with you refreshed and renewed as the mission of the Church continues! See you on the Feast of the Assump-

tion! God bless!

My sister Kathy usually celebrates her birthday while we're on vacation. It is a staple of being down the Shore to have Lemon Meringue Pie for the occasion. You can find the recipe here: https://sallysbakingaddiction.com/lemon-meringue-pie/

Holy Child Parish Mass Intentions

Week of August 3

SATURDAY St. Eusebius of Vercelli, St. Peter Julian Eymard

8:30 am Michael C. Harkins req by The Garbarino Family (ST) 4:30 pm Kathleen McKoskey req by Lenora & Frank O'Donnell,

Deceased members of the Constantino Family req by family,

John M. Iacovino req by Gloria & Rick (ST)

7:00 am Dee Good reg by family (ST)

9:00 am Maureen Teti req by Annemarie Loggia (SMG) 11:00 am Josephine M. DiMartinis req by Pat & Gene Smith,

Joseph Ambrico req by wife, Eileen,

Helena Sumen (100th Birthday in Heaven) req by daughter (ST)

MONDAY St. John Vianney

8:30 am David Ferruzzi req by Theresa Laviano (ST)

TUESDAY The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8:30 am Birthday Blessings for Terri Thompson req by a friend (ST)

WEDNESDAY The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30 am Kathleen Magnotta reg by Anna Maria & Jeff Sullins (ST)

THURSDAY St. Sixtus II & Companions; St. Cajetan

8:30 am Sr. Ellen Convery, IHM req by The IHM Sisters (ST)

FRIDAY St. Dominic

8:30 am Michael C. Harkins req by The Harkins Family (ST)

SATURDAY St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8:30 am James Leo Skanes reg by Phyllis Madgey (ST)

4:30 pm Doris Kavanagh req by Michael McWilliams & Donna Hale,

Maureen Forte req by daughter, Elaine (ST)

SUNDAY 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Jimmy Minniti reg by The Ruberti Family,

Patricia Sigman req by family (ST)

9:00 am Frank E. Pacelli reg by Wosczyna Family (SMG)

11:00 am Florence (Floss) Sparano,

Kathleen S. O'Keefe req by The DeCaro Family (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 August 3-9)

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle burns: (ST)

In memory of Maggie Schmidt

The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle burns: (SMG)

In memory of Richard L. McHugh req by daughter, Michelle



Masses for the Assumption:

Thursday, August14th:

 \Rightarrow 4:30 PM at

St. Teresa's Church

⇒ Friday, August 15th: 8:30 AM at

⇒ St. Teresa's Church 12:15 PM at St. Marie Goretti

Church

⇒ 7:00 PM at St. Teresa's Church

Mass Cards & Candles

You may request a Mass for almost any intention, in the Parish Office, Monday-Saturday. We have remembrances for Masses, Candles and Offertory Gifts for your faith-filled gift to a loved one.





Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Chapel hours are as follows:

Monday & Wednesday
4PM to 7PM
Tuesday & Thursday
9AM to Noon

NEW~ Get Well Mass cards are available.

Get to Know Jesus 5 Minutes a Day w/ Bishop Barron Word on Fire



We all have five minutes somewhere within our day. Why not spend it getting to know Jesus a little better. Word on Fire offers either a daily or weekly devotional which is perfect for busy mornings and quiet evenings, when you need a few moments of peace. Each reflection offers a simple format offering an excerpt from one of the Gospels, a personal reflection by Bishop Barron as well as a short prayer. All done within 5 minutes!

It's easy and take just a few minutes to sign-up. And did we mention it's FREE!

Daily Gospel Reflections via Text

Start a new text message:

For the Phone# type: 84576

For the message text type: **HCENGAGE**

You will then receive a link. Click onto it

ENTER: Your name CLICK: Sign Me Up







Eucharistic Adoration with Our Lord EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT From 7-8 PM at St. Teresa Church

When was the last time you made a date night?

We make plans to spend time with those we care about—a quick bite to eat, a walk in the park, or just some time together. These moments strengthen our relationships and remind us of the value of connection.

But what about setting aside time for the most important relationship of all?

How about a date night with Jesus?

Unlike any other invitation, this one comes with a promise: *He'll never say no.* He's always ready to listen, to comfort, and to walk alongside us. In Isaiah 1:18, our Lord says, "Come now, and let us reason together." That's not just an invitation—it's a personal call from the heart of God.

Just like with friends or loved ones, investing time in your relationship with Jesus brings deeper connection, peace, and joy.

So why not carve out that time?

Join us every Friday night for "Date Night with Jesus."

Come as you are. Bring your heart. And spend some quality time with the One who loves you most.

DONATE BLOOD



Blood Drive

Holy Child Parish Saint Maria Goretti Hall 321 Orchard Ave., Runnemede, NJ 08078

> Monday, August 4, 2025 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Make an appointment to donate!

