HOLY CHILD PARISH

"Two beautiful churches, one GREAT parish."

St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus

13 E. Evesham Road

St. Maria Goretti 321 Orchard Avenue

September 21, 2025 25th 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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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

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:

October 8, 2025 November 12, 2025

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.

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

After a two-week hiatus, we return to discuss the 4th principle of the 2nd Vatican Council as a point of emphasis by Pope Leo XIV: attention to the 'sensus fidei' (the people of God's sense of the faith), especially in its most authentic and inclusive forms, such as popular piety. The sensus fidei or, as it is also known as, the sensus fidellium is an ancient and long-standing concept in the life of the Church. As baptized members of the Body of Christ, we have an innate spiritual sense to us. Being made in the image and likeness of God we are made for spiritual things. For example, while the Church hierarchy were embroiled in debate and controversy regarding the divinity of Christ in the 4th century, the People of God strongly held to the belief that Jesus was both fully human and fully divine. It was also from the faithful that the Church herself has such a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the martyrs and the saints. In fact, the Immaculate Conception and the Assumption of Mary were long held as beliefs by the laity before they were made official doctrines of the Catholic Church in 1854 and 1950 respectively. Lumen gentium, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church and a document of the 2nd Vatican Council describes the **sensus fidei** in this way: "The entire body of the faithful, anointed as they are by the Holy One, cannot err in matters of belief. They manifest this special property by means of the whole peoples' supernatural discernment in matters of faith when 'from the Bishops down to the last of the lay faithful' they show universal agreement in matters of faith and morals" (no. 12). As we discussed when we talked about the concepts of collegiality and synodality, it is the entire Church (laity, religious and clergy) that has an important and indispensable role in spreading the Gospel. The sensus fidei manifests itself in the life of believers in 3 ways: 1. We can discern whether or not a particular teaching or practice is actually authentic to the life of faith and the Church. 2. We can distinguish in preaching the things that are absolutely necessary to aid us in our journey to heaven and what is secondary (not essential). 3. We know in our hearts what we have to put into practice as followers of Jesus Christ in the particular world in which we live. While always interpreted through the lens of the Holy Spirit and adherence to the teachings of the Church, the sense of the faithful and how that sense informs our prayer is still very much the lifeblood of the Church. Popular piety and devotions flow from our faith and, at the same time, nourish it. Praying the rosary, novenas, devotions to our Blessed Mother and the saints remain as relevant today as they did centuries ago. Devotionals sometimes get a bad rap as being too old fashioned or passe. That couldn't be less true. The rosary, structured prayer, popular devotions are never ends unto themselves, but are the leaping off point to contemplating and entering ever deeper into the mysteries of our faith. It's one of the reasons why I've restored the novenas to St. Thérèse of Lisieux and St. Maria Goretti as well as trying to promote "Date Night with Jesus" every Friday evening. Also, in the beginning of 2026 we'll be starting up the novena to the Infant of Prague (kind of goes along with the whole Holy Child thing)! Of course my spirituality is more traditional in nature, but I would not be doing my job as pastor if I wasn't open to promptings of the Holy Spirit manifested in the voices of the faithful. So let us pray and foster the sensus fidei in our parish and pray for the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives!

We've talked about the voice and sense of the faithful. Now it's time to listen to the rumblings of my stomach!!! I saw being made in a video the other day and I thought to myself, "I HAVE GOT TO MAKE THIS!!!" I've already purchased the ingredients and just have to carve out some time to make it. I give you ... Corn Pop Crack! https://divjoy.com/corn-pop-crack-recipe/ Because I have done the research, a Family Sized Box of Kellogg's® Corn Pops® is 16.4 oz and a Giant Sized Box is 22.6 oz. You may have to do some math in order to make the ratios of the recipe correct. Good luck and don't be afraid to share!!!

Holy Child Parish Mass Intentions

Week of September 21

SATURDAY Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions

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

4:30 pm +John M. Iacovino req by Gloria & Rick (ST)

SUNDAY 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am +Joseph Kwiatkowski & all dec'd members of family req by family (ST)

9:00 am +Ed Orsatti reg by Henni & family,

+Louis Heck req by Cathy & Bob Bush (SMG)

11:00 am +Susan DiMaulo req by Debbie Angelastro (ST)

MONDAY 25th Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am +Rawley Heibel, Sr. reg by The Heibel Family (ST)

TUESDAY St. Pius of Pietrelcina

8:30 am + Joan DeMarshall reg by husband & children (ST)

WEDNESDAY 25th Week in Ordinary Time 8:30 am +Mike Simon reg by wife, Gina (ST)

THURSDAY 25th Week in Ordinary Time ~ Novena to St. Therese

8:30 am +Louis Bagnato, Sr. req by Gina Simon (ST)

FRIDAY Sts. Cosmas and Damian ~ Novena to St. Therese 8:30 am + Michael C. Harkins req by The Harkins Family (ST)

SATURDAY St. Vincent de Paul ~ Novena to St. Therese

4:30 am +Michael C. Harkins req by The Harkins Family (ST) +Stephen Baker req by Deacon Len & Pat Carlucci,

+Charles Mansfield req by Bob & Nancy Basara, +Marysue Tarzaiski req by Helena Perla (ST)

SUNDAY 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Novena to St. Therese

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

9:00 am +Edwin Miller (4th Anniversary) req by friend, Barb Barbieri (SMG)

11:00 am + Charles Mansfield reg by The Garbarino Family,

+Donald C. Newman req by Deacon & Mrs. David Harkins,

+Joseph W. Reiners reg by Cathy Schmidt (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
September 21-27)

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle burns: (ST)

In memory of
Natale &
Rosemarie Branca
Req by
Daughter &
Son-in law



Mass Book

The Mass Book for the year 2026 is open!

