

Church of the Precious Blood

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PENTECOST MAY 24, 2026

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, May 24

- Filipino/English Mass, 3p, St. Dorothea

Monday, May 25

- Memorial Day. Offices closed. Only daily Mass is at Precious Blood at 9a.

Sunday, May 31

- Outdoor Youth Rosary after the 10a Mass at St. Dorothea's
- SVdP fundraiser at Applebee's.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Monday, May 25, 2026

- Mass: 9 AM at Precious Blood. Historically, there has been a town Memorial Service at 10 AM at the corner of Beach Rd. & Borden St., but couldn't find any information for this year.
- Mass: 10 AM at Woodbine Cemetery, 14 Maple Ave, Oceanport, by the clergy of St. Michael's
- Oceanport annual Memorial Day Parade featuring bagpipers, antique and classic cars, Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, borough sports teams, organizations and more! Step off is at 9:30 am. The Parade route begins on Black Berry Bay Park, up to Port Au Peck, right on Monmouth Blvd.. A brief Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at the conclusion of the Parade at the Firehouse. Bring your chairs and family, line the Parade route.
- Historically, Eatontown has had a 10:30 AM service at Veteran's Plaza in Wampum Park. If rain, moved indoors to Memorial School. But, no information could I find on the town website.

Please note: the 12:15p Mass usually celebrated at St. Dorothea's on Mondays is cancelled this day.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 23

5:30p Marc Rizzo & Joan Caruso

Sunday

8:00a deceased members of our parish family

9:30a Marie Karpeles

11:00a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Monday

9:00a Memorial Day Mass at Precious Blood

Tuesday

8:30a World Peace

Wednesday

8:30a Marie Karpeles

Thursday

8:30a the prayers in our Book of Intentions

Friday

8:30a World Peace

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COLLECTIONS

NEXT WEEK

Thanks to all who have been contributing to our Capital Improvement collections. We have spent tens of thousands of dollars as we have..

- purchased a new stove/oven for the Parish Center
- updated the Parish Center's kitchen fire suppression
- fixed some holes in the church roof through which some critters were coming and going, and we cleaned out that attic area, and put in insulation on the roof and ceiling
- paid the invoice for this year's snow removal for this particularly snow-filled Winter.
- continued to replace fluorescent fixtures with LED fixtures
- replaced the often-not-working Internet infrastructure with a new FIOS-based capacity
- replaced our phone system (which was in the process of literally falling apart)
- repaired gutters and fascia around the garage that were pulled off in the heavy snow

The second collections next weekend and for this year will go toward these projects which also cost in the tens of thousands of dollars to...

- Remediate the swale (drainage ditch) on our property (that was previously on the other side of our fence)
- Put in a new fence on the property line:
- Fix the cracks in our parking lot
- Install new AC units in the All Saints room
- Continue to enhance outdoor lighting around all buildings
- Install safety protocols in the church and Parish Center (e.g., one touch electronic lockdowns, one touch emergency call to police, hardened entranceways, etc...)
- install a garden to supply the Food Pantry
- Get all the buildings power-washed

- more lighting upgrades and fixtures in the church
- repair brick, concrete, and slate steps at all buildings

YOUNG ADULT SERVICE & SOCIAL

June 6, 2026

dioceseoftrenton.org/serviceandsocial

Young adults (18-39) are invited to come together for a meaningful day of service, community building, and lunch. This is a great opportunity to connect with other young adults while giving back.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FLAPJACK FUND RAISER

Sunday, May 31, 8-10 AM

Applebee's in Tinton Falls

**tickets sold at the parish offices
and at Applebee's at the door**

SVdP will be holding a Flapjack Fundraiser at Applebee's. **Tickets are \$15** and include pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, and a beverage. Funds raised will go directly to assisting our neighbors in need. Make checks to "St. Vincent de Paul" and if paying in cash, it would be helpful if you had the exact amount. Please reach out to Jessica 908-963-9055, if you have any questions or would like to purchase a ticket.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR SPAM EMAIL FOLDER

Google email has been flagging our email as "spam" for some people. So, please check your email spam folder and if our email is in there, please flag it as "safe" or "not spam." Thanks!

BISHOP O'CONNELL ON THE POPE, WAR, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Our bishop has made a pastoral statement on the current situation of the Iran War, and the

involvement of the Pope and political opposition to the Pope and Church teaching. Go to: tinyurl.com/BishopApr2026

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering **May 3** \$ 5,410
Offering **May 10** \$ 5,325
Offering **May 17** \$ 4,883

Weekly Averages...

Year of 2024 \$4,999 2025 \$5,257 2026 \$5,404
Jan'26 \$ 4,914 Feb'26 \$ 6,199
Mar'26 \$ 5,393 Apr'26 \$ 5,111

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **May 31 – for Capital Improvements**
- **Father's Day Novena – please put in the regular collection**
- **Jun 28 – Holy Father & World Missions**

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.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

This Friday, Jul 17, 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. **Also, thanks who recently gave – 39 unites were collected!**

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.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

**7p, in Francis Room at Precious Blood
(off for the Summer: Jun, Jul, Aug)**

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.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN AT NJ PRIDE PARADE

Sunday, Jun 7

Our local support group for LGBTQ+ members, families, and friends will be in the 34th Annual NJ Pride Festival & Parade in Asbury Park.

All parishioners are invited to attend the festival and/or march in the parade with us. For more info please contact Faith Ministry members Richard (r.buntzenartstudio@aol.com) or Jeanette- (jeanette@jjaworski.com).

Also: JerseyPride.org

THE GUILD AT ST. DOROTHEA CHURCH IS WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

The Guild was established in 1969 and is dedicated to the Blessed Mother. For the past 60 years, the objective of The Guild has been to be an instrument through which the women of St Dorothea Church serve their parish and the

parish community. We are extending an invitation to Precious Blood welcoming you to join us.

The Guild had overwhelming success teaming with the Precious Blood parish selling Christmas magnets as well as with the volunteers who partnered with St Dorothea's to make over 80 blankets for the Shore Pointe nursing home residents. We look forward to collaboration between both our 'linked' parishes on future endeavors. All are welcome!

For more information, you may contact **Mary Anne Linder 732- 542- 0148** at the St Dorothea Rectory or **Sandy Cosentino 908- 489-9881**.

DEVOTIONS AFTER MASS AT ST. DOROTHEA

- 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

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

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

CONCERT: A MORE PERFECT UNION

Friday, May 29, 7:00 PM

**United Methodist Church of Red Bank
247 Broad St., Red Bank**

Songs by American Composers by The Shrewsbury Corale. Tickets \$25 (\$20 Senior/Student) at door or at:

shrewsburychorale.org

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, 7 PM (starting Jun 11)

Room 1 at Precious Blood Parish Center

For all women who want to learn about the bible, you are invited to our new Women's Bible Studies. We are excited to announce the launch of a women's Bible study group dedicated to exploring the stories and lessons of women in the Bible. This group aims to create a welcoming environment where participants can deepen their understanding of the Bible and strengthen their spiritual connections. Our primary goal is to unite in prayer and provide spiritual support for one another. As we journey together, we will discover our intrinsic value to God and embrace the truth that we are cherished—truly the apple of God's eye. For info or to RSVP by Jun 8 to either

Karen Walsh at thekarensemail@gmail.com
or Marion Maloney at mjmaloney1@yahoo.com
Or, the parish office.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS

Sundays, 2:00 PM

May 31 @ Holy Innocents, Neptune

Jun 14 @ St. Benedict, Holmdel

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 fellowship 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: NorMonHIS@gmail.com