

St. Dorothea Church

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Rev. Michael Sullivan, Pastor ♦ Rev. Andrés Serna, Parochial Vicar



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec 20

4:00p Lonn Mullen & Doris Knipper

Sunday

8:30a Gelsomina Derocco & Diane Deitz

10:00a dec'd of Ciaravino Family & Jake Monteiro

Monday

12:15p Mike Ivanko & Ann Scanlon Campbell

Tuesday

7:00p deceased members of our Parish Family

Wednesday – No Daily Mass at St. Dorothea

8:30a at Precious Blood

Wednesday – Christmas Eve

2:30p deceased members of our parish family

4:00p Mario DelVecchio

11:00p deceased members of our parish family

Thursday – Christmas Day

9:30a Rachel Savarese & Anna Garguilo

11:00a deceased members of our parish family

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 21, 2025

Friday – Holiday Schedule at St. Dorothea

9:00a deceased members of our parish family

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Saturday, Dec 20, 7p

- Last night of Simbang Gabi followed by Christmas party at St. Dorothea. Fr. Mike presiding.

Wednesday Dec 24 & Thursday Dec 25

- Christmas Masses. See schedule on last page.

Friday Holiday Daily Masses: Dec 26 & Jan 2

- The Fridays which are the day after Christmas and the day after New Years are holidays. The offices will be closed. **Daily Mass both Fridays will be at 9 AM at St. Dorothea.**

Wednesday Dec 24 & Thursday Dec 25

- Christmas Masses. See schedule on last page.

Sunday, Jan 11

- Three Kings presentation of our combined Rel. Ed. programs, 1p at St. Dorothea

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

This Sunday, Dec 21, 4 PM

St. Dorothea Church

Come enjoy a festival of carols from the combined choirs of St. Dorothea's Church Choir; St. Dorothea's Young Servants of the Lord; St. Dorothea's Filipino Choir; Precious Blood Church; St. Leo the Great Church; and the Choraliers of Eatontown; with the Handbell Choir of St. Dorothea. Free to attend.

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 DAILY MASS

- 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.

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTION

- **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.

Donations to St. Vincent de Paul can be made any time during the year by putting a donation in the slot of the wall-safe in the back of the church.

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

IN THE NEWS

U.S. Bishops at their yearly meeting have put out a statement on the treatment of immigrants. Read the statement here:

tinyurl.com/USBishopsImmigrants

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

ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

7p, in Francis Room at Precious Blood

Mondays, Jan 12

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.

Women’s Annual Retreat

Weekend of Jan 23, 24 & 25

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The topic will be: *“Accepting Our Imperfections & Limitations Without Fear.”* The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office (32-222-4756 to make a reservation.

Men’s Retreat

Weekend of Jan 30-Feb 1

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The topic will be *The Prodigal Son*. The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office 732-222-4756 to make a reservation.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, Jan 16, 12:30 – 6:30 PM

There were 271 units collected the previous Friday. Thanks to all who gave! 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP

The Society is looking for a volunteer interested in learning to manage our charitable assistance software to monitor the help we give to the poor. Other volunteer opportunities are also available, and help is greatly needed in certain areas to keep our organization moving forward. Please call our intake line at 732-939-6225 and leave your name and phone number so we can call to discuss our needs with you. Thank you!

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

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

THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS

The Book of Intentions is for people to write down their prayers and requests and their struggles. As a community, we pray for those intentions at every Mass. Even if you don't write in any of your own intentions, it would be a spiritual gift for yourself and for those who write in their intentions if you would take a moment read those intentions and add those intentions to your own personal prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Our "Mass Intention Book" is open for Mass intentions throughout the rest of 2025 and for all of 2026 for intentions for the dearly departed.

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.

ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA RETREAT HOUSE

Fall 2022 Program

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

FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER

Fall 2022 Program

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**

OCIA JOURNEY GROUP

Are you, or someone you know, contemplating becoming a baptized Catholic, or receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation? If so, we would like to invite you, or someone you know, to call the parish office, or Steve Bulvanoski's cell at 908-675-0015, to let us know that you would like more information about our Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) Journey Group.

One of our team members will be happy to share how the OCIA group can join you in examining the gifts that Jesus gives to us, the wisdom of His Word (the Bible), and what it is like to be a member of the community at Precious Blood parish. We look forward to hearing from you.

RETROUVAILLE RETREAT WEEKEND:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Weekends Feb 6, Jul 31, and Oct 2, 2026

Family Life Center, Malvern, PA

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Reh'-true-veye). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. For more information, or to register, visit www.MarriageHelpDelVal.org All inquiries are strictly confidential.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS

CHRISTMAS & THANKSGIVING THANKS

Thank-you all for your generosity in providing Christmas gifts to those in need from the Giving Trees, and food for the Thanksgiving collection.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

PRECIOUS BLOOD

CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY, DEC 24

2:00p; 3:30p; 11:00p

CHRISTMAS DAY, THURSDAY, DEC 25

9:00a; 10:30a

ST. DOROTHEA

CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY, DEC 24

2:30p Children's Liturgy;

& 4:00p; 11:00p

CHRISTMAS DAY, THURSDAY, DEC 25

9:30a; 11:00a

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays & Fridays after the Masses
& Mon, Dec 22 after daily Mass,
St. Dorothea

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

PRECIOUS BLOOD

WEDNESDAY VIGIL, DEC 31 AT 7 PM

THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 10:00 AM

ST. DOROTHEA

THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 12:15 PM

Please note: Beginning Friday, Dec 26, daily Masses at Precious Blood are suspended until Ash Wednesday. St. Dorothea's daily Masses continue as normal.