Give in August for a \$15 Gift Card by email & successful donation For an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org Or call Tamarris at 856-912-9291

Teachable Moments – OCIA



Summer Program Running

Every Tuesday Evening 7PM in the Parish Office

We are excited to be starting our Summer Teachable Moments Sessions. This is open to ALL parishioners.

Aug 5 – Reconciliation – It's All About Attitude Presenter: Joanna Schmidt

To make a confession, certain steps and attitudes are essential. Acknowledging, wanting, committing. How can we develop an attitude that changes the way we think and react. In turn, how can the Beatitudes help us to reflect on our attitude in relation to faith, identifying areas of concern in our life. How can we better approach God's love with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Aug 12– Gifts of the Spirit Shape our Mind and Will

Confirming Faith on a Daily Basis Presenter: Joanna Schmidt

Spiritual gifts are often seen as divine endowments, significantly shape both our minds and wills. Join us as we discuss their unique perspectives, motivations, and abilities that influence how we think, feel, and act, helping to move beyond, fostering growth, unity, and a deeper understanding of God's will.

Stay Informed and Connected

As summer is wrapping up and the seasons change, it's more important than ever to stay updated with the latest information. Please make sure to like us on Facebook and confirm that you are added to our Global Connect system. These are the quickest and most effective ways for us to share important updates with you in a timely manner.

We are committed to keeping you informed and safe—especially during times when rapid communication is key. Stay safe, and thank you for staying connected!

Name:	 	
Phone Number:		

Thank you

Who are my Faith Supporters Meet our 2025 Confirmation Candidates

A have always had my parents and my sister as faith supporters in my life. Though they were not the only ones, they helped to promote my Catholic identity and shaped me into who I am today. Blessing me with a Catholic education was one of the most notable ways my parents introduced me to my faith, but there were many other small acts too; such as tucking me in at night and reminding me to say my night time prayers, saying grace before meals, attending Mass and being helpful and kind to others. They helped me to see the good in everything that happened in my day to day life and to always count my blessings, regardless of how small they may seem.



I chose my sister to be my sponsor for Confirmation. She has always been a good role model for me and taught me how to stand up for myself and for others. Like most siblings we havent always seen eye to eye, but I have grown to have a much closer relationship with her in the past year. She guides me through everyday problems and prepares me as much as she can. I trust her like I trust myself, and I know she will always be honest with me, even if I don't want to hear the truth. It's this honesty that keeps me humble. She teaches me not only how to be a faithful Catholic, but also how to make good choices, no matter how difficult they are to make.

Due to my faith support system, I would say my relationship with God is strong. I pray as much as I can and try to follow in Jesus' footsteps. I usually pray for good judgement and motivation to be the best person I can possibly be. I am grateful to God for my many blessings and I know I can also turn to God in times of struggle as well. Through my continued faith, my school, and the support of my family, I know I will continue to build my relationship with God and overcome any obstacles that come my way.



Reminder to get your registrations in for Religious Education Sessions for September 2025-2026

Have you sent in your re-registration forms for our September Sessions? If not, we ask that you please have them in before August 10 so we can start working on our 2025/2026 rooster.

Special Needs Youth of ALL Ages Embrace – Engage - Empower

We are excited to be working with several families with special needs children from 6 years old to 14 years old. We have been adapting our religious education curriculum to meet the needs of each of these children. There are times when a parent has sat in with their child. For others, we have an aid that can sit with student, helping each to work through various activities at their level. Their presence as well as that of our aides within our program is a sign and symbol of God's love for us all.

Sacramental Preparation:

All children who have been baptized are entitled to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Do you have a child that needs to complete the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation. If so, please contact us for more information on how we can better support your family!

Adult Aides Needed:

As this portion of our Faith Formation program grows, we can always use more upcoming aides, that can help on a need's basis. If you have the time to sit with a student and help them following in their book and complete classroom activities, please let us know. We can't do this alone!

Attention New 1st Grade Parents Important Sacramental Info regarding First Communion

Why talk about sacraments now? Mainly because the Diocese mandates that each sacrament carry with it a 2-year preparation program. Meaning, if you want your child to receive 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion in 2nd grade, they completed First Grade preparation through Religious Ed Sessions or through Catholic School.

Attention New Kindergarten Parents

Did you know for the past 7 years we have offered an amazing Kindergarten Class. Our young parishioners are just beginning their spiritual journey, in turn during our Religious Education sessions, create an awareness of all of God's creation as well as Jesus' great love for them as the Good Shepherd. They are introduced to aspects of faith through stories, songs and crafts that help them see God's love and desire for personal relationship with each of us, and how we can respond to God's invitation.