Appointments can be scheduled by calling the Parish Office at **856-939-1681**. Thank you, and God bless!

Baptism

This week we welcome

Sloane Ivy Bilodeau

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

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Faith Formation Office 856-939- 0592

holy child faith formation @gmail.com

Walking together in faith!

Religious Education Sessions Attention Parents of 1st Grade Students

We've had several families reach out this past week asking if it's too late to sign up for Religious Education. Because the Diocese requires a **two-year preparation program** for each sacrament, it's important to begin in 1st grade.

If your child is currently in 1st grade and enrolled in public school and you would like them to receive their First Communion in 2nd grade — please contact our Faith Formation Office THIS WEEK to get them registered.



LV1 Inscription
Retreat & Mass
Saturday, October 6
6:30PM @ STRS Hall
Ending with the
4:30PM Mass

Inscription Retreat

The Inscription Retreat offers our new Confirmation preparation candidates an opportunity to pause from their busy daily routines and focus on their personal relationship with God. It invites them to reflect on important questions such as: Where is God in my life? How can I become a more active member of the Catholic Church?

Through various activities, we begin to build a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, the gifts of the Spirit, and the meaning of being confirmed in the faith.

Mass of Inscription

The Mass of Inscription is a special ceremony that prepares our young people and their families for the steps leading to the Sacrament of Confirmation.

During this celebration, the candidates are formally presented to the pastor and to the parish community as willing participants, publicly saying "yes" to taking the next steps in their journey of initiation and growth in faith.

LV2 Confirmation Candidate Session

Monday, October 6 6:30PM @ STRS Hall

Catechetical Sunday

Preparing to Share the basis of our faith, the Lord and the Hope He provides

Our theme for this catechetical year is: "Always be ready to give an explanation ... for a reason for your hope." (1 Peter 3:15). This theme calls us to reflect on the importance of sharing our faith and the hope we have in Christ with others. St. John Paul II reminds us: "Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and mission. We are called to be Eucharist by word and action to our brothers and sisters in Christ."

This Sunday, at the 11:00 AM Mass, we will honor all who teach the faith — catechists, volunteers, and especially parents — whose role in forming their children in the faith is the most vital of all.

Sacramental Parent Meetings

As parents, you play the most important role in your child's sacramental preparation. You are their first and most influential teachers in the faith, guiding them as they grow closer to Christ. Your active interest and involvement help shape how your son or daughter understands both the sacrament and the Christian life itself, making this a truly meaningful and fruitful experience.

Below are mandatory parent meetings where at least one parent needs to be in attendance.

LV1 Confirmation Mandatory Parent Meeting September 29, 7PM @ STRS Hall

> First Reconciliation Parent Meeting October 27, 7PM @ STRS Hall

Welcoming & Hospitality Committee Gathering, Monday, October 13 7PM in the Parish Office

Our mission is to build up the Body of Christ by helping every parishioner discover how they can be an important part of Christ's living Church. We aim to connect both new and current parishioners more deeply with our parish family, spiritually and personally.

Currently, each new parishioner receives a welcome letter from the parish, in turn our Hospitality Committee will follow up with a personal, warm phone call. We also invite everyone to join us on the first Sunday of the month for Hospitality Sunday, a wonderful opportunity to meet and get to know our parish family better.

Another aspect will be to write out congratulatory cards to our OCIA Candidates, First Communion, and Confirmation Candidates.

These are just a few of the initiatives we will be bringing to fruition over the next few months. If you would like to help in any way, please join us at our next gathering. For any questions, feel free to contact the Faith Formation Office at 856-939-0592.



St Teresa of Lisieux Novena Starts

Tues, September 23
"I will spend my Heaven doing good on Earth!"

September 23-26, Tuesday thru Friday Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass Novena and Reflection at 7PM, St Teresa Church

September 27, Saturday
Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass
4:30PM Mass

Novena recited during each of our morning Masses

September 29-30, Monday and Tuesday Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass Novena and Reflection at 7PM, St Teresa Church

October 1, Wednesday Feast Day of St Teresa
7PM Mass Celebrating Feast Day, St Teresa
Church

Women's Prayer Group Postponed to October 28

Giving way to St Teresa Novena on Sept 23



With the St. Teresa Novena beginning on Thursday, September 23, we will be postponing our next session until October. We want to give everyone the opportunity to participate fully in the Novena without having to choose between the two.

