St. Dorothea Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sep 20

4:00p Dorothy D'ambrosio & Gertrude Devaney

Sunday

8:30a John Thul & Betty Paduano 10:00a A.C. David & Jake Monteiro & Marie Lewis

Monday

12:15p Concetta Russo & Catherine McGhee

Tuesday

7:00p Catherine McGhee & Joseph Szenzenstein **Wednesdav**

12:15p Mario Del Vecchio & Catherine McGhee **Thursday**

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25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME SEP 21, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, Sep 28

• English/Filipino Mass 3p, St. Dorothea (2:30p Rosary.

Sunday, Oct 5

• The parish mission at Precious Blood begins this weekend

Week of Sunday, Oct 12

• Fall Faith-sharing groups start.

FALL RELIGIOUS ED. REGISTRATION

Everyone who was part of last year's religious ed. program should have received a mailing (months ago) in order to register this year. Those new to the program, please request a set of forms from Deacon John at <code>jnotaro32@gmail.com</code>. Please include your name, home address, and parish (St. Dorothea or Precious Blood) and a set of forms will be mailed to you. Classes begin in October.

NEW SOUND SYSTEM INSTALLATION

Work for installing the new audio system has begun on Monday, Sep 15 and continues for two weeks. The installation will work around our daily Masses (no work done on the weekends). Adoration on Tuesday is cancelled to give the audio engineers a full day to work on it. Please do not show up early for Daily Mans, nor hang around after. During Mass, the workers take their lunch break and then come back to work. No one should be in the church while it is a construction site. Keep in mind that Precious Blood church is open all day for anyone who wants to stop by and pray.

Exception to the rule: There is a funeral this coming Thursday. There will be no construction work done that day. The same in case of other funerals scheduled. Please see the parish website for the church status.

ROOF LEAKS

The previous week, during the intense rain and wind storm, we found a place over the pews in which there was a leak, and also over the presider's chair in the sanctuary. The leak over the pews was because of the light fixture that goes through the roof and lights up the outdoor cross. It has been resealed.

The leak over the presider's chair came from inside the cupola which had a plastic sheet draped inside it to direct any water that gets into the spire to exit on the sides and onto the roof shingles. Over time, that plastic sheet has sagged and water was collecting and overflowing from it. A new sheet has been installed. During this work, we saw that the metal frames inside and outside the cupula were merely bolted at the joints, leaving gaps, and not creating a strong structure in case of future very strong winds. And so, we've contracted a metal worker to clean up all the metal that's been rusting, apply a metal paintfinisher, and then solder (weld) all the metal to create a stronger structure and keep rain out. This would insure the structural integrity of the cupola for decades to come.

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 NEW JERSEY MASS, RALLY, AND MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, Sep 25, in Trenton

The Mass at the Cathedral is at 9:30, followed by the Rally at the Statehouse Annex at 11:00 AM, followed by the March commencing at Noon, and ending at the Statehouse Annex. ALL are invited and welcome to attend and participate. The walk to the Statehouse is about 10 minutes. For more info:

dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life marchforlife.org/new-jersey/

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **Sep 21** San Lorenzo Ruize Novena. Please put envelopes in the regular collection.
- Oct 19 Military Chaplaincy
- October All Souls Novena (please put in regular collection)
- Nov 16 Campaign for Human Development
- **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.

COME JOIN PRECIOUS BLOOD'S PARISH MISSION

Weekend Masses of Oct 5 Nightly Sessions, Mon-Wed, Oct 6-8, 7p Topic: *Mission of Mercy & Hope*

Presented by: Fr. Kevin MacDonald, a Redemptorist priest from Woburn, Massachusetts. He entered the Redemptorist Missionary Order after attending Boston College and playing 7 years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization and overseas in Holland and Australia. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1991. He is currently assigned to the Redemptorist Community at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ. All are welcome!!

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN EXPOSITION

Temporarily cancelled while church construction is happening.

Mass is still 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.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS Sunday, Oct 12, 2:00 PM

Assumption, St. Isidore site, Wrightstown A Sensory Friendly Mass is designed for all families with children or adults diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder or sensory sensitivities, or other disabilities. This is a regular Sunday Mass, with a flexible environment. After the Mass, we will join for a craft and refreshments. We invite all who are interested as a participating family or volunteer to attend our Mass. For more info and to RSVP, contact: hisdot2022@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP

The Society is looking for a volunteer to act as administrator for our data base. If you can help, please call our intake line: **732-939-6225** and leave your name and phone number so we can call to discuss with you. Thank you!

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, Nov 21, 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.

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 Charites 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**

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

RAINBOWS FOR ALL CHILDREN Ministry to Children and Families Experiencing Loss or Trauma

Rainbows is a free program that helps children heal after a life altering crisis due to separation, divorce, death, illness, or other family trauma through confidential support groups that helps to foster emotional healing. Rainbows trained facilitators use proven ageappropriate curriculum serving over 3 million

children for 30 years. Support groups form for ages 5-8 years old, 9-12, 13-18, and for parents and guardians.

Participants find support and strategies for healing from loss or trauma, including management of behavioral skills and emotional growth and stability. Monmouth County has two groups meeting 6:30-7:30p: Mondays at Precious Blood, and Wednesdays in Freehold. Please consider participating yourselves, or, referring this program to others, or volunteering.

Enrollment: monmouthrainbows.org
Info: www.rainbows.org
Contact: Carol: 732-841-8456

ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER-DANCE & GIFT BASKET AUCTION

Saturday, Oct 18, 6:30 PM Precious Blood Parish Center

Tickets are \$35 per person which includes appetizers, Italian buffet, soft drinks and dessert. Tickets available next week at the doors of the church or at either parish office.

BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS EVENT Event date: Wednesday, Oct 22, 8a - 11p

The ticket donation is \$5.00, and it offers a 25% discount on most purchases, and the ticket proceeds go directly to SVdP. To purchase a ticket or for additional information, contact Angela Brunelli at 732-542-1634. Also available at the parish offices. Thanks, in advance, for your support! For more info:

boscov.com/friendshelpingfriends

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Resumes in the Fall, 7p, in Francis Room Mondays: Oct 20, Nov 10

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.

BEACH MASS & POT LUCK PICNIC THIS SUNDAY, SEP 21, 11 AM MASS

At Monmouth Beach Bathing Pavilion (29 Ocean Ave. N, Monmouth Beach). The 11 AM Mass is moved from the 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, and the picnic is cancelled. You do not have to attend the 11a Mass to join us for the picnic at noon!

PICNIC POT LUCK FOOD

Signup sheets are in the back of the church. We seek the following from those attending according to your last name, please bring:

A-H: side dish **I-Q**: dessert **R-Z**: appetizer The parish will provide hamburgers, hot hogs, water, and soft drinks. Please bring extra chairs or folding table as it is likely there isn't enough picnic table seating.

PICNIC HELP WANTED

Anyone interested in helping with set up and cooking please contact the parish office.

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Open House: Oct 11 @9a, or, Oct 16 @7p Located in Holmdel. **sjvhs.com 732-739-0800**

MONTHLY BILINGUAL (ENGLISH/FILIPINO) MASS Every 4th Sunday at 3:00 PM St. Dorothea Church

The Mass is celebrated in Filipino and English. Rosary prayer will begin at 2:30 PM. A fellowship luncheon will be served after the Mass. All are welcome!