Is your child up to date with Sacraments? Rite of Christian Initiation for Children 3rd Grade thru 8th Grade

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Children is open to all children in Grades 3 through 8 that are unbaptized and/or in need of receiving the Sacraments of Baptism and/or First Communion. Whether your family is just entering the Church, returning to the practice of the Catholic faith, or delayed your child's sacramental preparation, all are welcome.

We hope that you will take advantage of such great opportunities to start our Early Learners on their path to discovery all that God is and has to offer us. For more information, please contact Joanna in our Faith Formation Office 856-939-0592



WIN \$1,000s!

Support Holy Child Parish.

Have a blast playing this exciting sweepstakes based on professional football! Get your game cards and WIN!

Special Offer:

Buy five (5) cards and get one (1) free. (All six cards must be purchased by the same individual; offer cannot be split among multiple buyers.)

Number of Tickets:	Donation	Total Amount
	X \$20.00	
Name going on the	he ticket:	
First Name:		
Last Name:		
Address:		
State:		
Zip Code:		
Phone Number:_		
Email Address:		

Online Giving

Did you know you can now give your parish giving online? Simply visit holychild-parish.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 can call 866-307-7140 Monday-Friday for help.



If you feel that you have a burn ing 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

Rosary Reminders

The Rosary is being recited Daily Monday-Friday at 8am and Saturdays at 9am at Saint Teresa's Church. Also the first Wednesday of every month at Saint Maria



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.

Please Donate

Summer is here and just in time to refresh your home & closets. As you refresh your home think about donating old clothes into the POD located in STRS parking lot across the street from the school. All donations make a difference. Thank you.



Mark your calendars for up and coming Bingo events! Join us every Tuesday morning and Thursday Night for daily Bingo at SMG Hall.

Last Super Bingo for the year:

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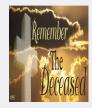
Oct 18, 2025 1PM Start
Don't miss out!

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Compassionate Outreach

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



Nicholas Consolo, Lenore Gonnella, Louis Heck, Thomas K. Connelly & Dee Good

Please Pray for our Sick:

Our updated sick list (9/15/24) is at all the entrances to our churches, and in the Adoration Chapel.

Adorers can pray for the sick: Lynn McClausland, Virginia Venturo, Baby Lily, Norm McConchie, Weezie, Joe Gordon, Michael Grecco, Natalie Lerro, Danny & Julia Byrnes, Len Venturo, Barb Farnsworth, Edwin Hopkins, Michelle Kettel, Michael Bonnette

Andrea Emilia Bernabey
Marie Ritz
Rick Gardner
Denise Hagerty
Joan Giordano
Nancy Mejia
Denis & Geri Golinski
Fran Mangano

George McErlain Joe Bertolino Baby Cade Eleanor DiStefano Maureen Forte Andrew Ketcham

Tony Mangano

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:

on the Trayer List.		
Requested by:		
Phone#	Date	_

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.

July 6—\$9,087.00 July 13—\$7,896.00 Pastoral Solidarity Fund—\$1,449.00 July 20—\$7,468.00 July 27—\$7,367.90 Star Herald—\$1,243.00

Second collections for August— School Support—August 24, 2025

Thank you for your continued support.

Poor Box

If you pass the poor boxes could you possibly throw some change for the SVdP Society. God Bless.



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.



Saint Teresa Regional School

St. Teresa School offers +PRE-K3 3&5 day & PRE-K4 5 day, +Kindergarten-8 full day Before-care beginning at 6:30 AM. After-care until 5:30 PM.

Tuition assistance is available. Please call (856) 939-0333 or Email AD@stteresaschool.org for information.

Visit us online at www.stteresaschool.org





Can YOU be a STRS Designer Bag Sponsor?

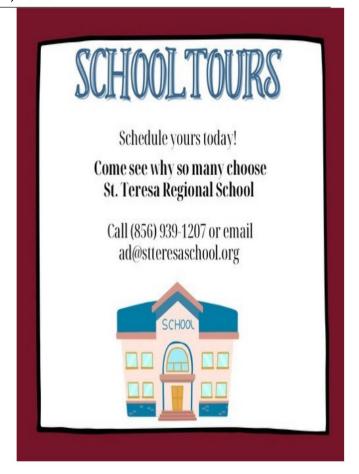


As we prepare for the upcoming Designer Bag Bingo, we are asking for bag donations and sponsors. If you or your business is able to donate a bag or cash, or if you have any questions, please contact Drea Pierce -Call or text (239)-321-1997 Thank You!



Is your STRS student having a fun summer traveling, learning or playing? Send us pics of your student having summer fun to post on our socials.

email: jdorris@stteresaschool.org



Please Join us for our Summer USED UNIFORM



Tuesday, August 12th 4p-8p St Teresa School

Please feel free to stop in and see what is available to prepare for your back to school uniforms.

Donations of gently used uniforms can be brought to the event as well. We appreciate your donations!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, e-mail jdorris@stteresaschool.org