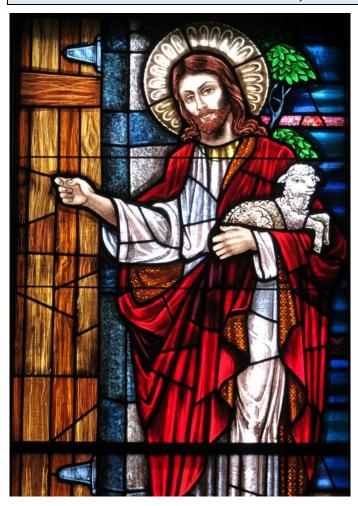
St. Dorothea Church

240 Broad Street ♦ Eatontown, NJ 07724 ♦ 732-542-0148 ♦ [office@] saintdorothea.org Rev. Michael Sullivan, Pastor ♦ Rev. Andrés Serna, Parochial Vicar



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jul 26

4:00p Cheryl Gregory & Adeline & Walter Cherkos

Sunday

8:30a Vincenzo De Rocco

10:00a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Monday

12:15p Thomas Paul Bielecki

Tuesday

7:00p deceased members of our parish family

Wednesday

12:15p the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Thursday

12:15p deceased members of our parish family

Friday

12:15p Alice Bergin

17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JUL 27, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Weekend of Jul 27

- Filipino/English Mass at St. Dorothea's, 3p Sunday (Rosary at 2:30p)
- 2nd Collection for the retirement fund for Religious Sisters and Brothers, and the clergy

Weekend of Aug 10

• Backpack Drive for school supplies for families in need.

PARISH PHONE SYSTEM TO BE FIXED BY THIS WEDNESDAY NOW, THIS MONDAY

The technician who was supposed to install the new phone system changed the date of installation on us. It will now be this Monday. Sorry, again, for the inconvenience.

The phone system for the parish office has been slowly falling apart. First, voice mail messages couldn't be left. Then the auto-attendant (the pre-recorded greeting) stopped playing, Then the phones just stopped ringing. We've contracted for a whole new system. Thank-you for your patience. In the meantime, the best way to contact the office is by email:

office@saintdorothea.org

WALK FOR THE POOR FUNDRAISER

Sign-ups starting weekend of Jul 27 at the doors of the churches Walk takes place on Saturday, Sep 6

St. Vincent dePaul will be registering people to *Walk for the Poor*. Our 14th annual walk will

take place on Sep 7 (Sep 14 rain date), in conjunction with Eatontown Day. We will walk at Wolcott Park – as little or as much as you like. Obtaining pledges sponsors will help us raise funds to assist our less fortunate neighbors. Join us for a day of fun and community service!

LINE DANCING FUND-RAISER

Saturday, Sep 6, 5 – 9 PM St. Dorothea School Gym

"Step into Christmas" is the theme for this fund-raiser to support this year's Simbang Gabi Christmas Novena in December. Food and music included. Advanced tickets are \$20, at the door -- \$25. Call Eugene at 732-822-5963.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK DRIVEWeekend of August 10

To help families in need we will be collecting school supplies and distributing them to organizations that provide aid to families in need. We could use supplies such as:

composition books
highlighters
backpacks
color pencils

2-pocket folders
spiral notebooks
#2 pencils
filler paper

binders folders glue sticks

crayons erasers markers ink pens

Please put backpack drive donations in the main lobby of the church.

TEACHERS WANTED FOR NEXT YEAR'S REL. Ed. PROGRAM

Planning for Religious Education has begun for the 2025-2026 school year. The program is looking for volunteers to help teach classes.

In this current school year, we did not have enough teachers for every grade and class. It is important for children to have in-class sessions and for families to have regular contact with the church community.

So, please consider sharing in the give of spreading the Good News of Christ to the next generation. We are recruiting this early so that we can provide you with the training you need, and to even to give you an opportunity to sit in and watch a religious ed. class in progress way before the next school-year starts in the Fall.