We invite you to join us for **Fellowship and Support,** that created a welcoming space where you can share at your own pace and comfort level, while receiving encouragement and companionship along the way.

Most importantly, you will **find strength in num-bers**: Together, our prayers carry both purpose and power. We hope you will come and be part of this time to reconnect, grow, and support one another in faith.

This gathering is open to all women of all ages. You do not need to be a parishioner to join us – family and friends are always welcome!



CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS

Come and grow your faith, serve your community and build lasting friendships.

Become an Altar Server!



Altar Servers are an important part of the Mass, enhancing the reverence of our liturgical celebrations by assisting the priest during Mass and other special liturgies.

Becoming an altar server is also a wonderful opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Mass while taking an active role in our Church family. What a great way to grow your faith, serve your community, and build lasting friendships!

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Any young parishioner in 3rd grade or higher, who recieved the Sacrmanet of First Communion is eligible. We will be conducting Altar Server Training at the end of September.

Please fill this out the below Registration Form and return it to either the Parish Office or through, Religious Education or STRS. For more information please call our Faith Formation Office @ 856-939-0592.

ALTAR SERVER MINISRY REGISTRATION FORM

Name:		Height:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
School:		Grade:
Mother's Name:	Cell Phone:	
Fatherr's Name:	Cell Phone:	
Email Address:		
PREFERRED MASS TO SERVE		ADDITIONAL:
PLEASE LIST 1ST AND 2ND CHOICE	I WOULD LIKE	TO ALSO SERVE THE FOLLOWING AS NEEDED
Saturday, 4:30PM Mass (St Teresa) Sunday, 7:00AM Mass (St Teresa) 9:00AM Mass (St Maria Goretti) 11:00AM Mass (St Teresa)	Wedding	Masses gs Massses
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Bereavement Starting Dear Friends.

Thank you to all who have been part of our grief support groups. Your willingness to share your stories and trust me—and one another—with



Grief Support

your thoughts and emotions continues to be both humbling and inspiring. It has truly been an honor to walk beside you on your healing journey.

Our current 6-week group has begun and meets Mondays at 6:00 PM at the Parish Office Building. Even though the group is in session, the door remains open each week for anyone who may feel ready to join. Whether you're returning or coming for the first time, you are welcome here.

If you're a past participant, we'd love for you to stop by, say hello, and share how you've been. You're always part of this community.

With gratitude,

Dawn Lipomi

6 609-405-2745

Senior Meeting

Bring your sing along voices and dancing shoes as we celebrate All Hallows Eve for a great time with "Star Band", provided by Camden County. All seniors in our parish are warmly invited to join us for sharing in faith, fellowship, and fun.



When: Thursday, October 9, 2025 Where: Saint Maria Goretti Hall Time: 10:30am

> *Seniors meet every 2nd Thursday of the month

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 October 2

Poor Box

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





HELP SUPPORT
HOLY CHILD
SENIOR OUTREACH
ONE DAY ONLY WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 22, 2025
SHOP 8AM - 11PM
BACK BY POPULAR
DEMAND IS SHOP
IN-STORE & ONLINE

Donate \$5 and Enjoy: •25% OFF DISCOUNT SHOPPING PASS

Come into the Parish Office and purchase your shopping pass or they will be sold after all Masses on the weekend of October 11 & 12 to aid the Holy Child Outreach ministry while supplies last. Purchase one for you and your friends.

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.

September 25, 2025 at 1:00 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.



The 1st & 2nd week of Football Mania winners are.....

Week #1 James Kendall (3424-5A023) \$20, Anna Wilson (3527-5A023) \$20 and Bob & Judy Rudderow (3374-5A023) \$20

Week #2 Angela Leenig (3806-5A023) \$20 & Florance DeMark (3763-5A023) \$20

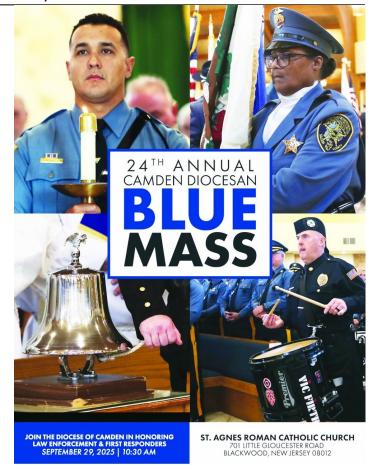
Congratulations Anna, Bob & Judy and thanks for playing.

Thank you for supporting Football Mania.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025



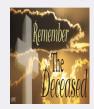






Compassionate Outreach

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



Daniel Rudolph

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): Dolores Gibbins, Caroline & Pat Rocco, Riley Crowder, Fran Lafferty, Angela Giordano, George Rollins, Maryann Eaton and Jennifer Jones

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#	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.

September 7—\$7,895.00 Cath. Univ.of America—\$1,470.00 September 14—\$9,642.00

Second collections for September— September 7—Cath. Univ. of America September 21—Utilities (Heat)

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.