If you're interested in helping, please contact Deacon John at **jnotaro32@gmail.com**. The major requirement is a desire to share the faith with the children of the parish.

EUCHARISTIC 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

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

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.
- \bullet Sacred Heart of Jesus novena 1^{st} Fridays.

JOIN THE HANDBELL CHOIR!

We have openings for two new members, and now is a great time to get involved! As we enter the Ordinary Time cycle, our rehearsals focus on refreshing music-reading and bell-ringing skills through short weekly lessons, along with practicing our hymn repertoire.

No prior experience is necessary—we'll help you learn to read music and develop your rhythm. By late summer, we'll begin preparing for the Advent and Christmas season, so come give it a try and grow with us!

For more information contact the Church Rectory or Carol Partyka.

SUNDAY MASSES OF OUR 'LINKED' PARISHES

PRECIOUS BLOOD	St. Dorothea
Saturday Vigil: 5:30p	Saturday Vigil: 400p
Sundays: 8:00a 9:30a	Sundays: 8:30a 10:00a
11:00a	

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

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.

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- Jul 27 Retirement Fund for Religious & Clergy
- Aug 24 For the poor (St. Vincent de Paul)
- Aug 31 Missionary Appeal
- **Sep 7 –** Catholic Communications

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.

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.

FOOD PANTRY LOOKING FOR HELP

The Food Pantry located at St. Dorothea's is helping out three times the number of people from just five years ago. Consequently, we could use more help. To get involved, please all the parish office.

BEACH MASSES, SUMMER 2025

We have 2 Summer Beach Masses left scheduled to take place at the Monmouth Beach Bathing Pavilion (29 Ocean Ave. N, Monmouth Beach; where Valentine St. meets Rte. 36). The Masses are moved from Precious Blood 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. Bench seating may be wet and is limited – please bring a towel and a chair if you can.

- August 17, 8 AM
- Sep 21, 11a, pot-luck picnic following

RENOVATION UPDATES

New Audio System: A down payment has been made to replace the sound system, which is in a state of increasing failure.

Architectural Landscaping: The strangely shaped Arbor Vitae bushes (thanks to the

deer) have been removed. They are replaced with a more deer-resistant English Laurel bushes to hide the outdoor A/C units. A lot of the mulch that was building up too high has been removed so that rain won't be washing the mulch onto the sidewalks. Also, several large patches of grass have been removed for better water drainage. The plan is for new grass and trees to be part of the landscaping.

New Lighting Package: We're still getting estimates for a new lighting package for the church.

New church roof: The roof replacement is done.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? If you think you might be interested, leave a message on our intake line 732-939-6225 and someone will call you back to discuss volunteer opportunities.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

No Meetings in Jun, Jul, or Aug. Resumes September in Precious Blood parish center

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.

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.

ST. DOROTHEA HEALTH FAIR 2025

September 7 at 9:15-11:30 AM St. Dorothea School Gym

Theme: Spiritual Health
Blood Pressure Screening * Flu Vaccine
Educational Materials * Giveaways * Raffle
Zumba Gold * Tai Chi * Line Dancing

AID FOR THOSE HARMED BY FIRE, DISASTERS, AND WAR

To provide aid for those affected by the flooding and damage caused by hurricanes Helene and Milton, or the fires in Los Angeles, please give to Catholic Charites USA.

https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/

To aid those affected by natural disasters, such as the super typhoon Man-Yi in the Philippines, or by war, outside of the U.S., please give to Catholic Relief Services.

https://www.crs.org/

SAVE THE DATE FOR PRECIOUS BLOOD'S PARISH MISSION

Weekend Masses of Oct 5 Nightly Sessions, Mon-Wed, Oct 6-8

SAVE THE DATE FOR JAN 2026 WOMEN'S & MEN'S WEEKEND RETREATS

Women's retreat: Jan 23, 24 & 25 Men's retreat: Jan 30, 31 & 28